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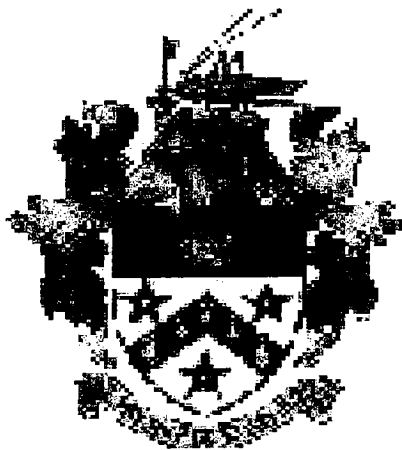
**HISTORY
AND
GENEALOGY**

OF

**ISHAM
GRISSOM**

MISSISSIPPI PIONEER

HIS CHILDREN AND HIS CHILDREN'S CHILDREN



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This book is dedicated to James Henry Grissom.

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Sirs ;

It would please our family to have you add to your collection of family histories the attached copy of a softbound book published in 2001 entitled History and Genealogy of Isham GRISSOM. I am making this donation in memory of my paternal Grandmother, Malvina "Mandy" Grissom Stringer, who was born in Lauderdale County, Mississippi, about the year 1848. Her parents, James Grissom and Sarah Hinton Grissom, moved to Jones County prior to 1860 and Malvina married my Grandfather WADE A. Stringer about the year 1867. Grandfather Wade Stringer served in the Confederate Army.

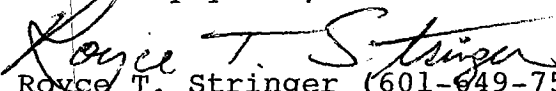
Isham (or Isom ?) Grissom appears to have arrived in Lauderdale County in 1838 or earlier, based upon the few records that are available. There was a large family of children, some having married prior to the move from Troup County, Georgia. Isham Grissom and a son David Grissom are believed to be buried in a cemetery somewhere in the northern end of Lauderdale County. The Grissom children married into Lauderdale County families; e. g., Elizabeth married John R. Murray; Amanda married G. W. Coats; (their daughter married Cody Rayborn and a Granddaughter married Mason Talbert) and Sarah Grissom married John R. Brown.

Four or five of the children of Isham Grissom moved to the Northwest corner of Jones County prior to 1860 but one of the Grandsons, John H. C. Grissom returned to Lauderdale County near the family of his wife's people (she was Harriet Jane ^{HARRINGTON} Harris) and they are both buried in the Mt. Carmel Presbyterian Church Cemetery about four miles north of Baily, Mississippi. (P. 75)

In compiling this family history in 2001, Mrs. Phyllis Grissom, myself, and other cousins were not able to locate any living descendants of Isham Grissom within the Lauderdale County area. We believe there may many such relatives and would very much welcome a note or telephone call from you, in the furtherance of this history of our common forefathers.

We also solicit corrections, if errors should be noted. Our addresses appear at the bottom of page two in the book.

Sincerely yours,


Royce T. Stringer (601-649-7572)

RTS/rs

OUR SPECIAL GRISSOM STORYTELLERS

A special and heartfelt thanks goes to Royce Stringer. Royce began his family search in the 1970s. He has been diligent and ever going the extra mile. He has traveled to Hattiesburg and to Meridian in search of documentation for this family history. Without his support, this book would not have been completed.

Thankyou Royce

Katherine Grissom Gregg has come, and is still coming, once a week to The Cecil Grissom home. She has been the cheerleader that kept Phyllis Grissom at the computer to get this book in readable form.

Thankyou Katherine

I do not thank Royce for the many agonizing days I spent in correcting my many many errors. I do thank him for his hours of proofreading this history. If we can claim any value as a genealogical document, we owe it to Royce Stringer's diligence.

Thank you again
Royce

This 19th day of September 2001
my 80th birthday
Phyllis Norman Grissom



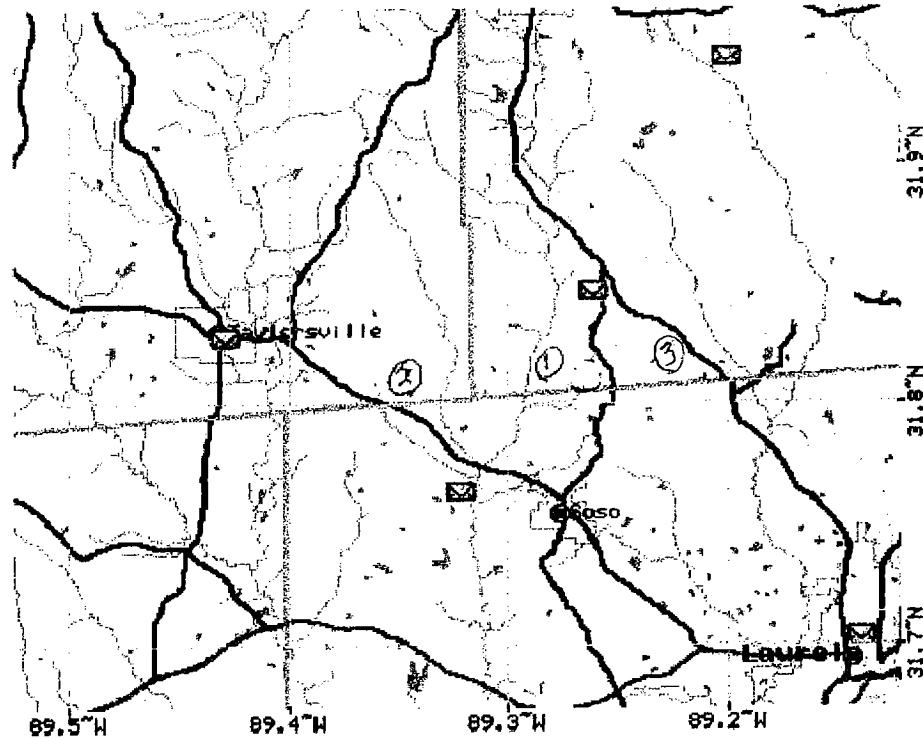
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Royce Stringer.**



The researchers are all related. Their common ancestor is Isham Gresham/Grissom The cousins all live in the Tri-county area of Jasper Jones and Smith counties Mississippi Cecil and Royce both live in Jasper County and Katherine lives in Smith County

- [1] Cecil Grissom's house, Stringer, [2] Katherine Grissom Greggs's house, Summerland
[3] Royce Stringer's, house Stringer



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5. Introduction

This manuscript is divided into two major sections.

Part One THE SEARCH FOR ISHAM GRISSOM

this section contains the family history . This is the history of the family of Isham Grissom as far as it is known. Little biographies are provided for the family members. This section does not stray beyond the founder, Isham Gresham/Grissom. All purported children of Isham Grissom are featured here. The brothers' William born 1819 and James Grissom born 1818 are treated before the other children. William Grissom was the founder of the family residing at Summerland, Smith County Miss. Katherine Grissom Gregg is a descendant of William Grissom. James Grissom was the founder of the family residing at Stringer Jasper County Miss. Royce Stringer and Cecil Grissom are descendants of James Grissom.

Part Two THE SEARCH FOR THE FOREFATHERS OF ISHAM GRISSOM

It was observed on the census records that many of the family members were born in Georgia. James Grissom was born in Georgia in 1818. This information is found on the census records for Jones County Mississippi. His son, George Washington Grissom, Cecil Grissom's granddaddy was born in Georgia in 1840. William Grissom, James' brother, was born in Georgia in 1819. His birth date is recorded on his tombstone. A photo of that tombstone can be seen in the section recording what is known of his branch of the family.

It was concluded that their family had migrated from Georgia to Mississippi.

A hunt was begun to find all information in Georgia. It appears that the family first lived in Jasper County Ga. Their last move in Georgia was to Troup County. It is from here that they began moving further westward. The cousins found that the family first settled in and around Bailey, Lauderdale County Mississippi. They also were found in family groups nearby in Kemper County Mississippi

They found sufficient reason to believe that David Gresham b 1755 in Virginia was the father of Isham. They were led to believe that David Gresham's father was a Phillip Gresham b 1730 in Va. In addition they think that this Phillip is a descendant of an Edward Gresham who appeared in Virginia in 1650 and who may have left England in 1635 bound for St.. Christopher's [St Kitts]

A great deal of research has been done on the forefathers of Isham Gresham/Grissom No clear link has been found to connect Isham Gresham to Edward Gresham, the immigrant.. It is not known if the families researched are the branch to which Edward belongs. However the data gathered on that family is presented in Part Two. The Family Gresham comes from the village of Gresham in County Norfolk England. What ever branch Edward belongs to, it is still the one and the same family.

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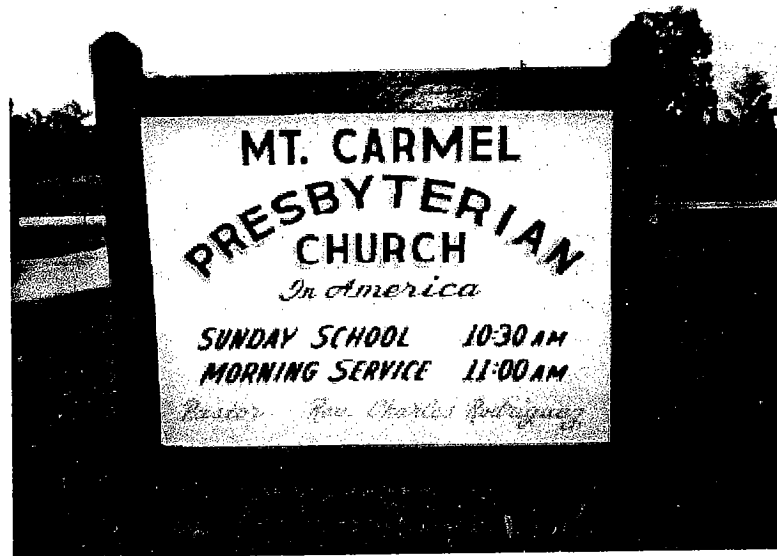
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Part One THE SEARCH FOR ISHAM GRISSOM

The search was actually for "Unknown Grissom". Katherine Gregg and her brothers began their search by sending out a letter of inquiry. Royce Stringer was searching for the family of his grandmother, "Mandy" Grissom. Royce's initial search took him to the early census records for the counties of east-central, Mississippi.

In 1984 Katherine Grissom Gregg and her brothers began a search for their Mississippi forebearers. They called all the Grissoms in the neighborhood. Katherine Gregg called Cecil Grissom. She talked to Cecil's wife Phyllis. No body knew very much of the history of the family. Phyllis Grissom, recalled that her father-in-law told how he was the 5th generation from the Revolutionary War. He also believed that ancestor was named David. He did not know the name of the Grissom who first moved to Mississippi. After some research Katherine and her brothers each sent out copies of the following letter. Royce Stringer also sent letters



Mt Carmel Presbyterian Church, Bailey Mississippi. Bailey Mississippi is located in Lauderdale County. This is where they believe their ancestor Isham Grissom was laid to rest. There are many Grissoms buried here.

[1]CORRESPONDENCE

[A] Correspondence of Katherine Gregg, James and Edwin Grissom

October 5, 1985

Subject Grissom/ Gresham/ Grisham : Ancestry

Dear _____

My family and I have started a search to see if we can determine who our early ancestors were. We have good information that we can tie together from great grandfather to current times. We are hoping someone can provide information that will help piece together the chain prior to 1846. I understand that you have researched this surname and thought maybe you could help us.

Our father's name was William Monroe Grissom born in Jones County, Ms. May 1884. His father's name was Wade M. Grissom born in Ms in 1854. Wade Grissom's father was William Grissom born in Georgia 1819.

Our father William Monroe Grissom lived all his life at Summerland Ms., which is at a line separating Jones and Smith Counties. He married Cordie Belle Rogers. Their children were Perrin Holmes, Katherine Jane, Billie Rose, Wendell Wade, James Henry, Marilyn and Robert Edwin.

Our grandfather Wade M. Grissom also lived all his life at Summerland, Ms. He married Ruth Catherine Stringer in 1874. Their children were Flora Idella, Lula C., William Monroe, Millie, Bertha, Wade Andrew, Docia, Donie O., Ruth, Olivia, Robert C. and Everette C..

The first record we found on our Great Grandfather William was his marriage to Nancy Tubbs [b. 1825 m. 1846], daughter of Jeremiah and Cecilia Tubbs, in Perry County ALA. This was in a listing of Perry County marriages between 1839 and 1851. Next we found him on the Lauderdale County Ms. Tax Roll in 1846 and again in 1851. They were on the Lauderdale Co. census with their one year old son in 1850. He received a land grant in Smith Co in 1854. He lived the balance of his life at Summerland, Ms and died May 16, 1886. Their children were John 1849, Wade 1854, Benjamin 1856, Nathaniel 1858, Robert 1860, Joseph C. 1862, Mary 1864 and Reuben 1868.

We are not sure of our Great Grandfather's given name. We have evidence that it was John and evidence that it was Isham. Who we are guessing it was John Isham. John is on the Kemper Co, Ms, 1850 census as 65 years old living with Elizabeth [65 b. in Ga.], Adeline [21 b. in Ga.], Elizabeth [19 b. in Ga.], and Ellison [9 b. in Ga.]. We have evidence indicating that William's mother or step mother was named Elizabeth. We know William had sisters named Adeline and Elizabeth. A distant relative has a pedigree chart [unknown source] showing William's father's name to be Isham. The 1860 Lauderdale Co, Ms. Census shows an Isham Grissom, 80 years old, living alone but in the dwelling next to David Gresham [43 b. in Ga.] The 1830 Ga. Census shows Isham Gresham in Troup Co. There is an Isom Grissom on the 1820 Ga. Census in Jasper Co.

Some or all of the following were William's brothers and sisters.

Robert	1812
James	1814
David	1817
William [married Nancy Tubbs]	1819
Arrena [married Joshua Hinton]	1822
John	1827
Adeline	1830
Amanda	1832
Elizabeth	1832
Sarah Ann	1838
Ellison.	1841 [Ms.]

Any help that we might receive will be greatly appreciated

Edwin Griissom Route 3 Taylorsville, Ms. 39168

There was another cousin searching for family roots. Royce Stringer retired from USDA Royce served all his years in Atlanta, Ga.. He returned to Mississippi and to his family home in Jasper County. He had a grandmother named Malvina Grissom. She had married Wade Stringer. Royce was having trouble finding; her family. He also had trouble finding her last resting place. On 1 Dec. 1993 Royce called Cecil Grissom. The topic of the conversation was kinship. Royce followed up this telephone call with the following letter:

[B] Correspondence of Royce Stringer

Post Office Box 142
Stringer, Ms. 39481
December 2 1993

Mr. Cecil Grissom
Post Office Box 147
Stringer, Ms. 39481

Dear Mr. Grissom

Thank you for taking some time with me over the telephone last evening to discuss family history. As I stated over the phone, I am the "caboose"[or youngest] of the William Edward Stringer family of nine. I moved to Atlanta in 1961 and just last year completed a thirty-one-year career in the administrative offices of Food and Nutrition Service USDA. I moved back to Jasper County and my pa's old farm house four miles south of the old town of Stringer on Hi way 15.

I am sending with this letter five or more pages of information that I copied from U. S. Census records, in my effort to find out more about my grandmother Stringer. I am told that Wade A. Stringer married "Mandy" Grissom. She died around 1885, with the birth of my Uncle Rufus, I am told. My pa, known by friends as just "Edd" Stringer, was only two at the time he lost his mother. Wade stringer later re-married an "Alice Brown" and they are both buried at Liberty, about a mile East or Northeast of Stringer.

Where is Mandy Stringer buried?

Who were her parents and her brothers and sisters , the latter who would have been [perhaps] a "Jack Grissom," a "George Grissom," maybe, and several others , according to the memory of my mother who lived into her late 80s before passing in 1980. [My mother was Mary Mauldin Stringer]

You mentioned your father's father was a "Jack Grissom" who fought in the Civil War. Perhaps this was my Grandmother Mandy's brother. If I remember correctly, you stated your great-Grandfather may have been a David Grissom. You will note from what I am sending with this letter that a "David Grissom" was living in Lauderdale County [Meridian area] in the year 1850. My notes taken in 1976, show him as age 33 but there does not appear to be a "Jack" listed in 1850 of the right age for Civil War Service. I have speculated that "Mandy" may have been a daughter of a James and Sarah Grissom [see attachments] and that she may have had a brother "John" who was called "Jack" in his adult life.all just guesses on my part, going on the info that my mother left us about Mandy having a brother Jack.

Maybe we can visit one day before long and unravel a little of this family history, as a good way to pass away a cold winter afternoon .

Sincerely
Royce T. "John" Stringer
[Laurel phone 649-7572]

There were many get togethers for these two cousins, Royce Stringer and Cecil Grissom. At some point they recalled the Grissoms over in Summerland and wondered if they were related. They had always thought so. Phyllis remembered that call from Katherine Grissom Gregg back in the 1980s. It was decided that they should call and inquire if there was still interest in the family history.. Katherine was very much interested. The cousins began to work together to trace their common Grissom heritage back in time.

The findings of these cousins are to be found in the following pages. It is the history of a family whose beginnings are to be found with the roaming Vikings the invading Normans, and the first immigrants to these shores, a history that spans the last 1000 years.

When the first Mississippi ancestor turned out to be Isham Gresham/Grissom and his father was a David Gresham, the group felt they were on the right track. It is this line that they have followed in the material that is presented in the following pages.

A letter dated 3 Nov 1982 addressed to Katherine Gregg confirmed what they had come to believe

[C] Correspondence of Mary Talbert

Nov. 3rd 82.

Hi:

Just a line to let you know we have found a family Bible, stating Leon of (Cekam) Grissom married to Elizabeth Maloney Grissom was Amanda Grissom, father + mother there are no dates except Amanda was born in 1831 in N.C.

If Leon Grissom was 25 in 1850 he would have been born in 1785.

I'm inclined to think there was 2 brothers, because I have always been told John + Amanda were 1st cousins I know Sarah Ann was Amanda's sister, but I don't remember any of the others -

I didn't get your telephone no. or your brother, but if I learn any thing will get in touch, you all please do the same.

Mary S. Talbert
P.O. Box 141, Bailey, Va.
39920

[2] THE FAMILY OF ISHAM GRISSOM

The cousins came to the conclusion that **Isham Grissom**, Ensign in the War of 1812 was most likely their common ancestor. He is thought to be the son of the Revolutionary War militia man, **David Gresham** of So. Car. and Ga.. They believe that Isham removed from Georgia and settled in the Kemper - Lauderdale Counties area of Mississippi around 1838. Isham remained in Lauderdale County .

Part of his family came with Isham's wife, Elizabeth to the area of Mississippi known locally as the Tri-County area of Jasper, Jones and Smith Counties, Ms. Part of this area was known as Grissom's Crossing, later Summerland Ms. It was at this time that the Gresham name shows up on documents with "Grissom" rather than the "Gresham" spelling although Isham is listed with both spellings and so noted in

INDEX TO WAR OF 1812

“ Service records for volunteer soldiers from Georgia”.

[1] 1780

Isham Gresham born [Craven Dist. South Carolina. Father thought to be David Gresham b. 1755 in Halifax County Virginia. Information regarding David's birth given by David in his application for a Revolutionary War Pension.

[David Gresham Rev. War Papers S16393.
Published in GAWYSI vol 10 #2 pp52_55 Apr 1995]

[2] 1790

Census for David not found. Estimated census based on census of 1800'
1790 FAIRFIELD COUNTY SOUTH CAROLINA
[Estimation by compiler Phyllis Grissom]

1 male 16-35.....David Gresham Sr.
1 male 0-6..... Isham Gresham [Grissom]
1 male 0-6..... John Gresham
1 male 0-6..... James Gresham
1 male 10-16..... David Gresham
1 female 10-35
1 female 0-6

[This list is mere speculation. There is some doubt that David had a son named David. Some researchers believe that Isham is the oldest son. He would be the male 10_16 in 1790 Isham tells us he was born in 1780. Names for the sons were taken from the summary attached to the Rev. War Papers. See 1780 entry above.]

[3] 1800

Census for David Gresham
1200 FAIRFIELD COUNTY SOUTH CAROLINA
1 male 26-45..... David Gresham Sr.
1 male 16-26..... David Gresham Jr. {?}
1 male 10-16..... Isham Gresham
1 male 10-16..... John Gresham
1 male 10-16..... James Gresham
1 female 26-45..... unknown [believed to be the wife of David Gresham]
1 female 10-16
1 female under 10
1 female under 10
1 female under 10

[The names supplied are mere suppositions. The 1800 Census did not supply the names of children or of spouses. Other researchers believe that Isham Gresham was the eldest child born into this family]

[4] 1810

AN INDEX TO GEORGIA TAX DIGESTS Vol. IV

.1809-1811 Jones County [Georgia] 1811

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Gresham David.....BA/wa.....1810.....308*

Gresham Isham..... SA/wa.....1810.....308*

NOTE David Gresham has moved from South Carolina to Baldwin County Georgia [later Baldwin County becomes Jasper County Georgia] sometime between 1800 and 1810. The above 1810 entry is the first known appearance of Isham Gresham. {There may be earlier entries but they have yet to be found by this group of researchers.} If David is born 1755, then he would have been between 45 and 55 when he made this move.

Isham having been born around 1780 would have been 25 to 30 years old. This entry seems to tell us that at this time. Isham is living in the household of David Gresham. It also suggests a strong family tie between the two men. This groups of researchers strongly suspect that Isham is David's son.

[5] 1812

Robert Gresham born in South Carolina.

He is found with his wife and children in a family cluster on the 1850 Kemper County Mississippi Census.

He is born prior to Isham Gresham's marriage to Elizabeth Marrasonne.

[6] 1812

Isham Gresham Ensign 357th District Co "C" [20 June 1812]

FEDERAL ARCHIVES BUREAU OF PENSIONS Atlanta Branch

1557 St. Joseph Ave.

East point Ga. 3344

NOTE: no other Isham Gresham has been found in this time frame. The cousins believe that this entry refers to The Isham Gresham of this timetable. In addition, they have found 4 references to an Isham Gresham having served in the War of, 1812. He is listed in THE INDEX TO THE GEORGIA VOLUNTEERS OF THE WAR OF 1812. He is listed not only as a Gresham but as Grissom as well. It is so noted in the document .

[7] 1816

Isham Gresham marries Elizabeth "Betsy" Merrosanne 4 July 1816. Richard Kennan J.P.

JASPER COUNTY [GEORGIA] MARRIAGE BOOK pp343-328

NOTE; If the birth date is correct, Isham Gresham is 36 years old at the time of this marriage. Could this have been a second marriage for Isham?

[8] 1817

7 Feb 1817 called to appear before superior court over minor differences: Isham Gresham,; James Gresham; Jonathan Benton, and Allen

Maclean. Defendant Allen Mclane and also served John Gresham, David Gresham.

JASPER COUNTY GEORGIA SUPERIOR COURT Vol. D p86

[9] 181721 July 1817—between James Gresham of Jasper County [Georgia] and Francis Power of same....for \$267.50, ¼ tract of 202 ½

acres, part of lot 45 on waters of Murder Creek, wit: Isham Gresham, Robert Power, signed James Gresham LS...rec. 1817 4 Aug. John

Willis, J.P.jasper county Georgia deed books Drawer 36, Boxes 26-28 8/57

[[10] 1817

An Isham Gresham was in Wilkes County Georgia. Notation was found on a loose sheet in the Gregg papers. No source was found for this entry.

[11] 1817

David Gresham is born. He is found living near Isham Gresham in Mississippi. Naming patterns suggest that this David is named for Isham's father. [If indeed David Gresham b 1755 is Isham's father.]

[12] 1818

James Gresham is born. This James is the great-grand father of Royce Stringer and Cecil Grissom. Royce and Cecil are two of the cousins who are putting together a history of the descendants of Isham Gresham. They have reason to believe that this James is a son of Isham Gresham. [See biography and time line for James Grissom]

[13] 1818

WILL OF JAMES HULLING 19 April 1818

"not endowed with happy intellect to son William support for life"

Friends named in this will were; James Brown, Gilbert Hay and Isham Gresham.

Will book 1818 - 1819 p78

EARLY RECORDS OF GEORGIA Vol. 1 Wilkes County p96

Abstracted Grace Gillian Davidson [Mrs. John Lee]

Published 1933 Reprinted by Rev. Lucas 1968

[14] 1819

William Gresham is born. This William is the great grand father of Katherine Grissom Gregg who with her brothers began the search for the roots of this branch of the Grissom family. Katherine has opened her files to her cousins Royce Stringer and Cecil Grissom

[15] 1820

Jasper County Georgia Census for 1820

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John Gresham.....over 40

Isham Gresham over 26 under 45

[Isham Gresham would be about 40 at this time.

1 maleover 10 under 16.....David Grissom [b 1817]

1 male over 10 under 16..... James Grissom [b 1818]

1 male over 10 under 16 William Grissom [b 1819]

1 female over 26 under 45 Elizabeth Marrasonne

NOTE The Census of 1820 did not contain any name other than the head of the household. By comparing dates on later census records , the birth order for these children can be estimated. Notice David Grissom was born in 1817 . He would have been about three years old at this time, He would have been listed as under 10. James Grissom being born in 1818 should also have been listed as under 10. The same is true for William Grissom. He is born in 1819 William is listed as being born in 1819 on his tomb stone. If this date is correct, then William is not the 3rd child listed. Could it be that Robert is the first child followed by David and James. Their birth order appears to be correct. It would seem that these 3 sons should all be listed as under 10 rather than over 10. The marriage date for Isham and Elizabeth is 1 July 1816. It would seem that no child would be over 10 unless from a previous marriage.

1820 Census Continuedp242

1 male over 16 under 45..... James Gresham p196

1 male over 26 under 45 John Gresham Jr.p214

1 male over 45 David Gresham

NOTE Since no other David Gresham has been found in this time frame. It is assumed that this David is the Revolutionary War veteran, the David Gresham believed to be the father of Isham Gresham Isham Gresham and Isham Grissom are assumed to be the same person

[16] 1820

Land Lottery of 1820 Jasper County Georgia

Name	military district	lot	Section	county
David Gresham	Bentleys	19	3	Habersham
David Gresham	Bartlets	189	10	Irwin
Isham Gresham	Bartlets	105	4	Walton

WILKES COUNTY PAPERS 1779-1833

Robert Scott David

NOTE WAYFARERS IN WALTON "History of Walton County, Georgia 1818-1967 by Anita B Sams also lists Isham Gresham. The entry reads

".....In the 1820 lottery drawing for land in the newly formed county named Walton, these were distributed 250 acre lots" The lot number is 105 [see above] Isham's residence is shown as Jasper County. The land was granted 24 Jan 1821. David Gresham's two parcels are not mentioned in this entry..

[17] 1822

Arena Gresham, is the first daughter born into this family. She will marry Joshua Hammond Hinton . He will appear on the 1839 Tax Rolls for Lauderdale County Mississippi. He appears with Isham, Arena's older brother James Gresham will marry Joshua Hammond Hinton's sister, Sarah Hinton. Arena Gresham is a great aunt of the three cousins; Royce Stringer, Catherine Gregg and Cecil Grissom.

[18] 1822

27 Aug. between David Grisham and Chas. Egerton, both of Jasper County Georgia....\$1000.....100acres on Murder Creek, adj. Land of Benj. Lockhart, Carmichael and Wm. Grisham. Wm. Pearson, 15th dist. Wit.... Isham Gresham, Mat Whitfield, JIC signed David Gresham

[his mark]

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Boxes 24-29 A 330/331

[19] 1825

John Gresham is born. He appears on the 1850 Lauderdale County Mississippi Census. Very little is known about him. He is reported living with someone named Tippee Carue [sp. not certain] If this is an Indian name, John may have acquired an Indian wife. He may have moved westward into Indian Territory. There are family tales of an Indian connection

[20] 1829

Adeline Gresham in born. The family is still in Georgia. Adeline appears on the 1850 Kemper County Mississippi Census.

NOTE In the 1820 Census, this family is in Jasper County Georgia. By 1830 The family has moved to Troup County Georgia. Both Isham and David make this move.. In his deposition [5 16393] David declares

“ from thence to Jasper County [Ga.]
from thence to Pike County [Ga.]
and from thence to Troup County [Ga.]

David does not move directly to Troup County from Jasper County. It is not known if Isham made all of the same moves. Isham may have move to Pike County with David or gone ahead To Troup County. There may be records in Pike County circa 1822-1830 for either David [Sr.] or his son [?] Isham Gresham there appears to be a very strong bond between David and Isham Gresham. A bit of folklore that has passed down through the generation, sadly told, “The family had to leave the 3 old folks behind for they wee too old for the long trip to Mississippi.”... Told by Isham Gresham’s great grand son William “Bill” Grissom [b1880] There may be another reason for the members of the family fleeing Troup County Georgia. A daughter of David’s appears to have been committed to an insane asylum. This incident may go far explaining why David returns to Pike County and Isham moves to Mississippi..[see William son of David]

[21] 1830

TROUP COUNTY GEORGIA CENSUS [1830 census]

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- 1 male.....over 30 under 40..... [Isham Gresham b 1780 age 50]
- 1 male.....over 10 under 15..... [David Gresham b 1817 age 13]
- 1 male.....over 10 under 15..... [James Gresham b 1818 age 14]
- 1 male.....over 6 under 10..... [William Gresham b 1819 age 09]
- 1 male.....under 5..... [John Gresham b 1825 age 4or 6]
- 1 female.....over 30 under 40..... [Elizabeth Marrasonne age unknown]
- 1 female.....over 10 under 15..... [Arena Gresham b 1822 age 8]
- 1 female.....under 5..... [Elizabeth “Betsy” b 1831 age 9]
- 1 female.....under 5..... [Adeline b 1829 age 5]

NOTE

Birthrate designation in this Census does not always agree with ages given in later Census data. The Birth designation of “under” for Elizabeth and Adeline Gresham need further verification. This could have been a mistake in listing the girls in the wrong column.

The TALBERT LETTER give an 1831 birth date for Amanda . If the date is correct Amanda was born after the Census was taken in August. The names added to this chart did not appear on the Census Roll. The only name recorded in 1830 was Isham Gresham as head of house hold. Phyllis Grissom added the other names. She used data taken from later Census records.

NOTE

David and his wife are not living in the same dwelling as Isham. They are close by.

- 1 male.....over 70 under 80.....[David Gresham b 1755 age 80]
- 1 female.....over 60 under 70.....[unknown wife of David’s]
- 1 female.....under 5..... [This child is unknown]

NOTE

Loose sheets in the Gregg files place a Hinton Family in the 180th District Wilkes County Georgia Census pp317-318. This may be the Hinton Family that is related to the Isham Gresham Family.

[22] 1773-1833

Isom Grisham’s name appears in print briefly in a Wilkes County Georgia document. The document is undated. It could be earlier than 1810. Baldwin County Georgia reference taxes assessed cited earlier.[See Entry # 1810 The current reference could be pinpointed with further research/

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[Isom Grisham, this is our Isham Gresham] signed a petition to the Governor [of Ga.] along with several dozen other persons. ”That fines be refunded to Robert Mills and Elijah Clark. That prosecutor’s witness was unreliable” [the exact nature of the fines in not spelled out in the book]

[23] 1831

Elizabeth “Betsy” Gresham is born. The family apparently is still living in Troup County Georgia.. Her birth place is given as Georgia in later Census records. She appears on the 1850 KEMPER COUNTY MISSISSIPPI CENSUS living in a Gresham household with her mother, Elizabeth and her sisters Adeline.

NOTE

Elizabeth Marrasonne [Gresham/Grissom] will be found in later records living in the homes of both Elizabeth Grissom [Murray] and Arena Grissom [Hinton] and other of her children near by.

[24] 1832

Amanda Gresham [Coats] is born in Georgia. She appears on the 1850 LAUDERDALE COUNTY MISSISSIPPI CENSUS in the household #703, the home of Joshua Hinton and Arena Gresham. In 1850 Amanda was 19 years old.

[25] 1837 Sarah Ann Grisham [Brown] is born in Georgia. She appears in the household of her brother William Grisham. In the 1850 LAUDERDALE COUNTY MISSISSIPPI CENSUS, ROLL #375 [24 no house number] Sarah Ann is listed as 12 years old

NOTE

The letter to Katherine Greg Nov3, 1986 from Mary S. Talbert confirms Amanda and Sarah Ann as daughters of Isham and Elizabeth. Elisabeth's surname has been translated into Maloney.

[26] 1838

Isham Grisham appears for the 1st time in the Mississippi records. He is found on the LAUDERDALE COUNTY MISSISSIPPI TAX ROLLS for 1838 "one poll tax .371/2". It would seem that Isham had been in the State for a period of time.

[27] 1839 Isham Grisham appears again on the LAUDERDALE COUNTY MISSISSIPPI TAX ROLLS for the next year of 1839. This is at the least, the second year that Isham has been residing in Mississippi. This time he is taxed for "one poll" David Grison and Joshua Hinton also appear.

NOTE

The above David is thought to be Isham Gresham's son [see the entry for David Grissom]. Joshua Hinton is the husband of Arena Grisham. [see the entry for Arena Grissom]

[28] 1840

David Grissom appears on the LAUDERDALE COUNTY MISSISSIPPI TAX ROLLS for the year 1840. No notation for Isham Gresham by any spelling was found. There is no notation for Joshua Hinton to be found either. Perhaps these two have gone back to Georgia, leaving David to look after things

[29] 1841 Elison Grissom is born in Ms. He is found on the 1850 KEMPER COUNTY MISSISSIPPI CENSUS. It lists an Elison Grissom as 9 years old in 1850. His birth place is given as Mississippi. If Elizabeth Marrasonne is his mother, she was in her early 50s around the time of his birth. If Isham Gresham is his father, he was in or nearing his 60s when Elison came along. Elison fades from the records. He may have died young or he may belong back in Georgia.

NOTE there follow3s tax records for David, William, and James Grissom. No further tax notations have been found for Isham Grissom

[30] 1846-1852

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Isham Grissom is listed on page 571

Isham Grissom is listed on page 552

NOTE

Royce Stringer is researching these entries and the many other citations for other family members.

Isham's appearance on the records place him in Mississippi during the 1840. Elision's birth given as 1841 suggests that other members of the family had moved to Mississippi by this date [There are photostats of many of these documents in Appendix II].

31] 1850

1850 KEMPER COUNTY MISSISSIPPI CENSUS

Dwelling 6 Robert Grisham.....38 b South Carolina [and his family]

Dwelling 7 James Grissom.....32 b Georgia... [and his family]

Dwelling 8 John Gresham 65 b Georgia

Elizabeth . 60 b Georgia

Adeline.....21 b Georgia

Elizabeth.....19. b Georgia

Elison.....9 b Mississippi

NOTE

The birth date of this John and this Elizabeth seem to correspond to the birth years of Isham and Elizabeth Marrasonne. The two girls Adeline and Elizabeth appear with Elizabeth [age60] in later records. There is an Elizabeth who is living with her children in Smith and Jones Counties in Mississippi. No other record is found for a John Gresham of this age and in this family cluster

[32] 1850-1860

During this 10 year span, 5 children of Isham and Elizabeth depart the Kemper-Lauderdale County area and settle near each other in the Tri-county [Jasper, Jones and Smith Counties] area of Mississippi. Other children remain . Isham also stays behind.

[33] 1860

Lauderdale County Mississippi Census for 1860 finds Isham Gresham living beside David Grissom. Isham is 80 yrs old [325/321 & 334/320 Comparing the census records for 1850 and 1860 in Kemper, Lauderdale, and the Tri-County area of Jasper, Jones and Smith counties the movement of the family can be seen.

COUNTY	CENSUS			
	1850	1860	1860	1860
	KEMPER	LAUDERDALE	LAUDERDALE	TRI-COUNTY *
[1] Robert Grissom*	*			
[2] David Grissom		*	*	
[3] James Grissom	*			*
[4] William Grissom		*		*
[5] Arena Grissom		*		*
[6] John Grissom*	*			
[7] Adeline Grissom	*			*
[8] Elizabeth Grissom	*			*
[9] Amanda Grissom		*	*	
[10] Sarah Grissom		*	*	
[12] Elison Grissom *				
[*] Isham Gresham *	*		*	
[*] Elizabeth wife *	*			*

After constructing the above time line for Isham Gresham, it was decided to go ahead using that information to formulate a first generation chart for this family.:Since this is a summary of the above information. There are no citations presented here

THE FAMILY OF ISHAM GRISSOM

First Generation

1. **Isham Gresham/Grissom** was born in 1780 in South Carolina. He died in Lauderdale Co. Ms.. Isham married **Elizabeth Marrasonne (Maloney?)** on 4 Jul 1816 in Jasper Co Ga. Elizabeth was born >1795 in Ga.. She died >1860 in Smith Co Ms
Isham Grissom and **Elizabeth Maloney** [?] had the following children:

- M i. **Robert Grissom** was born >1812.
Robert married **Elizabeth** prior to 1838 in Ga. Elizabeth was born in 1823 in Alabama.
- M ii. **David Grissom** was born in 1817 in Jasper co Ga.. He died before 1880 and was buried in Bailey, Lauderdale Co. Ms. .David married **Minnie**. Minnie died before 1870 and was buried Bailey Ms.
- M iii. **James Grissom** was born about 1818 in Ga. He died after 1880 in Jasper Co Ms. and was buried in Ms. James married **Sarah Ann Hinton**, daughter of John Hinton and Sarah Rebecca Hammond, >1837 in Georgia. Sarah was born in 1817 in S. Carolina. She was buried in Ms. Cecil Grissom and Royce Stringer are descendants.
- M iv. **William Grissom** was born on 7 Dec 1819 in Ga. He died on 16 May 1886 in Summerland Smith Co. Ms. and was buried in Clear Creek Taylorsville Rte 3 Smith Co. Ms.. William married **Nancy E. Tubbs**, daughter of Jeremiah Tubbs and Cecilia, on 18 Aug 1846 in Perry Co Ala.. Nancy was born in 1825 in Perry Co. Ala.. She died in Summerland Smith Co. Ms. and was buried in Clear Creek Taylorsville Rte 3 Smith Co. Ms..Katherine Gregg is a descendant.
- F v. **Arena Grissom** was born in 1822 in Ga. .Arena married **Joshua Hammond Hinton**, son of John Hinton and Sarah Rebecca Hammond, before 1836 in Ga.. Joshua was born on 1 Jan 1810 in Monroe Co. Ga..
- M vi. **John Grissom** was born in 1825 in Ga.
- F vii. **Adeline Grissom** was born in 1829 in Ga. was buried in Summerland Ms.
- F viii. **Elizabeth Grissom** "Betsey" was born in 1831 in Ga.
Betsey married **John R. Murray** on 30 Mar 1853 in Ms..
- F ix. **Amanda Grissom** was born in 1832 in Ga.
Amanda married **G. W. Coats** on 30 May 1866 in Lauderdale Co. Ms.
- F x. **Sarah Grissom** was born in 1837 in Ga. was buried in Bailey Ms.
Sarah married **John R. Brown** on 18 Aug 1854 in Lauderdale Co. Ms..
- M xi. **Ellison Gresham** was born in 1842.

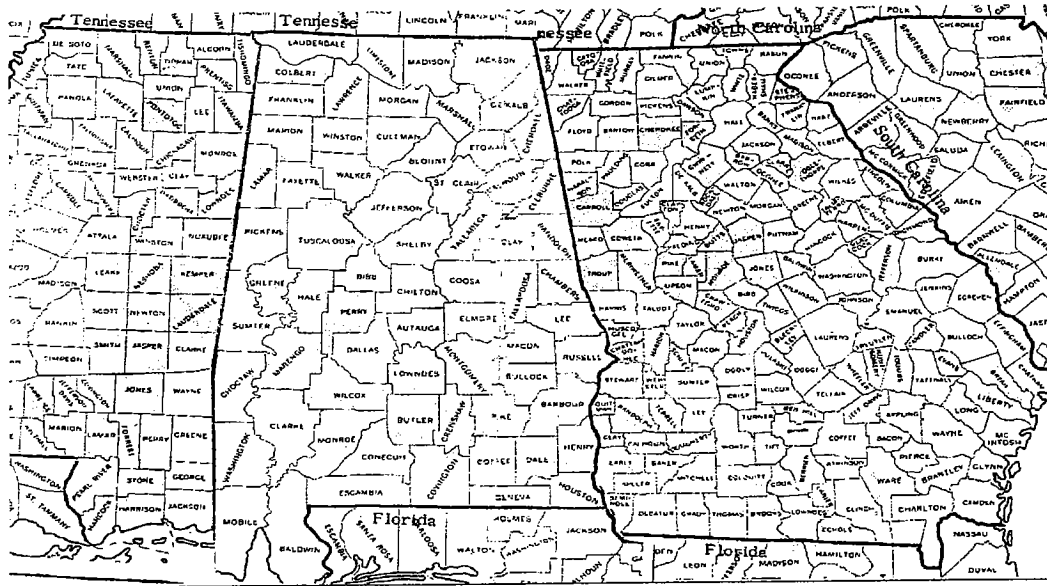
NOTE] It came as a surprise to the cousins to learn that the name that they honored “**Grissom**” was a variant spelling. The original name was **Gresham**. The changing spelling presented a problem. They were not sure how to address this problem.. All their research did not show the name Grissom The Census records for 1850 onward listed the family members as Grissom. However on some documents, as late as the War of Rebellion, the name appears as Grisham. All members of Isham Grissom’s family are listed with the Grissom spelling. There is one exception. The family of George Washington Grissom Jr..reverted to the Gresham spelling. They appear with that name in this document

Early on Katherine Gregg heard of the Gresham newsletter. This newsletter is published 4 times a year. It is called **GRESHAM ANY WAY YOU SPELL IT [GAWYSI]** It is edited and published by Carol Grisham Byrom. A great deal of material in this book came from its pages. It has been a great source. The news letter has used professional genealogists to dig out difficult to find information.

This newsletter has been published since 1984. Most of its many issues have been available to us. We, the Cousins wish to express our gratitude to Carol Byrom. Thank you. You will see GAWYSI as a reference all through this manuscript. It is the shorthand most commonly used to identify this wonderful resource.

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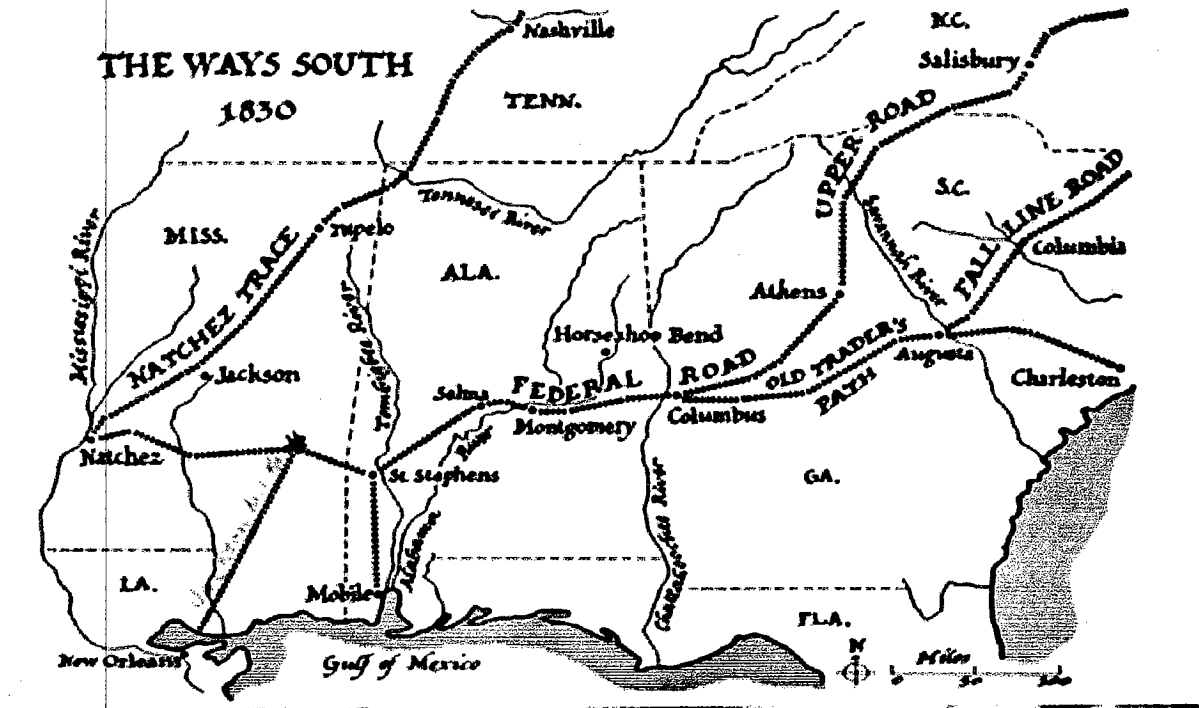
Moving west ward

In order to retrace the movement of Isham Grissom and his family, Katherine Gregg constructed this map. David Gresham moved from South Carolina to Georgia around 1800. He and his family moved steadily westward across Georgia. The family then crossed Alabama. They left David and his wife behind. William Grissom a grandson of David's tarried long enough in Alabama to court and marry. His wedding certificate from Perry County can be found in the Appendix. The shaded boxes are the counties where research was done The counties where this family settled in Mississippi include the cluster of Lauderdale, Kemper, Smith, Jasper and Jones Counties. Some family members moved further West. They migrated all the way to the pacific Ocean and perhaps beyond..

President Thomas Jefferson ordered two roads to be built. The National Road and The Federal Road. You will find the National Road in most school history books. The Federal Road is not referred to very often. In 1803 President Jefferson commissioned the establishment of an east-west road known as the **Federal Road** [also called the 3 chopped way. [It was also a post road.] This road ran from Savannah to Natchez Mississippi. It crossed through Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi. At a place called St. Stephens, it branched. One branch going to Mobile, one to New Orleans and the other to Natchez.. Isham would most likely have used this way when he came to Mississippi before 1838.

They could have traveled with ole Sam Dale. Dale traveled back and forth across the Indian County. He drove wagons from Augusta to Mississippi. He traded with the Indians. He also surveyed the route for the Federal Road. He was getting on in years when the Isham Grissom group came along. He retired to Lauderdale County, Mississippi. This is where family first settled down.

THE FEDERAL ROAD TRAVELED BY THE GRISSOM FAMILY [?]



1796 - Natchez trace used as a post road

1801 - by treaty with the Choctaws & Chickasaws the Natchez trace was open for "safe" travel through indian country

1803 - Jefferson commissions the establishment of an east-west road known as the Federal Road also called The Three chopped way. (also a post road)

1816 - An act of congress April 27 called for a thoroughfare known as the Jackson's Military Road

1820 - Jackson Military Road completed. (now U.S. 11 & I 59)

The section from Natchez to St Stevens became Highway 84.

The Federal Road from Selma east, Highway 80 thence Interstate 20 through Jackson westward.

[3] DEAVORS GRISSOM'S DEPOSITION

FOREWORD TO DEAVORS GRISSOM'S DEPOSITION

In 1945 there was an oil boom in Jones County, Ms and in the surrounding counties. An oil company offered to lease land "owned" by Deavors Grissom. It was discovered that the deed had never been changed. It was land on which James Grissom [son"] of Isham Grissom had settled when he moved to this area. In order to clear the title, Deavors gave a statement naming all the heirs of James Grissom known to him. An edited version of that document appears below. The full document may be found in **Appendix I**

REQUIREMENT

LESTER & WITHER

JONES COUNTY LEASE NO. 15,545

STATEMENT OF HEIRS OF LAW OF JAMES GRISSOM :

I, D. C. or Deavors Charles Grissom, of Taylorsville, Mississippi do hereby certify that, according to our family history and the general reputation of the people of the community wherein I have resided all of my life thus far, I am a blood son of J, B, or James Benjamin Grissom, deceased, who was in turn a blood son of James Grissom, also deceased, I therefore certify that by the same token, I as a blood grandson of James Grissom who bore the same given name of that of my own father. The following statement of the heirs-st-law of my said grandfather, the said James Grissom, is given from my own personal knowledge in some instances, is based upon family bible records in some instances; is based upon court records in instances, and is based upon knowledge that has come to me from other heirs of the said James Grissom In other instances. I do not know the date of the birth of James Grissom [1818 ed] or the date of his death, but do Know that he departed this life while living in Jones county Mississippi either during the year of 1890 or prior there to, The said James Grissom was married to Sally Hinton but I do not know the date of this marriage. If the said James Grissom left a last will and testament I have no knowledge of same, but I do know, according to court records of Jasper County, Mississippi, that letters of administration upon the estate of the said James Grissom were issued to my father J. B. Grissom, by the Chancery Court of Jasper County, Mississippi, on the 30th day of October, 1890, which Letters of administration were recorded in Book 8 at page 35 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of said county and state To the marital union between the said James Grissom and Sallie Hinton Grissom there was born but ten children whose names, approximate dates of birth and death and the names of approximate ages of their children as follows to wit:

[There follows seven pages listing James and Sallie Hinton Grissom's ten children and the further offspring as of 1945 the document ends thus.]

WITNESS my signature this the 1st day Of August, 1945 at Taylorsville Mississippi

D. C. Grissom

[the above copy was retyped by Royce T. Stringer Laurel Ms...Oct 1998 from a poor copy of the original deposition by D. C. Grissom] signed RTS
thence to this copy retyped by Phyllis Grissom March 2000.

**[A] THE FAMILY OF JAMES GRISSOM SON OF ISHAM GRISSOM
THE FAMILY
OF
JAMES GRISSOM**

[David Gresham 1755. Isham Grissom 1780]

1. **James Grissom**¹ the 3rd child and the 3rd son of Elizabeth Marrasonne [Maloney?] and Isham Grissom was born² about 1818 in Ga. He died³ after 1880 in Jasper Co. Ms. and was buried⁴ in Ms. His gravesite is unknown. It is believed that James was married to **Sarah Hinton** prior to 1837. Sarah was the daughter of Sarah Rebecca Hammond and John Hinton. Sarah Hinton was born in South Carolina in 1817. James resided in Georgia before coming to Mississippi. His last residence was a farmstead in Jasper Co Ms.. Before moving to Jasper County, The family lived on Sec 35 Twnshp 10 rng 14 10930⁵ 1854 in Jones County Ms. It is thought this is the parcel referred to in the Deavors Grissom deposition.

By 1850 James and Sarah Grissom were living in Kemper Co Ms, They were living in a family cluster consisting of the homes of Robert Grissom, a John Grissom (believed to be Isham) and James' family

The first four children born into this family were born in Georgia. They were

Sarah Grissom..... . 13

David Grissom..... . 10

George W Grissom... ..09

John Grissom..... .07[birth year 1843?]

John's age suggests that the family was still in Ga. in 1843. If that is the case, there may be an 1840 record of some kind to be found in Ga. What is known is that the family first settled in Kemper Co Ms. They moved from Kemper Co. Ms to Jones County. James and Sarah ended their days in Jasper Co Ms near some of their children.

TIME LINE OF EVENTS IN THE LIFE OF JAMES GRISSOM

- 1818** Birth of **James Grissom** most likely in Jasper county Georgia. He is believed to be the son of Elizabeth Marrasonne(Maloney) and Isham Grissom
- 1819** Isham Grissom family listed on the Jasper co Ga. Census. William Grissom is born. William James' little brother **James** would have been 1 year old. William will travel to The Jasper, Jones, Smith County area of Mississippi with his brother James sometime after the 1850 Mississippi Census is taken.
- 1822** The first sister is born. Her name is Arena. She along with James will marry into the Hinton family. **James** is 4 years old. The family may have moved from Jasper Co. Ga. to either Pike or Troup in Ga. ..
- 1825** Another son is born to Elizabeth and Isham Grissom The family is growing. This son is called John. **James** is 7 years old. William is 6 years old. These two brothers appear to live near each other throughout their lives. 3-year-old Arena seems to follow where these older brothers lead. John does not follow so closely.

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- 1829** Another child is born, this time another girl. She is named Adeline. John, baby for four years no longer occupies that place. **James** is now 11, William 10, Arena 7, John is 4, Adeline is the new baby. Adeline will never marry
- 1830** The Isham Grissom family is found on the Troup Co Ga. Census. Sometime in the 1820 - 1830 time span, this move occurred. **James** is 12 years old.
- 1831** Another sister Elizabeth "Betsy" is born. Adeline just a year younger will in her later live with Betsy. **James** is 13 years old
- 1832** Amanda Grissom is born. **James** is 14 years old, William is 12 And Arena is 10
- 1835** Arena marries Joshua Hinton. If ages are reported correctly, Arena is but 13 years old at this time brother James would have been 17 years old.
- 1836** And our James marries Joshua Hinton's sister Sarah "Sally" Hinton. A brother and sister marry a brother and sister, **James is now 18 years old/**
- 1837** Three babies are born about this time. One is the Aunt to the other two.
Aunt Sarah Ann Grissom is the daughter of Isham and Elizabeth Grissom. She is sister to James and Arena (1) niece and cousin Catherine Hinton, 1st child of Arena Grissom [Hinton]
(2) niece and cousin Sarah Ann Grissom 1st child born to 19 year old **James**
- 1838** The Mississippi Tax Rolls record that James' father Isham Grissom has departed Georgia sometime earlier than 1838 for he appears on the Lauderdale Co. Ms tax rolls on this date. **James** is 20 years old. James has a son. He is named **David**. His place of birth is likely Troup Co. Ga.
- 1840** George Washington Grissom is also born to Sally Hinton and James Grissom. David will die young and without issue. **James** is 22 years old
- 1842** Ellison Grissom who appears in the Isham Grissom household in Ms. is born this year most likely in Georgia. His parentage has not been established. **James** is 24 years old. Time is passing.
- 1843** Another son is born to James and Sally Grissom. He is called John. **James** is 25
- 1846** For the first time James' name appears on the Lauderdale Co. Ms. tax rolls. Since Son John's place of birth is given on various census reports as Ga. It would seem that 1845-46 the likely years when this family moved from Ga. to Ms. **James** is 28 years old.
- 1848** James has a daughter. Malvina Grissom. She is born this year. Place of birth may be Kemper Co. Ms.. This county is next door to Lauderdale Co.. Malvina will wed Wade Stringer and give life to an increasingly large family. **James** is 30.
- 1850** This is a census year. It will give the names of all members in a household. Frances A "Becky" Grissom is born in Kemper Co Ms. Becky will also marry a Stringer. **James** is 32.
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1852 James Benjamin "Snap" Grissom is born to James and Sarah Grissom. It will be Snap's son Deavors who in 1945 will in a deposition set down a great deal of information regarding the children of James Grissom. In 1852 **James** was 34 years old.

1854 Joshua Hinton and James Grissom each receive Federal land grants for lands in Ms. **James** is 36

1856 A son Joshua Grissom is born to Sally Hinton and James Grissom. **James** is 38

1859 A daughter Mary J. Grissom is born. She will be known as Jane Grissom. **James** is 41

1860 A move has been made sometime in the last ten years. The family has moved to Jones Co, Ms. Other family members have also moved into this new area. Among them is Elizabeth Merrasonne (Maloney) Grissom. Isham Grissom has been left behind with other family members in the Lauderdale Co Ms area. Our **James** would be 42 years old.

1860 The family is in Jones Co. Ms. in time for the 1860 census. Daughter Emily Grissom is born in this county. On some records, she is called Emma.

1870 The family is to be found on the Jones Co, Ms, 1870 census. Five of the children are still at home. A war has been raging throughout the countryside these past years and this family has been caught up in it. Both sons, George Washington and John Grisham have seen service in the 8th Ms Infantry. **James** is 52 James may have seen service himself, See Appendix III

1880 By this time James and Sally Grissom are living next door to both their daughter Malvina [Mandy Stringer] Grissom and their youngest son Joshua Grissom. **James** is 62 years old. At this time the record of James' death has not been found nor has it been established just where he and Sarah are buried. Further research is on going. Two sons of James and Sarah "sally" Grissom will be found living at Lauderdale Station, Lauderdale Co. Ms. They both are married and living next door to one another.

Sarah Hinton and James Grissom had the following children:

- F i. **Sarah Ann Grissom** was born in 1837 in Ga. she died young.
- M ii. **David Grissom** was born in 1839 in Ga. died without issue.
- M iii. **George Washington Grissom "Jack"** was born in 1840 in Ga.. He died on 17 Aug. 1920 in Stringer, Ms and was buried in 1920 in Providence Primitive Bapt. Church Cemetery Stringer, Ms..
Jack married **Jane Etheridge** on 7 Jan 1870 in Lauderdale Co. Ms. Jane was born in 1855 in Ms. She died in Jun. 1913 in Stringer, Ms and was buried in Providence Primitive Bapt Church Cemetery, Jasper Co, Ms..
- M iv. **John Grissom** was born in 1843 in Ga. was buried in Lauderdale Ms.
John married **Harriet Jane Harris** on 1 Dec. 1867 in Lauderdale Co. Ms.. Harriet was born in 1850 in Ms..
- F v. **Malvina Grissom** was born about 1848 in Kemper Co Ms. She died about 1885 in Jasper Co. Ms. Her burial place is unknown.

Malvina married **Wade Stringer**, son of James Shepard Monroe Stringer and Priscilla Allen, <1868 in Ms.. Wade was born on 9 May 1843 in Smith Co Ms. He died on 11 Oct 1924 and was buried in Liberty Meth. Ch Cem. Jasper Co .Ms.

- F vi. **Frances Grissom "Becky"** was born in 1850 in Ms. She died on 22 Mar 1919 and was buried in Providence Bapt Ch. Cemetery, Jasper Co. Ms..
Becky married **W. M. Marsh Stringer** prior to 1875 in Ms.. W. M. Marsh Stringer died about 1910 and was buried in Providence Bapt Ch. Cemetery, Jasper Co. Ms..
- M vii. **Benjamin Grissom "Snap"** was born in Aug 1853 in Ms. He died on 5 Mar 1921 in Summerland Smith Co Ms and was buried in Clear Creek Bapt. Church Cem. Smith Co Ms..
Snap married **Abagale "Abbie" Crosby Grissom** about 1895 in Ms.. Abagale died on 24 Jul 1903 and was buried in Clear Creek Bapt. Church Cem Smith Co. Ms..
- M viii. **Joshua Grissom** was born in 1856 in Ms. He died Abt 1923 [1932] in Stringer, Ms. and was buried in Providence Primitive Bapt Church Cemetery Stringer, Ms..
Joshua married (1) **Alice Martin**.
Joshua married (2) **Betty Knight**. Betty died on 30 Jul 1945.
- F ix. **Mary J. Grissom** b1859 in Jasper Co. died about 1918 in Smith County, Mary married **Wyatt Knight**. Wyatt died about 1940 in Jones Co. Ms..
- F x. **Emily Grissom** was born in 1860 in Ms. She died about 1939 in Jones Co. Emily married **Steve Hilbun**. Steve died about 1967 in Jones Co. Ms..

Appendix A - Sources

1. 1850 Census Aug 21, 1850 Kemper Co Ms. Census. ". Households 5,7 and 8 appear to make up a family group. James is found surrounded by other Grissom households.
2. 1860 JONES COUNTY MS. CENSUS, 16 Mar 2000, Royce Stringer Files, Stringer Ms. this record gives James' age as 45. That would give him a birth year of 1815. Other records suggest 1818 as the proper date. We can infer that James was born abt 1818.
3. 1880 Jasper County Census, 16 May 2000. The 1880 Census shows James and Sarah living alone in Jasper Co Mississippi, Children live nearby.
4. Deavors Grissom, **STATEMENT OF HEIRS AT LAW OF JAMES GRISSOM**, unpublished, Cecil Grissom Private Library, Stringer, Ms. It is the descendants of James Grissom that are enumerated in Deavors Grissom's Deposition.
5. H. H. Daniel, **HISTORY OF JONES COUNTY MISSISSIPPI**, Laurel Jones County Genealogical Library , page 88, 16 May 2000, G 929.376 255 D189[h or n - not sure]. " 35 10 14James Grissom.....1884 10930." description of land grant for James Grissom.
6. Mrs Minnie Rynehart Hogan, **RYNEHART LETTER**, 21 July 1932, 29 Jun 2000, Cecil Grissom Private Library, Stringer, Ms. copy of letter addressed to Mr. B. F. Hinton Soso. Mrs Rynehart Hogan lists Sarah Grissom's name as Sarah Rebecca. She also notes that Sarah moved with her brother Joshua to Jones Co. Miss.
7. 1850 Census Aug 21, 1850 Kemper Co Ms. Census, 18 May 2000. Sarah's age and place of birth are listed here



George Washington Grissom, thm , the grandson of Isham Grissom , with his wife, Jane Etheridge The young boy is Albert "Pink" Parrish

[1]George Washington Grissom son of James Grissom [b1840]

**GEORGE WASHINGTON GRISSOM
SON OF
JAMES GRISSOM**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818]

1. **George Washington Grissom** "Jack" the 2nd son and the 3rd child of Sarah Hinton and James Grissom was born² in 1840 in Ga.. He died³ on 17 Aug 1920 in Stringer, Ms and was buried⁴ in 1920 in Providence Primitive Bapt Church Cemetery Stringer, Ms.

Jack served in the military Cpl Co A 8th Ms. Inf. [Yankee Terrors⁵ 1861 - 1864 in the Confederate States of America]..

LOCALE: George Washington Grissom, lived in a number of Places: Georgia, Kemper Co. Ms., Jones Co. Ms. in a tent on the cold ground during the war, Lauderdale Co. Ms. And finally Jasper Co. Ms.

BIOGRAPHY: Before he was 10 years old, Jack came with his family from Georgia to Kemper Co. Ms. The trip by land was over the Federal Road. This road was also known as the Three Chopped Way. And before he was 20, he would be a soldier in the War Between the States.



G. W. Grissom

Jack married⁷ **Jane Etheridge**⁶ on 7 Jan 1870 in Lauderdale Co.

Ms. Jane was born in 1855 in Ms. She died⁸ in Jun 1913 in Stringer, Ms and was buried⁹ in Providence Primitive Bapt Church Cemetery, Jasper Co, Ms..

They had the following children:

- F i. **Mary Alice Grissom** was born in 1873 in Jasper Co Ms..
Mary married (1) **Andrew Parrish**.
Mary also married (2) **Giles Lofton**.
- F ii. **Tyner Grissom** "Aunt Tyner" was born on 29 Nov 1875 in Ms. She died on 22 Nov 1934 in Stringer Jasper co Ms. and was buried in Edon Cemetery Stringer Jasper Co Aunt Tyner married **Belton Costello Musgrove** "Uncle Buddy" in Jasper co Ms..
- M iii. **William James Grissom** "Bill" was born on 25 Aug 1880 in Ms. He died on 22 Feb 1960 in Laurel Ms and was buried in Providence Primitive Bapt Ch Cemetery Stringer
William married **Ebie Jones**, daughter of Albert Jones and Alice McDonald, on 18 Feb 1900 in Stringer Jasper co Ms..
- M iv. **George Washington Grissom Jr.** "Wash" was born on 29 Mar 1884 in Jasper Co. Ms.. He died on 14 Oct 1966 in Stringer, Ms and was buried in Edon Cemetery Stringer, Jasper County, Ms.

Wash married (1) **Addie Elizabeth Buckley** before 1904. Addie was born on 20 Nov 1884.

Wash married (2) **Leila Wright** before 1926. Leila born on 1 Feb 1884.

F v. **Frances Grissom** "Minnie" was born in 1887 in Ms.
Minnie married **Joe Conner** in Ms.. Joe was born about 1887 in Jasper Co

F vi. **Velma Grissom** was born in 1889 in Ms.
Velma married **George HOPKINS** after 1920. George was born about 1889.

Sources

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3. Dr.. Stringer attending phys., George Washington Grissom Death Certificate, 18 May 2000. photo copy of death certificate is extant. It gives the age of George Washington Grissom at the time of death.
4. George Washington Grissom tombstone, 19 May 2000. Tombstone shows birth date and date of death. Tombstone is located in Providence Primitive. Bapt. Church Cemetery, String Ms.
5. George Washington Grissom Muster Roll, 18 May 2000. There are 4 photo copied Muster Rolls. George Washington Grissom is also listed as George Washington Grisham. In addition to the Muster Roll record A photo copy of George Washington's application for a pension has been acquired from the Mississippi Archives in Jackson, Ms.
6. Alice and David Grissom, Jane Etheridge [oral history], 18 May 2000. Both David and Alice have stated that Jane was the daughter of a J. Etheridge C.S.A. who was killed in action. One known brother for Jane was Christopher Etheridge. Both Alice Sumrall and David Grissom recall their grandmother Grissom.
7. **Lauderdale County, Marriage Records - Book 1 - A, Vol 1-A** page 123, Lauderdale Co Ms Courthouse, Meridian Ms.
"Grissom. G. W DATE OF MARRIAGE.....01/09/1870
BRIDE; ETHERIDGE. A. V. J
MARRIED BY.....WATERFORD, R G.
DATE ISSUED.....01/07/1870
BOND BY.....GRISSOM, G. W.
GRISSOM, JOHN, H. C."
Although George Washington Grissom is living in Lauderdale Co. Ms. at the time of his marriage, he will have moved to Jasper County Ms. by the time the 1880 census is taken. It is George Washington's brother John who is noted as bondsman.
8. Alice and David Grissom, Jane Etheridge [oral history], 18 May 2000. Alice Sumrall recalled that her Grandmother Grissom died the summer before her sister Pauline was bore. Pauline Grissom was born 8 March 1914. 1913 appears to be the year of Jane Etheridge's death.
9. Alice and David Grissom, Jane Etheridge [oral history], 18 May 2000. Alice Sumrall stated that her Grandmother Grissom was buried at Providence Cemetery but that there is no headstone for her.



Four of the granddaughters of George Washington "Jack" Grissom. They are the daughters of Wm "Bill" Grissom. L to R Obbie Lena, Allice, Candice and Myrtle

[a] Mary Alice Grissom [Lofton]
MARY ALICE GRISSOM
DAUGHTER OF
GEORGE WASHINGTON GRISSOM

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, James Grissom 1818, George Washington Grissom 1840]

1. **Mary Alice Grissom**, 1st daughter and the 1st child of George Washington Grissom and Jane Etheridge was born¹ 1873 in Jasper Co Ms..

One weekend in the early 1950s, a terrible tornado whipped through the Tri-county area .It was late at night. Ball lightning ran down the fence wires. The next morning Wm James "Bill" Grissom, Alice Sumrall, Little Dorothy Sumrall, Cecil Grissom and his wife drove over by the Lebanon Community to see how Aunt Alice Lofton and her family had survived. Miraculously, the family and home were unharmed. The disaster had struck their neighbors.

Martha English [Billy Joe Sumrall's future bride] lost her paternal grandfather. Chester Lofton found him. He was penned under the debris of his house. He was fatally wounded. Martha also lost her grandmother in the storm.

Alice married **Andrew Parrish**.

Alice Grissom and Andrew Parrish had the following children:

- M i. **Albert Parrish "Pink"**. [Pink died
in the flu epidemic WWI]

Alice Grissom also married **Giles Lofton**

- F ii. **Rosie Lofton Hill**
M iii. **Jack Lofton**
M iv. **Chester Lofton**



Albert "pink" Parrish

Sources

1. Deavors Grissom, **STATEMENT OF HEIRS AT LAW OF JAMES GRISSOM**, unpublished, 17 May 2000, Cecil Grissom Private Library, Stringer, Ms.

[b] Tyner Grissom [Musgrove]

**TYNER GRISSOM
DAUGHTER OF
GEORGE WASHINGTON GRISSOM**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780 James Grissom 1818,
George Washington Grissom 1840]

Tyner Grissom "Aunt Tyner" the 2nd daughter and the 2nd child of Jane Etheridge and George Washington Grissom was born¹ 29 Nov 1875 in Ms. She died 22 Nov 1934 in Stringer Jasper co Ms. and was buried² in Edon Cemetery Stringer Jasper Co. Ms.. Aunt Tyner resided³ in 1945 on Rte three Stringer, Ms. Aunt Tyner married **Belton Costello Musgrove** "Uncle Buddy"⁴ in Jasper Co. Ms.. Uncle Buddy was born 15 Feb 1869. He died 31 Aug 1948 and was buried⁵ in Edon Cemetery Stringer, Jasper County, Ms

Tyner Grissom and **Costello Musgrove** had the following children:

- M i. **Chester Musgrove**⁶ was born 9 Apr 1892 in Stringer Jasper co Ms.. He died 24 Feb 1964 and was buried⁷ in Edon Bapt. Church Cemetery, Stringer, Ms. Chester resided⁸ 1945 in Laurel, Ms..
- F ii. **Lonie Musgrove**⁹ was born 14 May 1894 in Stringer Jasper Co Ms.. She died 14 Dec 1974 and was buried¹⁰ in Edon Bapt. Church Cemetery, Stringer, Ms.. Lonie resided¹¹ 1945 in Soso, Ms.. Lonie Musgrove married **Albert Williams**.
Albert was born 20 Mar 1890. He died 8 May 1938 and was buried¹³ in Edon Bapt. Church Cemetery, Stringer, Ms..
- F iii. **Fannie Musgrove**¹⁴ was born 26 Sep 1895 in Stringer Jasper co Ms.. She died 16 Feb 1948 and was buried¹⁵ in Edon Cemetery Stringer, Jasper County, Ms. Fannie resided with her father¹⁶ 1945 in Rte one Stringer, Ms..
- F iv. **Elsie Musgrove**¹⁷ was born¹⁸ 24 Jan 1895 in Stringer Jasper Co Ms.. Elsie resided¹⁹ 1945 in Laurel, Ms..
Elsie married **Claiborne Atkins**.
- F v. **Annie Musgrove**²⁰ was born 14 Jul 1900 in Stringer Jasper co Ms.. She died 18 Feb 1985 and was buried²¹ in Edon Bapt. Church Cemetery, Stringer, Ms.
Annie resided²² 1945 in Rte. two Summerland, Ms.. Annie married **Emmett King** Emmett was born²⁴ 24 Jun 1897. He died²⁵ 8 Jan 1986 and was buried²⁶ in Edon Bapt. Church Cemetery, Stringer, Ms..
- F vi. **Mildred Musgrove** was born 18 Aug 1904 in Stringer Jasper co Ms.. Mildred married **Oscar WILLIAMS** Oscar was born²⁸ 9 Aug 1899. He died²⁹ 17 Sept. 1972 and was buried³⁰ in Edon Bapt. Church Cemetery, Stringer, Ms..
Oscar resided³¹ 1945 in Rte two Summerland, Ms..

- F vii. **Selice Musgrove**³² was born 12 Sept. 1906 in Stringer Jasper co Ms..
Selice resided 1945 in Rte two Soso, Ms..Selice married **Delbert Valentine**³³
- M viii. **Lester Musgrove**³⁴ was born 22 Feb 1909 in Stringer Jasper co Ms..
Lester resided 1945 in Rte one Stringer, Ms..
- + F ix. **Lou Alice Musgrove** was born 31 Aug 1911 and died 2 Aug 1984. She died on 2 Aug 1984 and was buried at Edon Bapt Church Stringer.
- . Lou Alice married **Monroe Broadway**.
They had the following children:
- M i. **Buddy Broadway** .Buddy married **Peggy**
- M ii. **Jerry Broadway**.
- F iii. **Linda Broadway**
- F iv. **Jamye Broadway**
- F x. **Gladys Musgrove**³⁵ was born³⁶ 8 Oct 1913 in Stringer Jasper co Ms.. She died³⁷ 11 Feb 1992 and was buried³⁸ in Edon Bapt. Church Cemetery, Stringer, Ms..Gladys resided³⁹ 1945 in Rte two Summerland, Ms..
Gladys married **Leland King**⁴⁰. Leland was born⁴¹ 23 Apr 1909.He died⁴² 22 Jan 1990 and was buried⁴³ in Edon Bapt. Church Cemetery, Stringer, Ms.
Leland resided⁴⁴ 1945 in Rte two Summerland, Ms..
- F xi. **Jewel Hilda Musgrove**⁴⁵ was born 12 Mar 1920 in Stringer Jasper co Ms.
Jewel resided 1945 in Rte one Stringer, Ms..
- F xii. **Flossy Belton Musgrove**⁴⁶ was born 3 Dec 1922 in Stringer
Flossy resided 1945 in Rte one Stringer, Ms.
Flossy married **James Price**⁴⁷. James died before 1945.James resided 1945 in Rte one Stringer, Ms..
- F xiii. **Vallie Musgrove**⁴⁸ was born⁴⁹ 1 Jun 1902 in Stringer Jasper co Ms.. She died⁵⁰ 6 Dec 1980 and was buried⁵¹ in Edon Cemetery Stringer, Jasper County, Ms. Vallie resided⁵² 1945 in Soso, Ms..Vallie married **Archie Smith**⁵³.
Archie was born⁵⁴ 23 Nov 1898. He died⁵⁵ 18 Jan 1992 and was buried⁵⁶ in Edon Bapt. Church Cemetery, Stringer, Ms..

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3. Deavors Grissom, STATEMENT OF HEIRS AT LAW OF JAMES GRISSOM, p 2, 2 Oct 2000. The home on route 3 Stringer is no longer lived in.
4. Ibid
5. Jones County Genealogy & Historical Org, Inc., JASPER COUNTY MISSISSIPPI CEMETERIES 1833-1998, page 109, 5 Jun 2000. "Belton Costilla Musgrove 15 Feb 1859 - 31 Aug 1948 Father." B. C. "Uncle Buddy" Musgrove was married to Tyner Grissom.
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8. ibid.
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Jane Etheridge, wife of George Washington Grissom with three of her children. The little girl on the left is Alice Grissom Lofton and the little girl on the right is Tyner Grissom Musgrove. The little boy is William Bill Grissom, the father of Cecil Grissom



WILLIAM "BILL" GRISSOM'S LAND

This is a view of the land where Cecil Grissom and his brother and sisters grew up. It is land that his granddaddy George Washington "Jack" Grissom C.S.A. homesteaded. When William "Bill" Grissom married Ebbie Jones, his "Jack" daddy gave him title to part of his land

Bill's house was directly across this pond. This is a view of Cecil Grissom's front yard. When Cecil retired from the educational field in Miami Fla. He acquired most of the parcel from his siblings. He built his house, here in what used to be a cotton field. His father's house had stood empty for a number of years. It was suffering from neglect.

Cecil got estimates for the cost of restoring the old place. He would have done except the house stood very close to the road. It needed to be moved further back. He decided to build a new house. He chose the high spot in that old cotton field. He had a pond built in front of the new house. This is the view he sees every day.

The County Road is on the far side of the pond.

Neighbors and relatives enjoy fishing in the pond. It is stocked mostly with wide mouth bass, brim and other game fish. It has supplied the fish for a good many local fish fries.

This plot of land used to be a cotton field. The curved plowed rows are still visible under the grass carpet that now covers these old fields. Cecil remembers working in this old cotton field when he was young. He enjoys it more now than he did then

Cecil rescued as many flowers and shrubs from the old homesite as he could. Many of his mother's prize plants disappeared during the years when the house stood vacant. He does have a few crepe myrtle bushes. He also has some flower bulbs. These were replanted on the new site. All in all the new place hold memories of the old for him

“Bill”s” only Grissom grandson wrote:

MY MEMORIES OF MY GRANDFATHER

When I think of my Grandfather, the first thing that comes to mind is his sense of humor. He always seemed to be in a good mood and full of life. I always enjoyed spending time with him. It was fun. He would come to Laurel to the stockyard and would show up at our house real early. He always wanted me to go with him. I don't remember him ever selling or buying anything. We would walk the cat walks above the cattle and look down at the animals. We would usually listen to some of the auction but mostly I think that he just came to talk to the old timers. I would usually be ready to leave long before he was. Then we would go back to my house and he would want me to go home with him. I always wanted to go but my mother would always have many reasons why I couldn't go. He would usually win out and I would go home to Stringer with him to spend the night .

One day we were feeding the cows and he said that I could have one so I picked one out. I don't know if he was really serious or not but I remembered. I am not sure that I even remembered the right cow but over time I was convinced that I knew. Eventually he sold the cow and put the money in the bank for me.

My Grandfather's time with me seemed to have gone so fast. He was ill for several years before he died. I think that I was about twelve. My grandfather taught me how to pick cotton, shuck corn, call and feed the cows. I probably would have never seen a cotton gin if my Grandfather had not taken me. He always loved to have all his family around him on weekends. It was like a family reunion. I wish that he could have lived until I was a little older. I know that he would have taught me a lots more. His last Christmas he came to our house on Christmas Eve. He was old and tired but still loved to be with us. He was a great person to have for a Grandfather. The world was changing fast and smaller farmers would soon be gone. I loved him very much. Sincerely, **Grandson Paul Grissom**

Other granddaughters recall being admonished for walking through the woods from Alice Sumrall's house to Bill Grissom's when they were dressed in blouses and shorts. This was the route usually taken by the family. The roads to and fro made the sides of a triangle. The path through the woods made the base. It cut the distance by 1/3rd But in the 1930s and 40s the older generation was totally shocked to see young ladies sans skirts. As the story is told, the two young ladies were Dorothy Sumrall, Alice Sumrall youngest child and Frances Ishee, daughter of Myrtle Ishee.

FAMILY TREES

400 of 600 unknown soldiers identified

By Bill Parkes
Special to The Clarion-Ledger

Four hundred "unknown" Confederate soldiers buried in Virginia have been identified. In the Warrenton Cemetery is a large monument inscribed with a note that more than 600 unknown Confederate men who died in the battle of Manassas are buried there.

A man doing a search for some Civil War ancestors came upon a list identifying more than 400 of the soldiers. South Carolina had the largest number, but Mississippi is second with 77 names. Many give their birth and death dates. I don't know if this list has been published, but the information about it was sent to me by W. J. "Cape" Caperton, a native of Noxapater. His address is 139 Mosby Circle, Warrenton, VA 20186. Phone: (540) 349-3300, e-mail: capes@erols.com. Perhaps he can tell you what some of the names are.

Hugh W. Saxton (Green Tree Apts. #604, Hattiesburg, MS 39402. Phone: 216-2516) would like to get in touch with descendants of William W. Harper. He was born September 1826, in Virginia. Family stories say that he joined the Union Army and could not

return home in 1863.

He married Anne Patience Buchanan in Georgia in 1860 and moved to Mississippi. They appear on the 1870 census in Wmoma and 1880 census in Yazoo County. William and Anne had the following children: John W. (1870); Mary A. Boyd (1872); Martha Brown (1873); Dixie J. Allen (1874); William (1876); James D. (1879); Henry (1882); David (1887); Joseph (1889); and Myrtle (1895). John W. married Lula L. Shirley, and they had one child, Lula L. Harper, who married L.A. Saxton in June 1919. Hugh Saxton is their son. Would like any information on William W. Harper.

Cecil C. Grissom (P.O. Box 147, Stringer, MS 39481-0147) reports that a history of the Gresham/Grissom family in the Piney Woods of Mississippi is now being compiled. The children of Tom (John) Gresham and his wife, Elizabeth (Susan), are being traced. This family migrated from Georgia to Mississippi in the late 1840s. This group settled in Kemper and Lauderdale counties, and some members later moved on to Jasper, Jones and Smith counties.

The children were: Robert

Grissom (born 1812, North Carolina, married Elizabeth, died in Kemper County); David Gresham (born 1817 in Georgia, married Minnie, died in Lauderdale County); James Gresham/Grissom (born 1818 in Georgia, married Sarah Hinton, died in Jasper County); William Gresham/Grissom (born 1820 in Georgia, married Nancy E. Tubbs, died in Smith County); Arona Gresham (born 1822 in Georgia, married Joshua Hinton, died in Smith County); John Gresham (born 1825 in Georgia, never married, is buried at Summerland Smith County); Elizabeth Gresham Murray (born 1821 in Georgia, married John R. Murray, died in Smith County); Amanda Gresham Coats (born 1832 in Georgia, married G. W. Coats, died in Lauderdale County); and Ellison Gresham (born 1842 in Georgia).

If you are a descendant of Tom and Elizabeth, be sure that your family is included in this new history. Write to Grissom at the above address and enclose a stamped self-addressed No. 10 envelope.

Send your queries to Family Trees, P.O. Box 287, Louisville, MS 39339. No charge for your queries.

This article is from the CLARION -LEDGER of Jackson Mississippi. It circulates all across the state. The family tree column appears each Saturday This ad brought a bit of response. The date of the query was not recorded. It was posted before 2000. There is no e-mail address for Cecil Grissom at that time. Cecil first acquired access to the internet in 2000.

[c] William James Grissom

William James Grissom
son of
George Washington Grissom

[David Grissom 1755, Isham Grissom 1785, James Grissom 1818, George Washington Grissom 1840]

1. **William James Grissom**¹ the 3rd child and the 1st son of Jane Etheridge and George Washington Grissom was born² on 25 Aug. 1880 in Ms. He died³ on 22 Feb 1960 in Laurel Ms and was buried⁴ in Providence Primitive Bapt. Ch Cemetery Stringer, Ms.. William lived on a farm⁵ 1945 in Rte. one Stringer, Ms..



Bill, Ebbie and Baby Myrtle 1903

William Bill Grissom married **Ebbie Jones**, daughter of Albert Jones and Alice McDonald, on 18 Feb 1900 in Stringer Jasper Co. Ms.. Ebbie was born⁶ 14 June 1880 was buried⁸ in Providence Primitive Bapt Church Cem Stringer Ms "Bill" Grissom and his bride-to-be both attended school across the way from Edon Baptist Church. Edon Baptist Church is in the Stringer Mississippi area. Both Ebbie and Bill believed in educating their children. At one time they moved closer to Stringer so that the children could attend the town school..

Bill Grissom was sometimes known as "High Pockets" Alice Grissom [Sumrall] explained that genetically, this branch of the Grissom family tended to be of medium height. It was when George Washington Grissom, Bill's Daddy married Jane Etheridge, that a tendency toward growing taller first appeared.

Ebbie Jones, Bill's wife was a marvelous cook. Her rolls were to die for. Ebbie made among other dishes; sweet potato chips, fried okra that would disappear from the bowl as soon as it was set on the table. Her fried chicken was tender and juicy. There were other dishes too numerous to mention

Bill Grissom loved good conversation. A Summer's night would find him on his front porch discussing politics, philosophy, family lore and humorous tales. When TV came on the scene, he enjoyed the boxing

matches. He would pick either black breeches or white breeches to root for. Bill counted but 5 generations back to his revolutionary war ancestor. He knew that his name was David. He knew that he was from the Carolinas. He knew that it was David's son who came with his family to Mississippi. He knew that he was named after his grandfather. He knew that his grandfather's father was David's son. If he knew his great grand father's name, he did not mention it. His children were able to piece together Bill Grissom > Geo. W. Grissom > James Grissom > Unknown Grissom > David Grissom. [as told by Phyllis Grissom]

DEATH: Bill died on George Washington's birthday 1960. He had been ill and died in the hospital in Laurel Mississippi.

BURIAL: He was buried at Providence Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery Feb 22 1960 Ebbie is buried beside him. Location of this cemetery is Section 3 Township 10 Range 13 West. Take Hwy. 15 north of Laurel. Turn left at CR10 after entering Jasper county and continue two miles to the church. (Jasper County Cemetery Book proofed by Royce Stringer.)

Ebbie Jones and Bill Grissom had the following children:

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- F i. **Myrtle Grissom** was born on 27 Dec 1902 in Stringer Ms. She died on 23 May 1992 and was buried in Liberty Cemetery.
Myrtle married (1) **George Woodrow Morris** about 1926. The marriage ended in divorce.
Myrtle also married (2) **Frank Marion Ishee** on 27 Dec 1933 in Stringer Ms. Frank was born on 19 Aug 1888. He died on 21 Apr 1981 and was buried in Liberty Congregational Methodist Church Cemetery, Stringer, Ms..
- F ii. **Candice Grissom** was born on 16 Jan 1905 in Stringer Ms. She died on 6 Jan 1992 in Laurel Ms and was buried in Providence Primitive Bapt Church Cem Stringer Ms. Candice married Claude Knight.
- F iii. **Alice Grissom** was born in 1908 in Stringer Ms.
Alice married **Ollie J. Sumrall** on 28 Sep 1929 in Ms.. Ollie was born on 14 Feb 1895 in Ms.. He died on 23 Jul 1944 in Stringer Ms and was buried in Edon Cemetery Stringer Jasper Co Ms..
- F iv. **Obbie Lena Grissom** was born on 20 May 1911 in Jasper Co. Ms. She died on 18 Dec 1914 and was buried in providence Prim Bapt Ch. Cem. Jasper Co. Ms..
- F v. **Pauline Grissom** was born in 1914 in Stringer Ms.
Pauline married **Hassel Hinton** in 1949 in Ms.. Hassel was born on 2 Nov 1908 in Ms.. He died on 14 Mar 1978 and was buried in Bay Springs City Cemetery Bay Springs Ms..
- M vi. **David Grissom** was born on 29 Sep 1916 in Stringer Ms.
David married **Dorothy Dombret** in 1945 in England. Dorothy was born in London, England.
- M vii. **Cecil Grissom** was born on 10 May 1919 in Stringer Ms.
Cecil married **Phyllis Elizabeth Norman**, daughter of Bernard C. Norman and Marie Josephine Kennedy, on 28 Jul 1945 in St. Patrick's Rectory Rockford Ill.. Phyllis was born on 19 Sep 1921 in Rockford Ill and was christened in 1921 in St. Mary's Rockford Ill.

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Myrtle Grissom
Daughter of
William James "Bill" Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818. George Washington Grissom 1740,
William James "Bill" Grissom 1880]

1. **Myrtle Grissom** the oldest child and the 1st daughter of Ebie Jones daughter of Alice McDonald and Albert Jones and William "Bill" Grissom son of Jane Etheridge and George Washington "Jack" Grissom was born¹ on 27 Dec 1902 in Stringer Ms. She died 23 May 1992 and was buried² in Liberty Cemetery.

Myrtle Grissom attended school at both Providence and Stringer. After graduation Myrtle went to Jackson, Ms. She attended Business College. She stayed with her Aunt Ida [Jones O'Brien] aunt Ida was the sister of Ebie Jones, Myrtle's mother. Aunt Ida lived at the American Hotel. Uncle Pat O'Brien ran this hotel. Uncle Pat was Aunt Ida's husband. This hotel was located at the western end of Capitol Street. While in Jackson, Myrtle worked at a grocery store. Later a lawyer employed her. In later years, she held several positions. She managed the Stringer School cafeteria.

Frances Ishee wrote of her mother:

"My mother always liked to dress me in pretty clothes. In early childhood and school years, she would have someone to fit and sew my clothes. I remember one day as I was playing in our front yard, Grandpa Grissom. He had some material for me to have a new dress. It was a green background with tiny red apples. Momma had a quilting frame in our fireplace room. Several neighbors would come in. they would all work on quilts. Momma would sew beautifully. She could sew well by hand. she could sew on the pedal driven Singer Sewing Machine. She could make hand-made buttonholes, applique, embroidery and crocheting. She taught me how to embroider and crochet. She taught some other people as well. She continued to crochet for many years. She enjoyed making bedspreads. These were made with multicolored yarns. She made squares that were sewn together.

Momma enjoyed being with her family at every opportunity. We would have great times at our Christmas Celebrations. We would gather at Grandma and Grandpa Grissom's house. All my aunts, uncles and cousins would gather there. Momma her sisters and sisters-in-law would cook at home. They would bring all the special foods for our large delicious Christmas feast.

Momma showed me how to make play houses outside. She showed me how to play other games. She would read to me. She always had time for me. Momma would peel sugar cane from stalks of cane. The cane grew on our farm. She would cut it into small pieces. These were like small pieces of candy. We would enjoy these tidbits on the weekends. We would churn milk in the churn. This would produce fresh butter and buttermilk. We would shell dry corn at the barn. We got that ready for the gristmill in Stringer. Now we would have fresh corn meal.

Momma enjoyed working in our vegetable garden. She loved to grow flowers and shrubs in the yard. Our garden was in our backyard by the barn and pasture. She made all kinds of jam, jellies and preserves. We grew most of our vegetables and fruits. She enjoyed growing large pink Gulf-State tomatoes. They grew on a terrace in the field. She taught me some things about growing potted plants. She belonged to the Home Demonstration Club. In the lat afternoon, we would take walks.

My Momma taught me to love and respect older people. She loved people of all ages, she would baby sit younger children. On Sunday afternoon, we would visit our neighbors. Momma was always helping neighbors with any of their needs. Some weekends we would have family and friends come to visit us. They would enjoy a meal with us. Momma was a good cook. She would cook biscuits and cornbread everyday. Sunday dinner was always special. We would have cakes and pies that she would "make from scratch". She taught me how to cook a good many things. Momma did our laundry by hand. She put them in a large tub. She used a scrub board to scrub them by hand. They were then boiled in the wash pot and hung on the line to dry in the sun. She ironed our clothes with heavy irons. These irons heated by the fireplace.

Momma liked to go to Bay Springs to shop. Sometimes she would go to laurel. She would buy pretty material for both of us. As I became older she would buy our clothes from the department stores. She liked to wear beads. She liked costume jewelry that matched her dress or suit. She used to wear hats and white gloves to church. Pink and lavender were her favorite colors. She also liked red. Momma enjoyed working in the department store in Laurel. She always seemed to work in harmony with her co-workers. Later she enjoyed working in the school cafeteria in Stringer. Momma bought me a second hand piano from Roseberry Piano Co. in Laurel for my 14th birthday. I took piano lesson for a while. Momma loved to listen to me practice. She had me play little songs for visitors. She liked the church songs best of all.

Momma was always active in church work. She went many years to the Methodist Church in Stringer. Many Sundays we would walk from our home to church and back. Momma attended Sunday school, taught Sunday school and was active in UMW as well as other church activities. We would have the preacher for dinner on many occasions. Momma belonged to the Eastern Star for many years.

Frances Ishee Duffy 10 Oct 1998

Myrtle married (1) **George Woodrow Morris** about 1926. The marriage ended in divorce.

Myrtle Grissom and George Woodrow Morris had the following children:

M i. **Woodrow Morris** was born on 2 Feb 1927 in Ms..

Myrtle also married (2) **Frank Marion Ishee**³ on 27 Dec 1933 in Stringer Ms. Frank was born on 19 Aug 1888. He died on 21 Apr 1981 and was buried⁴ in Liberty Congregational Methodist Church Cemetery, Stringer, Ms..

Myrtle Grissom and Frank Marion Ishee had the following children:

+ F ii. **Frances Marie Ishee** was born on 31 Oct 1934.

Frances married⁶ **Bernard Francis Duffy Jr.** on 19 Jun 1959 in Miami, Fla.. Bernard was born⁷ on 21 Jun 1930 in New York.

They had the following children:

F i. **Deborah Jean Duffy "Debbie"** was born⁸ on 8 Nov 1960 in Dade County Fla.. Debbie married⁹ **James Michael Buckhaults** on 19 Jun 1993 in Laurel Mississippi. James was born¹⁰ on 9 Aug 1957 in unknown.

+ F ii. **Janice Marie Duffy "Jan"** (Frances Marie Ishee, Myrtle) was born¹¹ on 8 Nov 1960 in Dade County Fla.. Jan married¹² **Michael Bryant Ruffin "Mike"** on 1 Mar 1986 in Laurel Mississippi. Mike was born on 8 Nov 1960 in unknown. Jan Duffy and **Mike Ruffin** had the following children:

M i. **William Corey Ruffin "Corey"** was born¹³ on 26 Apr 1988 in Forrest County, Mississippi.

+ M iii. **Thomas Patrick Duffy "Tommy"** (Frances Marie Ishee, Myrtle) was born¹⁴ on 14 Jan 1965 in Jones County, Ms.. Tommy married **Renee Peak** on 27 Aug 1993 in unknown. Renee was born on 21 May 1970 in Texas. Thomas Duffy and **Renee Peak** had the following children:

F i. **Katelyn Cierra Duffy** was born¹⁵ on 18 Feb 1994 in Jones County, Ms..

F ii. **Taylor Ashton Duffy** was born¹⁶ on 6 May 1997 in Jones County, Ms..

Sources

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Bill Grissom, Myrtle's father



Bill Gresham, Myrtle's father. David Grissom, his oldest son is on the left. Cecil Grissom, his other boy is on the right. This picture would have been taken in the 1920's. David was born in 1916 and Cecil in 1919

Suppositions

Notes of Royce Stringer July 1999

- [1]...that "Isham" or its var., Isom] Grissom/Gresham was the direct ancestor of the "Grissoms" of Jones, Smith and Jasper Counties, Ms...and, Isham also used the given name "John" and,
[2]...that the marriage in Jasper Co. Ga. 4 July, 1816, between "Isham Grissom and Elizabeth "Merrasonne ?" was the same Isham Grissom and further, that the maiden surname of Elizabeth was not correctly transcribed but should read :Maloney"

Problems/"Circumstantial" Solutions

- [1] No Last will and Testament for "Isham Grissom" has been found, as of July, 1999. Some helpful information, suggestive of his spouse and offspring would be:
- Copy of letter, 3 Nov. 1986 from Mary S. Talbert RR I Box 141 Bailey Ms. 39320, addressed to Katherine [Grissom] Gregg of Summerland, Ms., in which Mary relates "we have found a family Bible, stating Isom or Isham Grissom married to Elizabeth Maloney Grisom was Amanda Grissom's father and mother. There are no dates [in the Bible] except Amanda was born in 1831 in N. C." Mary further reveals, Sarah Ann was Amanda's sister"
 - U. s. Census 1850 Lauderdale Co, Ms...shows an Amanda Grissom, age 18, in the household of Joshua and Arenah Hinton. [other information revealed elsewhere] supports "Amanda Grissom and Arenah Hinton were sisters.
 - Lauderdale Co. Ms...Marriage Book..., 1857 -1867, shows Amanda Grissom married G. W. Coats, 28 May 1866, bonded G. W. Coats/N Kitrell. J. P. was a J. W. Brown
 - Census Kemper Co. Ms., 1850 [very near Bailey Ms] shows households # 6-6 Robert Gresham age 38 and family; also household # 7-7 James Gresham age 32 and family [Sarah age 33/ David 10/ George 9/John 7/ Malvina 2.

AND

household #8-8 John Gresham age 65 born Georgia/ Elizabeth age 60 born Ga/ Adeline age 21 born Ga/Elizabeth age 19 born Ga./ and Elison 9 born Ms./[John Gresham and wife Elizabeth appear to the Isham Gresham and Elizabeth above. This is the only record found assigning the name John where the name Isham was expected to be found. There is no further record of a John Gresham to be found with this family.

e. Isham Grissom's name is missing from the 1850 Ms. Census further supporting Isham operated under the name of John in Kemper Co. Ms., in the 1850 Kemper Co. Census.....U. S. Census 1860 shows two households in Lauderdale Co. Ms. as follows:

Isham Grisham family @ 335/321, farmer, age 80, born in Ga, no others in the household

D. Grisham [looks to be David] next to Isham family #334/320 age 43 farmer born in Ga., plus other family; wife "Winnie" age 44, born Ga/Leatha 21 Ga./ Betty 18 Ms./Prissy 16 Ms./ [beside these families the census taker has written in the words, "doin business" [?] others in the D. Grisham household are Martha 13 and David 7.

f. The 1860 Census for Kemper and Lauderdale have no listing for James Grissom nor for Joshua Hinton. The James Grissom found in the 1850 Kemper Co. Census appears to have moved back into Lauderdale Co briefly after 1850. A land grant shows a James Grissom in Lawrence County at this time [see Appendix] What has become of James and Joshua? By 1860, they are found in the Jones Co. Ms. Census with wives and children names matching out closely to the 1850 Kemper and Lauderdale Co data. Additionally, the Joshua Hinton household, Jones C. has in it an "Elizabeth Grissom" age 65, who would appear to be the wife of Isham. J. H. Hinton and James Grissom are living next door to each other in Jones Co. Households #427 and #428. [continued on page 44]

**CANDICE GRISSOM
DAUGHTER OF
WILLIAM "BILL" JAMES GRISSOM**

Grissom 1840, William "Bill" Grissom 1880][David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, James
Grissom 1818, George Washington

1. **Candice Grissom**¹, the 2nd child and the 2nd daughter of Ebie Jones and William "Bill" Grissom was born on 16 Jan 1905 in Stringer Ms. She died on 6 Jan 1992 in Laurel Ms and was buried in Providence Primitive Bapt. Church Cem Stringer Ms.
Candice married **Claude Knight** on 3 Sep 1921 in Ms.. Claude was born on 11 Jan 1895 in Ms.. He died on 23 Aug. 1978 in Laurel Ms and was buried in Providence Primitive Bapt. Church Cem Stringer Ms.
Candice and Claude moved from Jasper County. They moved to Laurel, Ms. Claude went to work for the Masonite Corp. They resided in a bungalow located on 1st Ave in Laurel Ms.[1940 – 1992]

Candice Grissom and **Claude Knight** had the following children:

- M i. **Hassel Knight** was born in Mar 1925.
Hassel resided 1950 in Coral Springs, Florida.

- F ii. **Juanita Knight** was born on 1 May 1927 in Stringer Ms. She died on 15 Jul 1940 in Stringer Ms and was buried in Providence Primitive Bapt. Church Cem Stringer Ms.

- + F iii. **Naomi Knight** was born on 13 Feb 1930. She died on 30 Aug 1995 and was buried¹ in Providence Primitive Bapt. Church Cemetery Stringer, Ms.
Naomi married Jeffery **Bailey**.

Naomi Knight and **Jeffery Bailey** had the following children:

- + M i. **Jeffery Bailey**. Was the only child of Naomi Knight, and the grandson of Candus Grissom
He had the following children:
 - F i. **Amanda Bailey**.
 - M ii. **Jeffery Bailey Jr**

Sources

1. Jones County Genealogy & Historical Org, Inc., JASPER COUNTY MISSISSIPPI CEMETERIES 1833-1998, Bay Springs Jasper County Public Library, p 396, 2 Oct 2000, Bay Springs Ms. Library, Bay Springs, <s. All information is from this source

¹ Cecil Grissom, Alice Grissom, gave information regarding Candice. [Cecil and Alice are the Brother and sister of Candice Grissom]

Alice Grissom
Daughter of
William James "Bill" Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818, George Washington Grissom
1840, William James "Bill" Grissom 1880]

1. **Alice Grissom** the 3rd daughter and the 3rd child of Ebie Jones and William James "Bill" Grissom was born in 1908 in Stringer Ms.

Alice married **Ollie J. Sumrall** on 28 Sep 1929 in Ms.. Ollie was born on 14 Feb 1895 in Ms.. He died on 23 Jul 1944 in Stringer Ms and was buried in Edon Cemetery Stringer Jasper Co Ms.. Ollie lived on the family farm in Stringer Ms. He served in the military **Pvt. US Army WWI in 149 Inf. 38th Div.** After Ollie's death Alice continued living on the family farm. She raised her two sons and two daughters by herself. Ebbie and Bill Grissom, her father and mother lived near her. They gave her all the support that they could. Her church, Edon Baptist Church was near by. It was a spiritual support for her. Today, Alice at the age of 93, still maintains the same home place. Alice no longer farms. She does like to keep the area around her house filled with beautiful flowering plants..

Alice Grissom and **Ollie Sumrall** had the following children:

- + F i. **Mary Sumrall** was born on 28 Sept. 1930 in Stringer Ms. She died on 19 Sept. 1998 in Memphis, Tenn. and was buried on 21 Sep 1998 in Forest Lawn East, Bartlett, Tenn. Mary married **Rufus Adele Roland** on 20 Sep 1956 in Ms.. Rufus was born¹ on 15 Dec 1922

Mary Sumrall and Rufus **Roland** had the following children:

- + M a. **William Stacy Roland** was born² on 24 Dec 1959.
- + M b. **Glen Mark Roland** was born on 27 Jun 1961 in Dyersburg, Tenn.
Glen Mark Roland had the following children:
- M . **Marco Antonio Roland** was born on 13 Aug 1987 in Mexico City Mex. and was christened on 15 Oct 1987 in Santa Caterina Parish Church, Mexico City Mex.
- M **David Charles Roland** was born on 28 Dec 1989 in Gainesville FL.
- M c. **Rufus Gregory Roland "Greg"** was born³ on 15 Jul 1966.
- M d. **Bryan Keith Roland** was born⁴ on 10 Oct. 1967.
- M ii. **Oliver Glenn Sumrall** was born on 24 Sep 1934 in Stringer Ms. He died on 12 Aug 1981 in Stringer Ms and was buried in Edon Cemetery Stringer Jasper Co Ms.. Glenn served in the military **USAF at Fort Sill Lawton. Oklahoma.**
- + M iii. **Billy Joe Sumrall** was born on 9 Jul 1937 and died on 18 Dec 1988.
Billy also served in the military. He served in the **U S Army.**
Billy married **Martha Helen English** on 11 Dec 1965 in Ms.. Martha was born on 12 Aug 1642 in Ms.

Martha English and Billy Joe Sumrall had the following children:

- M a. **Billy Joe Sumrall Jr. "Joey"** was born in 1966.
- F b. **Kimberly Michele Sumrall** was born in 1969 in Ms..
- M c. **Chad D Wayne Sumrall** was born in 1976.

- F iv. **Dorothy Jean Sumrall** was born in 1941 in Stringer Ms. Dorothy married **James Neal Bickerstaff "Jimmy"** on 30 Dec 1965 in Edon Baptist Church, Stringer Ms.. Jimmy was born on 11 Nov 1939. He died on 14 Dec 1998 and was buried in Memorial Park, Memphis Tenn.

Dorothy Sumrall and **James Bickerstaff** had the following children

- F a. **Leigh Ann Bickerstaff** was born on 29 May 1969 in Memphis Tenn.
- F b. **Laura Ann Bickerstaff** was born on 14 Oct 1977



Dorothy Sumrall

Suppositions [Con'. from page 41]

g. What has become of the other children in the 1850 Isham Grissom household? Elizabeth Grissom age 19 born in Ga per 1850 census is accounted for in Lauderdale Co. Marriage records - she married John R. Murray 30 March 1856. This John R. Murray family then shows up later in Jones Co. near the J. H. Hinton and James Grissom households.[see Murray Cemetery documentation, Eliz. Murray/Eliz. Grissom

h. Published Hinton Family history plus unpublished Grissom research by Katherine Gregg and her two Grissom brothers document the above Arena Grissom Hinton/James Grissom/and Elisabeth Grissom Murray as brothers and sisters [these 3 plus Robert Grissom, David, William, John, Adeline, Sarah Ann, and Ellison. Were all reportedly children of Isham and Elizabeth. Mrs Gregg lists Sarah Ann as having married a John R. Brown [con't on page 53]

**OBBIE LENA GRISSOM
DAUGHTER OF
WILLIAM "BILL" JAMES GRESHAM**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1750, James Grissom 1818, George Washington Grissom
1840, William Bill Grissom 1880.]

1. **Obbie Lena Grissom** the 4th daughter and the 4th child of Ebbie Jones and William "Bill" Grissom was born¹ on 20 May 1911 in Jasper Co. Ms. She died on 18 Dec 1914 and was buried in Providence Primitive Bapt. Ch. Cem. Jasper Co. Ms. Her picture was displayed in a large ornate oval frame. It held a place of honor..

Memory of my sister

In sad and loving memory of
our darling sister and daughter.
Obbie Lena Grissom. She is
very sadly missed by
Mother and Father
Sisters
Myrtle
Candus
Alice
____ **Her place is vacant
Pauline
and also two little brothers
Willie David
and Cecil

In sad and loving memory of our darling sister and daughter, Obbie Leaner Grissom. We had to part from her Dec. 18, 1914. We loved her but Jesus loves her more. Seven sad years have passed since she bid us farewell. A gentle voice said "come" and with farewell, unspoken words she calmly entered home. We trust that she is beneath the soft white clouds. I always think of her in my prayers. Jesus offers us all a chance to greet her smiling face again

They would be delighted to know that the home was once so bright with a sweet little sister that always wore a welcome smile and kind words for all she met.

The angels (have) taken the choice child in our home and I feel that she is at rest. And, may we all be in our days yet to come.

signed by Myrtle Grissom

Transcribed by the oldest sister of the deceased, June 20, 1921

Appendix A - Sources

1. Cecil Grissom, Personal recollection Cecil Grissom, 14 Dec 2000.

Pauline Grissom
Daughter of
William James "Bill" Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818, George Washington Grissom 1840,
William James "Bill" Grissom 1880}

1. **Pauline Grissom**, the 5th daughter and the 5th child of Ebie Jones and bill Grissom was born in 1914 in Stringer Ms. was buried in Bay Springs City Cemetery.

Pauline Grissom and her husband, Hassel Hinton owned and operated the Hinton Motel in Bay Springs,

Jasper County, Mississippi. The business site was a high hill overlooking the town of Bay Springs. Hassel Hinton's mother operated a Bread and Breakfast on the site before the Motel was built. When Pauline retired, the site was sold; a fast food restaurant now occupies the site. The hill was cut down. There is no longer a lookout point above Bay Springs.

Pauline Grissom and Hassel Hinton had no issue.

Pauline married **Hassel Hinton** in 1949 in Ms.. Hassel was born on 2 Nov 1908 in Ms.. He died on 14 Mar 1978 and was buried in Bay Springs City Cemetery Bay Springs Ms..



Hinton Motel Bay Springs Jasper County, Mississippi

Sources

1. Cecil Grissom Oral History.
2. Alice Sumrall's Recollections, 31 Jan 2001.

David Grissom
Son of
William James "Bill" Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780. James Grissom 1818. George Washington Grissom 1840
William James "Bill Grissom 1880]

1. **David Grissom** the 1st son and the 6th child of Ebbie Jones and Bill Grissom was born¹ on 29 Sep 1916 in Stringer Ms.

I was born on September 29, 1916. My mom and dad were 36 years old. I was the 6th child born to them and the 1st boy. I had five older sisters and one younger brother. we lived on a farm 3.5 miles west of Stringer, Mississippi. My granddad had homesteaded 160 acres of land after the Civil War, in which he fought. He gave my dad 40 acres. My granddad's name was George Washington Grissom. My great granddad's name was William James Grissom after whom my dad was named. My dad was called Bill and my mom's name was Ebbie Jones Grissom.



I attended Stringer High School and graduated in 1936. I played football and basketball, but I liked basketball better and was considered a real good player. I always wanted to be a farmer so I could go hunting anytime I wanted. My favorite subject was history and I liked being in all the plays at school. the Great Depression came in 1929 and lasted until the 1940s. A bale of cotton sold for \$25. We grew between ten and fifteen bales a year. Cotton and cross ties were about all we had to sell. We went to Stringer in a wagon to buy our supplies.

I liked my hunting dogs. Old Bruce was the best. Old Sam was a good bird dog. I always had several friends from Stringer to hunt with me. Most people could not tell my brother Cecil and I apart so they called us the Grissom boys [As told by David Grissom]

David married **Dorothy Dombret** in 1945 in England. Dorothy was born in London, England. They had the following child

- + M i. **Paul Grissom** was born in 1948. Paul had the following children
- F i. **Jennifer Ann Grissom** was born unknown.
- M ii. **Steven Paul Grissom** was born in unknown.

Sources

1. David Grissom, **MEMORIES OF WWII**, privately published, repository WAR MUSEUM, Laurel,

Cecil Grissom
Son of
William James "Bill" Grissom

[David Gresham 1755. Isham Grissom 1780, James 1818, George Washington Grissom 1840,
William James "Bill" Grissom 1880]

1. **Cecil Grissom** the 2nd son and the 7th child of Ebbie Jones and Bill Grissom was born¹ on 10 May 1919 in Stringer Ms. Cecil married **Phyllis Elizabeth Norman**, daughter of Bernard C. Norman and Marie Josephine Kennedy, on 28 Jul 1945 in St. Patrick's Rectory Rockford Ill.. Phyllis was born on 19 Sep 1921 in Rockford Ill and was baptized in 1921 in St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church Rockford Ill. ,



Cecil served in the military Cpl. 578th Sig. W. Btl...**13th Army Air Force**² 12 Aug 1942 - 11 Nov 1945 in Pacific Theater. Cecil retired from the education field and returned to Mississippi. He settled on the old home place in Stringer, Miss. He built a home high on a hill in the middle of an old cotton field.

Cecil graduated **1st** from Stringer High school, Stringer Mississippi.

2nd Mississippi College, Clinton Mississippi. He was in attendance at Mississippi College, Clinton, Mississippi. before WW II. He continued his education there on the G.I. Bill after the War. His wife Phyllis Norman attended school with him. They both earned their bachelor degree from this institute.

3rd USM...The University of Southern Mississippi at Hattiesburg Miss. He earned his Master's degree at this school. Phyllis also earned her master's at this school. The Dade County Florida School Board employed Cecil and Phyllis.. In order to attend "Southern" they spent their summer vacations in Hattiesburg.

4th ...He attended both the University of Miami at Miami, and Barry College Miami Shores, Fl. Cecil never applied for his Doctor's Degree, though he was well qualified to do so.

: Cecil lived with his parents before the war. When he was first married he lived in Fresno California. thence to Los Angeles, thence to Rockford Ill., thence to Clinton Mississippi., thence to Oak Bowery Jones County Ms. and from there to Miami Florida. After he retired he returned to Mississippi and to the family home place at Stringer Ms. He is in residence there at this time.



July 29 1945

1. Cecil Grissom Oral History. 2.Cecil Grissom Oral History, 18 Dec 2000

[c] George Washington Grissom Jr.

**GEORGE WASHINGTON JR.
SON OF
GEORGE WASHINGTON GRISSOM**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, James Grissom 1818, George Washington Grissom 1840]

1. **George Washington Grissom Jr.** " the 2nd son and the 4th child of George Washington Grissom was named for his father.

Wash¹ was born² 29 Mar 1884 in Jasper Co. Ms.. He died³ 14 Oct 1966 in Stringer, Ms and was buried⁴ in Edon Cemetery Stringer, Jasper County, Ms.. Wash was a Justice of the Peace⁵ 1960s -14 Oct 1966 in Jasper Co. Ms..

Wash Grissom married (1) **Addie Elizabeth Buckley**⁶ before 1904. Addie was born⁷ 20 Nov 1884. She died⁸ 30 Sep 1957 and was buried in Garden of Memories

George Washington and **Addie Elizabeth Buckley** had the following children



Lois Gresham was born 15 Aug 1904 in Ms.. She died 7 Dec 1989 and was buried in Garden of Memories 4800 Airline Dr. Metairie La.4800 Airline Dr. Metairie La...

Lois married **Weaver Vercher**. Weaver was born 16 Sep 1903. He died 3 Nov 1975 and was buried in Garden of Memories, Metairie, La..



Patricia Gresham was born 15 Jul 1906 in Ms.. She died 17 Jul 1985 and was buried in Garden of Memories 4800 Airline Dr. Metairie La..

Patricia married **Byron King Dodds**. Byron was born 16 Oct 1907. He died 22 Mar 1982 and was buried in Clay City Kansas.



Bradis Gresham was born 10 Nov 1908 in Ms.. She died 1932 and was buried in Ellisville Cem Hwy 29 Ellisville Jones Co Ms.. Bradis married **Colesom Domergue**.



Peggy Gresham was born 28 Aug 1909 in Ms.. She died 11 Nov 1963 and was buried in Garden of Memories 4800 Airline Dr. Metairie La..

Peggy married **Bentura Burgos**. Bentura was born 12 Dec 1912. He died 5 Jul 1980 and was buried in Garden of Memories, Metairie, La.



William Ross Gresham was born 28 Jul 1911. He died 3 Apr 1985 and was buried in Calvary Cemetery Lafayette La.

William married **Beatrice Du Bernard**. Beatrice was born 31 Dec 1912.

They had the following children:

i **Ronald Ross Gresham** Born 24 Sept 1943 married Emily Touchet b Apr 22 1942

ii **Sandra Gresham** b 23 Dec 1947 married Michael Hindelang b 25 Nov 1941

iii **Michael Gresham** b 18 Sept 1951 married Yvette Provender b 6 July 1952



Rose Gresham was born 8 Nov 1913.

Rose married **Salvadore Frank Uddo**. Salvadore was born 26 Dec 1920. He died 29 Jun 1980 and was buried in Garden of Memories, Metairie, La..



Ernestine Gresham was born 2 Jun 1915. She died 23 Jan 1981 and was buried in Garden of Memories 4800 Airline Dr. Metairie La.

Ernestine married **John Victory**. John was born 5 Oct 1912. He died 9 Oct 1981 and was buried in Garden of Memories, Metairie, L



Clinton Nathaniel Gresham was born 2 May 1917. He died 29 Jul 1986 and was buried in Ellisville Cem Hwy. 29 Ellisville Jones Co Ms..

Clinton married **Fannye Blanche Wadsworth** on 4 Oct. 1946. Fannye was born 7 Mar 1917. She died 30 Jun 1976 in and was buried in Ellisville Cemetery Hwy 29 Ellisville Jones Co. Ms.

They had the following children:

i **Mary Elizabeth Gresham** b 8 Sept 1947 married Isaac Marion Anderson b 13 Oct 1949. Beth helped with this book. Thank you Beth.

ii **Carol Ann Gresham** b 17 July 1949 married John Edwin Simpson b 22 Feb 1950

iii **William Bruce Gresham** b 7 July 1951 married Martha Miller b 18 Aug 1950



Calamae Gresham was born 9 Oct 1919.

Calamae married **Carleton George Schilling**. Carleton was born 1 Mar 1915. He died 7 Feb 1990 and was buried in Garden of Memories Metairie, Louisiana.

They had the following child

i **Jan Schilling** b 7 May 1954 married Raymond Richard Price. Jr. b 30 August 1954



Bonita Gresham was born 24 Jun 1921. She died 24 Mar 1942 and was buried in Garden of Memories 4800 Airline Dr. Metairie La..

Bonita married **Lynn Joseph Couret**.

They had the following child

i **Lynn Joseph Couret Jr** b 25 Feb 1941

Juanita Gresham was born 24 Jun 1921. She died 10 Aug 1921 and was buried in Edon Bapt. Ch. Cem., Jasper Co. Ms.

Wash Grissom also married (2) **Leila Wright** before 1926. Leila was born 1 Feb 1884. She died 16 Apr 1963 and was buried in Edon Bapt. Ch Cem. Stringer, Jasper Co. Ms..

They had the following child

M xii. **Pebbles Grissom "Pete"** was born 11 Aug 1926.

Pete Grissom married (1) **Betty Jo Thomason** before 1952. The marriage ended in divorce. Betty was born 16 Dec 1930 They had the following children

i **Leila Grissom** born 6 Oct 1952

ii **Tina Ruth Grissom** born 13 May 1958

Pete also married (2) **Anna Marie Ivey**. Anna was born 14 Apr 1940.



George Washington Grissom [Uncle Wash"] and Addie Elizabeth Buckley, wife.

Notes

1S. Addie Elizabeth Buckley

MARRIAGE: Originally this family name was Grissom However It was changed back to Gresham. The father George Washington Grissom Jr. retained the Grissom spelling while Addie Buckley Grissom and all of her children went under the name of Gresham

11. Bonita Gresham

BIRTH: Bonita was a twin. the twin is the next listed child.

Sources

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2. Jones County Genealogy & Historical Org, Inc., JASPER COUNTY MISSISSIPPI CEMETERIES 1833-1998, Bay Springs Jasper County Public Library, p113, 15 Oct 2000, Bay Springs Ms. Library, Bay Springs, <s.
3. op cit, p113.
4. ibid, p113.
5. Cecil Grissom Oral History, 15 Oct 2000. Cecil Grissom, nephew, was not sure of the exact date of service for his Uncle Wash, but that it was in the 60s.
6. Beth Anderson [granddaughter], FAMILY GROUP SHEET WASH GRISSOM, 15 Oct 2000.
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[d] Frances Grissom [Minnie Conner]

**FRANCES GRISSOM
DAUGHTER OF
GEORGE WASHINGTON GRISSOM**

{David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, James Grissom 1818,
George Washington Grissom 1840}

1. **Frances Grissom** "Minnie" the 3rd daughter and the 5th child of George Washington Grissom was born 1887 in Ms.

Minnie married **Joe Conner** in Ms.. Joe was born about 1887 in Jasper Co Ms.. At one time Aunt Minnie was Postmistress at Stringer Ms. Aunt Minnie moved to Jackson with her daughter Beatrice. When Cecil Grissom, Aunt Minnie's nephew, went to Mississippi College in Clinton, Miss. He often visited his aunt at her home in the Belhaven district of Jackson, Ms.

Minnie Grissom and **Joe Conner** had the following children:

- F i. **Beatrice Conner.**



"Aunt Minnie" on one of her many visits home. Taken at the Hinton Motel Bay Springs, Ms.

Notes

1. Frances Grissom

LOCALE: In 1910 Minnie was postmaster of the Stringer office [1910 - 1912] Minnie later moved to Jackson, Ms where she lived in the Belhaven district. She had a red brick bungalow. Cecil Grissom, her nephew and son of William "Bill" Grissom used to visit her when he was attending Mississippi at Clinton. Minnie liv with her daughter Beatrice.

SUPPOSITIONS [con't. from page 44]

i. Research by Gregg and brothers, suggest finding Isham and his wife went separate ways in their final years [see 1860 census, Lauderdale vs. Jones Co.]; there reportedly was a family quarrel in which one of Isham's sons took a gun after the other - legal documentation of this not yet found.[end of #1 PROBLEMS]

2 [Begin item 2 for Problems] Returning to the problem of the maiden name of Isham's wife, "Elizabeth Merrasone [?] vs. Elizabeth Maloney" the marriage date of 1816 [July 4] Jasper County Ga. Is too late per some accounts of the year of birth of Robert Grissom, listed as the oldest son born ca. 1812. Upon the premise that the Maloney may have been the correct spelling, Ga. Records were checked for the surname of Merrosane and no listing was found. A 14 Jan 1796 entry reads: "Benj J. Mosely, Sr., wife Winnie, children: Mildred, Jonathan, Polley York, Ben. Jr., Wm., Betsey Paradice, Sealley Meroney ...home plantation - 200 acres on Soap Creek, wife Winnie & son Wm. Exec., prob. 1793 Dec, 14 - Wit Sam I. Crawley, Alex Mosely, D. Stoval [Lincoln Co. Ga. - Early Records of Georgia, vol one Wilkes Co. pp 61,62 from the personal files of Carol Grisham Byrom] [con't on page 54]

[e] Velma Grissom [Hopkins]

**VELMA GRISSOM
DAUGHTER OF
GEORGE WASHINGTON GRISSOM**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818, George Washington Grissom 1840]

1. **Velma Gresham** the 4th daughter and the 6th child of George Washington Grissom was born 1889 in Ms. Velmas's grave at Providence Cemetery is un marked

Velma married **George HOPKINS** after 1920. George was born about 1889.

BIOGRAPHY: Velma Grissom Hopkins, the 6th child and baby daughter of George Washington Sr and Jane Etheridge Grissom was married to George Hopkins.

Velma kept house for her father until he passed away in 1920. She then resided with her brother "Bill" Grissom and his family until her marriage.

After her marriage, the young couple removed to his home in the North. Her return home was a sad event for she had died in childbirth. Her sister Alice Grissom Lofton and her brother Bill Grissom carried her coffin to Alice Grissom Lofton's home, where her wake was held. She was buried at Providence Church Cemetery in Jasper County. Her passing was remembered sadly. She had been such a dutiful daughter and a lilting soul. She loved music and had had her own organ to play . . . a very grand one it was.[As told by Alice Sumrall, Velma's niece.]



SUPPOSITIONS [con't. From page 54]

...The name Maloney appears in early Ga. History...several references in Jasper Co. Ga., e. g. "Benj. Maroney [or Maloney ?] married Elizabeth Gresham 7 Feb 1817" per Jasper Co Ga. and "Jarrell Malone, Jasper Co., Ga., drew a land lottery for land in Cobb Co., Ga. Per The First 100 Years Ga. by Temple [book in Jones Co. Lib.] also the book Historical Collections of Ga. by Rev. George White M. A., documents 'Early settlers of Baldwin C., Ga. included a 'Charles Malone' [Bear in mind that Isham Gresham and David Gresham were in household #308 in Baldwin Co. G., according to the Index to Georgia Tax Digest 1809 - 1811

Did Isham marry a dau or other relative of Charles Malone or Maloney?

Historical Collections documents early settlers of Cobb Co., Ga., including a "Samuel and William Malone/Maloney in 1832. Further, a Wm. B. Malone and Lucinda Malone were "charter members of the Concord Bapt. Church Cobb Co., possibly as early as 1823" [Cobb Co in 1999 is the area NW Atlanta, Ga but may have extended further eastward toward Jasper Co. when the first lines were drawn [con't. on page 56]

[2] John Grissom [b1843]

John H. C. Grissom
Son of
James Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818]

1. **John H. C. Grissom** the 4th child and the 3rd son of James Grissom and Sarah Hinton was born in 1843 in Ga. was buried in Lauderdale Ms.

John served in the military **Company F 7th Ms Infantry** 1862 - 1864 in Marion Men. CSA In the War Between the States. He applied for a pension from Lauderdale County Mississippi. He lived in several places. Kemper Co. Ms., Bunker Hill in Smith Co, Ms. and at Lauderdale Station Lauderdale Co. Ms. He stood bond for his brother, George Washington Grissom when George married A. V. J. Etheridge. This marriage took place in Lauderdale Co. Ms. The 1870 Ms. Census finds John H. C. Grissom enumerated in Lauderdale Co. Ms. The 1880 Ms. Census locates John H. C. Grissom and his family with other relatives as near neighbors in Smith Co, Jasper Co. and Jones Co
The 1890 Ms Census is not available
The 1900 Ms Census John H. C. Grissom is abiding back in Lauderdale Co. Ms.
The 1880 Census reads

Grissom John H. C.	m 35 b Ms	smith Co Ms. B#2 Bunker Hill
Grissom Harriet J.	f 30 b Ms.	wife
Grissom John	m 10 b Ms.	son
Grissom, Brint	m 08 b Ms.	son
Grissom Wm	m 06 b Ms.	son
Grissom Alan	m 02 b Ms.	son

TIME LINE:

1843 John H. C. Grissom is born in Troup Co. Ga. [?] to Sarah Hinton and James Grissom

1850 John H. C. Grissom is found living with his parents in Kemper County Ms. John is abt 7 years old.

1860 John H. C. Grissom is found living in Jones County Ms in the household of his parents, Sarah and James Grissom

186- Sometime after the outbreak of the War of Rebellion, John signed up to go be a soldier. He enlisted in Company F 7th Ms. Infantry. C.S.A. this outfit was known as **Marion Men**

1867 By his time the rebellion is over. The soldiers have found their way home. John H. C. Grissom married Harriet J Harrington

1870 Family #137 and #136 page 95 Lauderdale Co. Ms. Census shows George W. Grissom and John H. C. Grissom living side by side i Township 7 Beat 1 Marion Station Lauderdale Co Ms. George "Jack" Grissom and John Grissom are brothers. They are listed as farmers.

1880 John has moved to Smith Co. Ms. He and Harriet are living at Bunker Hill.

1900 Lauderdale Co. Ms. Census shows John 61 and Harriet Jane Harrington 58 b. N. C. with but one child remaining in the home. The child is Willie W. Grissom b 1875

1916 24 July John applied for a pension for his service in the **C.S.A.**

1920 no further records for John.

John married^s **Harriet Jane Harris** on 1 Dec 1867 in Lauderdale Co. Ms.. Harriet was born^e in 1850 in Ms..

They had the following children:

- M i. **John Grissom** was born^e in 1870 in Lauderdale Co. Ms..
- M ii. **Brint Grissom** was born^e in 1872 in Ms..
- M iii. **William Grissom** was born in 1874 and died about 1941.
- M iv. **Alan Grissom** was born^e in 1878 in Ms..
- F v. **Eula Grissom** was born^e after 1880 in Lauderdale Co. Ms..

Sources

1. Deavors Grissom, STATEMENT OF HEIRS AT LAW OF JAMES GRISSOM, unpublished, 4 Jul 2000, Cecil Grissom Private Library, Stringer, Ms. John is listed as child of James Grissom.
2. 1860 JONES COUNTY MS. CENSUS, 17 May 2000, Royce Stringer Files, Stringer Ms. John would have been about seventeen in 1860.
3. J. H. Grissom Civil War Pension Application, 17 May 2000. In 1924, is the date on the application form. John is about 72 years old. It states that he enlisted in the summer of 1862. This is one year after his brother George Washington Grissom enlisted. John enlisted a year after his brother George Washington Grissom.
4. 1880 Smith Co Ms Census, 17 May 2000. According to this record John and his family are living at Bunker Hill in Smith County. John Grissom Jr., his oldest son, is listed as 10 years old. The marriage should have taken place some time prior to that date.
5. LAUDERDALE COUNTY MISSISSIPPI MARRIAGE RECORDS, Book 1 page 436, Lauderdale Co Ms Courthouse, Meridian Ms. John appears to have married 3 years before his brother George Washington Grissom.
6. 1870 Smith Co Ms Census, 17 May 2000, Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers, Taylorsville Ms. Census record lists Harriet as 30 years old and born in Mississippi.
7. 1870 Lauderdale co Ms Census, 17 May 2000. This is David's last appear on a census record. The 1870 census lists the family living in Lauderdale Co. Ms. The 1880 census lists John as being 10 years old. It would appear that his birth year is 1870 and that he was born in Lauderdale Co. Ms.
8. 1880 Smith Co Ms Census, 17 May 2000. Brint is listed as 8 years old on this census record. He was born about 1872.
9. 1880 Smith Co Ms Census, 17 May 2000.
10. 1900 Lauderdale Co Ms Census, 17 May 2000. Record shows John H. C. Grissom.....61 years old. Harriet Jane Harrington.....58 Years old. and one child remaining in the home.
11. 1880 Smith Co Ms Census, 17 May 2000. Birthplace given as Lauderdale Co. Ms.

SUPPOSITIONS [con't from page 54]

2. [con't] Next, does the surname "Merrosane" and "Maloney" and "Malone" find its way into Kemper/Lauderdale Co. Ms.? There is no "Merrosane". However the name "Malone" is prominent in the household of Isham Malone and John Malone. John Malone is age 61, farmer, born Ga. in the 1850 Ms Census. Isham Malone is the younger of the two. He is 38 in 1850. Would the older John [b ca 1789] possibly be a brother to Elizabeth {Maloney} Grissom? Would Isham Malone [b ca 1812] possibly be a son of John Malone or younger brother? Lauderdale Co Land Roll [tax] books reflect Isham C. Malone having approx 400 acres of land in Section 21 and 28, Township 7, Range 16 which is about three miles from Bailey, Ms. 1858 land records show "John Malone estate, sections 22 and 27 and 28 Township 5, Range 14, which is near the sw corner of Lauderdale Co., southwest of Meridian, near the corner that touches Jasper Co. Ms. John held large acres. The read is cautioned, John and Isham may not have been related to Elizabeth [Maloney] Grissom

William Grissom
Son of
John H, C. Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818, John H. C. Grissom 1843]

4. **William Grissom** the 3rd child and the 3rd son born to Harriet Jane Harris and John H. C. Grissom was born¹¹ in 1874 in Lauderdale Co. Ms.. He died about 1941 in Lauderdale Co. William married **Emma Gabriel**¹². Emma died¹³ about 1941 in Lauderdale Co. Ms.. Emma Gabriel and William Grissom had the following children

F i. **Willie Mae Grissom** was born¹⁴ about 1910 in Ms..

M ii. **John R. Grissom** was born¹⁵ about 1912 in Ms..

M iii. **Wilson Grissom** was born¹⁶ about 1914 in Ms..

[In a telephone conversation 23 Nov 1886 Frances, Wife of Wilson said that 20 years ago Wilson, James Grissom and Lester Welch traced the family back some 4-5 generations. A copy of this research has not been found Ed]

F iv. **Atta Belle Grissom** was born¹⁷ about 1922 in Ms..

M v. **Warren Grissom** was born¹⁸ about 1919 in Ms.. He died¹⁹ in 1998 i

Warren Grissom 1999
retired oil company employee

MERIDIAN — Warren Harrington Grissom, 79, a retired oil company employee, died Saturday of heart failure at his home.

Graveside services are 11 a.m. Monday at Magnolia Cemetery in Meridian. Visitation is 5-7 p.m. today at Barham Funeral Home in Meridian.

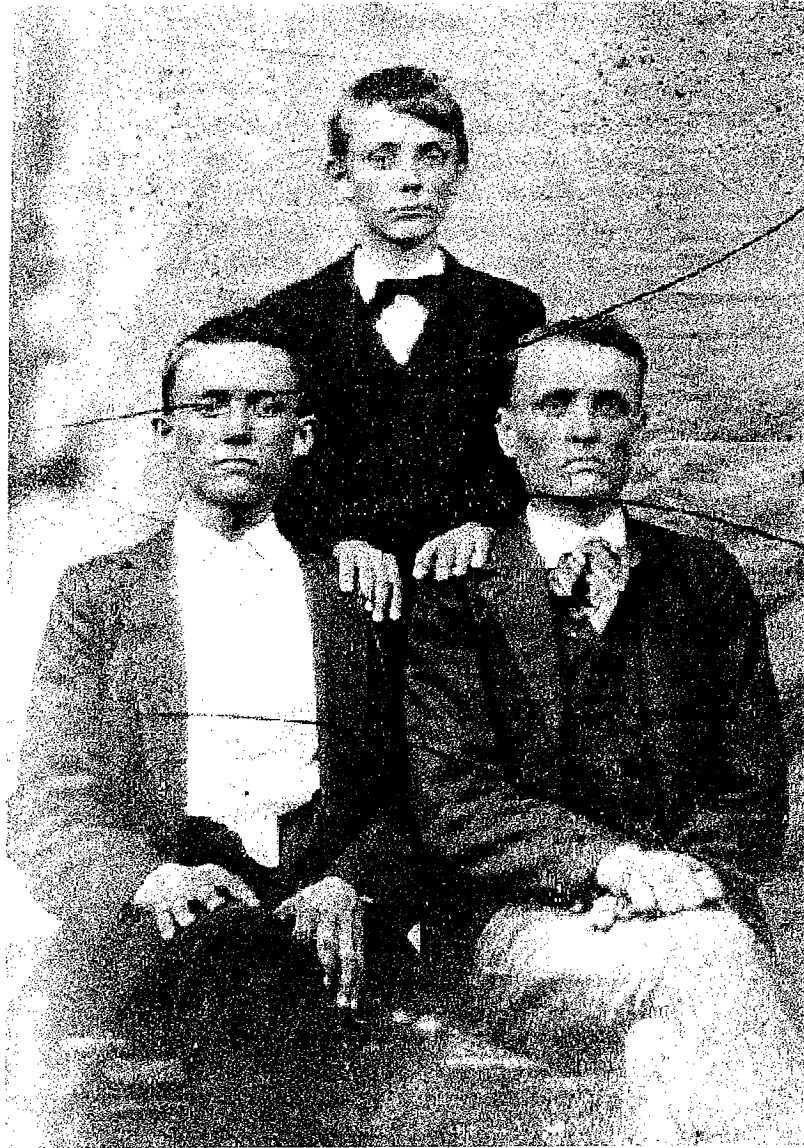
Mr. Grissom retired from Fruge Oil after 40 years. He was a World War II veteran, serving from 1942-45 in the 104th Timberwolf division. He also served in the European theater.

Survivors include: wife, Elaine; sons, Jackie Grissom of Jackson and Jerry Grissom of Meridian; and five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Sources

12. Deavors Grissom, STATEMENT OF HEIRS AT LAW OF JAMES GRISSOM, 22 Sep 2000.
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14. Ibid
15. Deavors Grissom, gives John R. Grissom's age 1945 as abt 33 years.
16. Deavors Grissom, Wilson's age is given as abt 31 [in 1945].
17. Deavors Grissom, Her age is given as 23 [in 1945].
18. Deavors Grissom, Age is given as 26 [in 1945].
19. JACKSON DAILEY NEWS, Dailey newspaper published in Jackson, Ms., 21 Sep 2000. Obit column. Article extant date of pub. No kept.

SONS OF MALVINA GRISSOM



**This picture is thought to be
[l to r Robert Stringer, Rufus Stringer and William Edward "Edd" Stringer]**

[3] Malvina Grissom [Mandy Stringer] [b1848]

**Malvina Grissom
Daughter of
James Grissom**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818]

1. **Malvina Grissom**¹ the 2nd daughter and the 5th child of **Sarah Hinton** and James Grissom was born² about 1848 in Kemper Co Ms. She died³ about 1885 in Jasper Co Ms. and may have been buried in Jasper Co Ms or Clear Baptist Cemetery, Smith County, Ms.

DEATH: Malvina died shortly after the birth of Rufus Stringer, the 8th child born to this family..[Oral history as told by Malvina's sons to **Royce Stringer**]

BIOGRAPHY:

1848 Malvina Grissom was born into the Sarah Hinton and James Grissom family. "Mandy" is the 5th child born to this union; Sarah Ann, David, Geo. W., and John are her older siblings. All of these older children were born in Georgia. Mandy is the first child in this family to be born in Mississippi.

1850 Kemper Co. Ms. Census shows a Gresham [Grissom] family cluster. The James Grissom family appears in this grouping. Mandy is recorded as being 2 years old.

1850 Mandy has another sister, Frances "Becky" Grissom 6th child is born. She is not recorded until the 1860 Census where she is listed as 10 years old. If that age is correct, then she was born after August in the year 1850.

1853 6 year old Mandy's brother Benjamin "Snap" Grissom makes his first appearance.
1856 Another brother, Joshua Grissom, is born. Mandy is about 8 years old.

1859 Sister Mary Jane Grissom is born. Mandy has her 11th birthday

1860 The Census year finds the Sarah Hinton and James Grissom family now located in Jones Co.. Ms .Mandy's last sibling, Emily is born after the Aug. Census day. Mandy is making her last. appearance as a member of the James Grissom family.

1868 Prior to 1868 when "Mandy" is about 20 years old, she has married Wade Stringer. They have established their own home nearby.

Malvina married **Wade Stringer**⁴, son of James Shepard Monroe Stringer and Priscilla Allen, abt1868 in Ms..Wade was born⁵ on 9 May 1843 in Smith Co Ms. He died⁶ on 11 Oct. 1924 and was buried in Liberty Meth. Ch Cem. Jasper Co. Ms.

Wade served in the military **Co A 7th Battl'm Ms Inf. 1862 - 1864 in C.S.A.** He resided West of Etahoma Creek about 1870 - 1896 in Jasper Co Ms.. He resided between the Post Office. and School about 1896 - Oct 1924 in Stringer Ms.

Malvina Grissom and **Wade Stringer** had the following children:

- F i. **Mary Jane Stringer** was born in Feb 1868. She died on 10 Aug 1915 in Longstreet La. and was buried in Pelican City, La..
Mary married **James Wesley Dykes**, son of Benjamin Franklin Dykes, on 31 Dec 1891 in Stringer Jasper Co, Ms.. James was born on 15 Nov 1872 in Stringer Jasper Co, Ms.. He died on 15 Nov 1940 in Joinerville TX.
- M ii. **Raspberry "Ras" Stringer** was born on 26 Dec 1870 in Ms.. He died on 10 Aug 1935 in Jasper Co. Ms. and was buried in Union Line Cem. Jones Co. Ms..
Raspberry married **Syvia Welborn "Sissie"** on 25 Mar 1892 in Jones Co Ms.. Sissie was born 29 Feb 1870. She died on 24 Sep 1955 and was buried in Union Line Cemetery Jones Co Ms..
- M iii. **John Stringer** was born on 2 May 1873. He died on 11 Jul 1931 and was buried in Edon Bapt Church Cemetery, Stringer, Ms..
John married **Ella Simpson**, daughter of Lemuel Simpson and Becky Ann Jackson. Ella was born on 14 Nov 1876. She died on 25 Sep 1940 and was buried in Edon Bapt. Ch. Cem., Jasper Co. Ms..
- F iv. **Sallie Stringer** was born on 25 May 1876. She died on 10 Jan 1962 and was buried in Hopewell Bapt Ch, Jasper Co. Ms..
Sallie resided 1945 in Rte three Laurel, Ms..
Sallie married **Wiley Welborn** on 9 Mar 1902. Wiley was born on 3 Apr 1877. He died on 27 Nov 1934 and was buried in Hopewell Bapt Cem. Jasper Co. Ms..
- M v. **James Stringer "Jimmy"** was born in 1879 in Ms.. was buried in Jasper Co Ms..
- M vi. **Robert [B?] [V?] Stringer** was born on 12 Jun 1878 in Jasper Co Ms.. He died on 31 Jan 1955 and was buried in Edon Bapt. Ch. Cem., Jasper Co. Ms..
Robert resided 1945 in rte 1 Soso, Ms..
Robert married **Della Ishee**, daughter of George Washington Ishee and Kate Stennet, about 1904. Della was born on 11 Nov 1881. She died on 17 Jun 1952 and was buried in Edon Bapt. Ch. Cem., Jasper Co. Ms..
- M vii. **William Edward Stringer "Edd"** was born in 1883 in Ms.. He died on 3 Jul 1955 in Jasper Co Ms. and was buried in Mathews Cem. Jones Co., Ms..
Edd lived in the home that is now the home of his son Royce Stringer..
Ed married **Mary Leatha Mauldin**, daughter of Younger Mauldin and Lucinda McKinley, on 7 Nov 1911 in Ellisville, Ms. Mary was born on 3 Oct 1893 in Jasper co Ms and was christened in Pleasant Home Bapt, Ch, Jones Co. Ms.. She died on 20 Aug 1980 and was buried in Mathews Cem. Jones Co., Ms..
- M viii. **Rufus Stringer** was born on 12 Jul 1884 in Ms.. He died on 9 Oct 1963 in Ms. and was buried in Shady Grove Bapt. Ch. Cem. Jones Co. Ms..
Rufus married **Pattie Jordan**. Pattie was born on 7 Jul 1894. She died on 1 Sep 1981 and was buried in Shady Grove Bapt Ch. Cem. Jones Co. Ms..

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2. 1850 Census Aug 21, 1850 Kemper Co Ms. Census, 16 May 2000. " Households 5,7 and 8 appear to make up a family group. Malvina appears on this census as Alvina The first letter of her name is missing, She is the daughter of Sarah Hinton and James Gresham.
3. Royce Stringer Research, 23 Sep 2000, Royce Stringer Files, Stringer Ms. Royce Stringer has made a diligent search to find the tomb of Malvina Grissom Stringer. Her resting place has not yet been found.
4. Royce Stringer Research, 22 Sep 2000.
5. Ibid.
6. Ibid.



[The Mauldin sisters l to r Mary, Ida and Lela. Mary Mauldin married "Edd" Stringer She is the mother of Royce Stringer.]

**MARY JANE STRINGER
DAUGHTER OF
MANDY STRINGER**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, James Grissom 1818, Malvina [Mandy] Stringer 1848]

1. **Mary Jane Stringer**^{1,2} the 1st daughter and the 1st child of Malvina Grissom and Wade Stringer was born³ Feb 1868. She died⁴ 10 Aug 1915 in Longstreet La. and was buried in Pelican City, La.. Mary married⁶ **James Wesley Dykes**⁵, son of Benjamin Franklin Dykes, on 31 Dec 1891 in Stringer Jasper Co, Ms.. James was born⁷ 15 Nov 1872 in Stringer Jasper Co, Ms.. He died⁸ 15 Nov 1940 in Joinerville TX.

Mary Jane Stringer and **James Wesley Dykes** had the following children:



- i. **Ira Pinckney Dykes**^{9,10} was born^{11,12} 14 Feb 1892 in Stringer Ms. He died¹³ 16 Jun 1990 in Kilgore, Texas and was buried¹⁴ in Leola, Ar. Cem..
Ira married **Lois Critz**¹⁵ before 1927. Lois was born¹⁶ 4 Sep. 1903 in Fordyce. Ark.. She died¹⁷ 31 May 1976 in Kilgore, Texas and was buried¹⁸ in Leola, Ark. Cem.
- ii. **Jessie Dykes** was born 1895. She died 1895.
- iii. **Willie Ambrow Dykes** was born¹⁹ 22 Oct 1899. He died²⁰ 25 Oct 1962 in Joinerville, Texas and was buried²¹ in Joinerville, Texas.

Willie married **Daisy Della Wilder**²² on 19 May 1921 in Cedar Grove, La. Daisy was born²³ 31 Jul 1902 in Cedar Grove, La. She died²⁴ 24 Oct. 1939 in Joinerville, Texas and was buried²⁵ in Joinerville, Texas.

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| 5 | M | iv. Alvie Dykes "Scamp" was born 16 Aug 1901. He died 31 Dec 1990 in Texas. |
| 6 | M | v. Alson Dykes "Pat" was born 16 Aug 1901. He died 8 Aug 1936. |

Sources

1. Janice Robertson Walters, ANCESTORS, SIBLINGS AND DESCENDANTS OF JAMES SHEPARD MONROE STRINGER, unpublished, page 141, 5 Jul 2000, Royce Stringer Files, Stringer Ms. loose-leaf three ring notebook. cite source of information as Wesley C. Dykes by R. T. Stringer.
2. Deavors Grissom, STATEMENT OF HEIRS AT LAW OF JAMES GRISSOM, unpublished, 30 Sep 2000, Cecil Grissom Private Library, Stringer, Ms. "Mary Stringer died about the year 1917 at the age of about 41 years. She was married to Wesley Dykes who also departed this life in the state of Louisiana, near Pelican, Louisiana, about the year of 1942, . It is my understanding that Mary Stringer Dykes died in the state of Louisiana....."
3. op cit, Walters p 141, 5 Jul 2000. original information supplied to Royce Stringer by Mary Jane's grandson, Wesley C. Dykes.
4. Ibid, 23 Sep 2000.
5. Janice Robertson Walters, ANCESTORS, SIBLINGS AND DESCENDANTS OF JAMES SHEPARD MONROE STRINGER, p 140, 5 Oct 2000. Lists husband for Mary Jane Stringer.
6. Wesley Critz Dykes, DYKES FAMILY HISTORY, 5 Oct 2000, Cecil Grissom Private Library, Stringer, Ms. Wesley has supplied vital information on his family.

7. Wesley Critz Dykes, DYKES FAMILY HISTORY, 24 Sep 2000.
8. ibid.

Suppositions [con't from page 56]

Concerning the name of "Isham or Isom"

Prior pages of these notes reference "Isham/Isom Grissom/Gresham" He appears to have been a son or close relative of a David Grissom/Gresham, if by no other documentary support than their being in Georgia counties of Baldwin/Jasper/Troup during tax assessment and census years ranging from 1810 or earlier.

Isham Malone is also documented in the Lauderdale Co. Ms. area where Isham Grissom came to settle around 1838 or earlier.

The given name of "Isham" can be noted with several other surnames of the same period in both Jasper Co. Ga., and Lauderdale Co., Ms. Whether these men were somehow related by an earlier ancestor bearing the surname of "Isham" remains unproven. It is a subject for later searching. However, some little information of possible genealogical interest is as follows:

THE NEW DICTIONARY OF AMERICAN FAMILY NAMES states the following;

Isom...[English] a variant of Isham, q. v.

Isham...[English] one who came from Isham in Northamptonshire [village on the Ise River]

A DICTIONARY OF BRITISH SURNAMEN [see Jones County Ms. Library] states:

Isham/Isom/Issom Henry de Isham 1206 Cur [nth] John Isom 1713 Fr Leic. From Isham [Northants]

Isom Grisham's name appears in print briefly in a Wilkes Co. Ga. document that is undated...possibly earlier than the 1810 Baldwin Co. reference to taxes assess him and David Gresham, i.e.: "Page 292, **THE WILKES CO. PAPERS 1773-1833** [Isom Grisham signed a petition to the Governor [of Georgia] along with several dozen other persons, "that fines be refunded to Robert Gill, Howell Brewer, and Wm. Weldon, due to proof by Abram Mills and Elijah Clark that prosecutor's witness was unreliable" [he exact nature of the fines is not spelled out in the book.]

Ongoing research by Phyllis and Cecil Grissom of P.O. Box 147 Stringer, Ms. points to Isham/Isom Grissom/Gresham having been the son of David Gresham, the South Carolina citizen who fought in the American Revolution. This research, augmented by earlier work of Katherine Grissom Gregg and brothers and by Carol Grisham Byrom of Ft. Worth TX suggests the Greshams came into South Carolina from Virginia and settled around the Chester/Fairfield Counties along the Broad River prior to the Revolution. Some of the family possibly relative Moses and Major remained in South Carolina but most seems to have begun moving westward into Georgia around the turn of the century.[See Phyllis Grissom notes elsewhere for possible names of ancestors earlier than David Gresham b Halifax Co Va, 1755, [con't on page 72]

Ira Pinkey Dykes
Son of
Mary Jane Stringer

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818, Malvina Grissom 1868,
Mary Jane Stringer 1868]

1. **Ira Pinkey Dykes**^{1,2} the 1st son and the 1st child of Mary Jane Stringer and **James Wesley Dykes** was born^{3,4} on 14 Feb 1892 in Stringer Ms. He died⁵ on 16 Jun 1990 in Kilgore, Texas and was buried⁶ in Leola, Ark.

BIOGRAPHY: " Ira Pinkey Dykes worked in the oil fields in Texas, Louisiana, and Arkansas. He was a blacksmith, toolmaker, owned a drug store and Trucks used to haul crossties and custodian of Eastview School. He received his fifty-year Masonic pin in 1976. He was a mason for sixty-four years. He was ninety seven years five months of age at death."Ira married **Lois Critz**⁷ before 1927. Lois was born⁸ on 4 Sep. 1903 in Fordyce. Ark.. She died⁹ on 31 May 1976 in Kilgore, Texas and was buried¹⁰ in Leola, Ark. Cem. "Lois Critz was a school teacher in Leola Ark. She was seventy-two and five months of age at death."

Ira Pinkey Dykes and **Lois Critz** had the following children:

- M i. **Wesley Critz Dykes**¹¹ was born¹² on 8 Apr 1927 in Leola, Ark..
Wesley retired in Kilgore, Texas. Wesley married **Sallie D. Davis** on 9 Dec 1950 in Elizabeth City, N, Car.. Sallie was born¹³ on 29 Oct 1921 in Newport News, Va..

- + F ii. **Wrennetta Dykes** the daughter and 2nd child of Lois Critz and Ira Pinkey Dykes was born¹ on 30 Jun 1931 in Leola, Ark..Wrennetta married **William E. Powell** on 21 Jun 1957. William was born on 14 Feb 1932.

Wrennetta Dykes and **William E. Powell** had the following children:

- Harriet L. Powell** was born on 1 Nov. 1950 in Longview, Texas
Harriet married **Mark McKay** on 4 Jun 1988 in Alexandria, La..
John A Powell was born on 10 Jan. 1965 in Alexandria, La.

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Willie Ambrow Dykes
Son Of
Mary Jane Stringer

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818,
Malvina Grissom 1848, Mary Jane Stringer 1868]

1. **Willie Ambrow Dykes** the 3rd child and the 2nd son of Mary Jane Stringer and **Ira Pinkey Dykes** was born¹ on 22 Oct. 1899. He died² on 25 Oct. 1962 in Joinerville, Texas and was buried³ in Joinerville, Texas.

Willie married **Daisy Della Wilder**⁴ on 19 May 1921 in Cedar Grove, La. Daisy was born⁵ on 31 Jul 1902 in Cedar Grove, La. She died⁶ on 24 Oct. 1939 in Joinerville, Texas and was buried⁷ in Joinerville, Texas.

Willie Ambrow Dykes and **Daisy Della Wilder** had the following children:

- M i. **Jesse James Dykes**⁸ was born⁹ on 22 Apr. 1922 in Hayesville, La...
- M ii. **Edward Ambrow Dykes**¹⁰ was born¹¹ on 20 Jul. 1925 in Cotton Valley, La..
- M iii. **George Leoan Dykes**¹² was born¹³ on 7 May 1928 in Eldorado, Ark..
- F iv. **Mary Elizabeth Dykes**¹⁴ was born¹⁵ on 3 Jul. 1930 in Shreveport, La..
- F v. **Ellamay Earnistine Dykes**¹⁶ was born¹⁷ on 19 Oct. 1932 in Shreveport, La..
- M vi. **Leroy Dykes**¹⁸ was born¹⁹ on 9 Oct. 1939 in Joinerville, Texas.

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[b] Raspberry "Ras" Stringer

**RASBERRY "RAS" STRINGER
SON OF
MALVINA GRISSOM**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818, Malvina Grissom 1848]

1. **Raspberry "Ras" Stringer** the 1st son and the 2nd child of Malvina Grissom and Wade Stringer was born¹ 26 Dec 1870 in Ms.. He died^{2,3} 10 Aug. 1935 in Jasper Co. Ms. and was buried⁴ in Union Line Cemetery Jones Co., Ms. Raspberry married **Syvilla Welborn "Sissie"**⁵ on 25 Mar. 1892 in Jones Co Ms. Sissie was born⁶ 29 Feb. 1870 She died⁷ 24 Sep. 1955 and was buried⁸ in Union Line Cemetery Jones Co

Ras Stringer and **Syvilla Welborn** had the following child:

- F i. **Onie Stringer**⁹ was born¹⁰ 24 Aug. 1894 in Jasper Co Ms.. She died¹¹ 2 Jul. 1951 and was buried¹² in Union Line Cemetery Jones Co. Ms.

Onie married **Harrison Van Welch "Chip"**. Chip was born 10 Feb. 1895. He died 6 Apr. 1971 and was buried in Union Line Cemetery Jones Co Ms.

Notes

1S. Syvilla Welborn

BIOGRAPHY: Sissie is the sister of Wiley Welborn who married Sallie Stringer [Wade Stringer Families...page 140

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Onie Stringer
Daughter of
Rasberry Stringer

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818,
Malvina Grissom 1848, Rasberry Stringer 1870]

1. **Onie Stringer**¹ the 1st and only child of **Syvilla Welborn** and Rasberry Stringer was born² on 24 Aug 1894 in Jasper Co Ms.. She died³ on 2 Jul 1951 and was buried⁴ in Union Line Cemetery Jones Co. Ms.

Onie married **Harrison Van Welch** "Chip". Chip was born on 10 Feb 1895. He died on 6 Apr. 1971 and was buried in Union Line Cemetery Jones Co. Ms.

Onie Stringer and **Harrison Van Welch** had the following children:

- M i. **Harold Welch**⁵ born 1918
- M ii. **Camden Welch**⁶ was buried in Union Line Cemetery Jones Co. Ms.
- F iii. **Nettie Ruth Welch**⁷.
- F iv. **Georgia Ruth Welch**⁸.
- M v. **Jasper Dean Welch**⁹ was buried in Union Line Cemetery Jones Co Ms.

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[c] John Stringer

John Stringer
Son of
Malvina Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818.
Malvina Grissom 1848}

1. **John Stringer**¹ the 2nd son and the 3rd child of Malvina Grissom and Wade Stringer was born² May 1873. He died² 11 Jul 1931. He was buried² in Edon Bapt Church Cemetery, Stringer, Ms.. John married **Ella Simpson**³ daughter of Lemuel Simpson and Becky Ann Jackson. Ella was born² 14 Nov 1876. She died² 25 Sep 1940. She was buried² in Edon Bapt. Ch. Cem., Jasper Co. Ms.. BURIAL: Cecil Grissom of Stringer Ms .served as pall bearer at Ella Stinger's funeral at Edon Church in the Stringer Community Jasper Co. Ms.

BIOGRAPHY: Cecil Grissom recalled how when he was a little boy, he was much impressed with Ms Ella's flock of Turkeys. They would gather in her yard near sundown, then roost in the trees near the house. She developed quite a market for her turkeys. Miss Ella was active in her church. She enjoyed company. She also enjoyed visiting her neighbors. [Notes taken 3 Apr 2000 as told by Cecil Grissom]

John and **Ella Simpson** had the following children:

- F i. **Docie Stringer** was born 1896.
- M ii. **Ansalom Stringer**⁴ "Ance"⁴ was born⁵ 1898. He died in Chalmette, La..
LOCALE: Ance moved to New Orleans, La. where he owned a restaurant
[Cecil Grissom 2 Apr 2000] Ansalom married **Odessa**⁶.
- M iii. **Ottis Stringer** was born 31 Oct 1899.
- M iv. **Audie Stringer**⁷ was born 1899.
- M v. **Eddie Stringer**⁸ was born⁹ 4 Jan 1902. He died⁹ 14 Jul 1921. He was buried⁹ in Edon Bapt Ch Cem. Stringer, Jasper Co. Ms..
Eddie died at a young age. There was an accident involving a horse
- M vi. **William Stringer** was born 1906.
- M vii. **Elisha Stringer** was born 11 May 1911 in Mississippi. He died 15 Jun 1950 in Stringer, Ms. Elisha served in the military as a combat soldier in W II.
Elisha married **Bernice**.
- F viii. **Maudie Stringer** was born on 7 Feb
- F ix. **Pearlie Stringer** was born on 20 Nov 1913
- M x. **Ross Stringer** was born in 1919.
- M xi. **Lee Stringer** was born in 1920. in Stringer, Ms.

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2. **Docie Stringer**¹⁰ the 1st daughter and the 1st child of John Stringer and the granddaughter of Malvina Grissom was born 1896.

Docie married **Bunyan Sherman**¹¹. Bunyan was born 1896. He died Bef 1995. He was buried in Ms.

They had the following children:

- F i. **Thelma Sherman**¹².
- + M ii. **J. B. Sherman**.

4. **Ottis Stringer**¹³ the 2nd son and the 3rd child of John Stringer and the grandson of Malvina Grissom was born¹⁴31 Oct 1899 in Stringer, Ms. He died in Richton Ms..

Ottis resided¹⁵in Richton, Ms..

Ottis married **Holifield**¹⁶.

They had the following children:

- M i. **Bobbie Stringer**¹⁷.
- M ii. **Thomas Ray Stringer**¹⁸was born in Ms..

7. **William Stringer** the 5th son and the 7th child of John Stringer and the grandson of Malvina Grissom was born 1906.

William married **Luverta Wade**, Walden Mississippi.

They had the following child

- F i. **Wilma Jean Stringer**.

9. **Maudie Stringer** the 2nd daughter and the 8th child of John Stringer and the granddaughter of Malvina Grissom was born 7 Feb 1912 in Stringer, Ms.

Maudie married **James Barnett**.

James resided in Country home.

They had the following child

- F i. **Linda Janelle Barnett**.
Linda resided in Louisiana.

10 **Pearlie Stringer** the 3rd daughter and the 9th child of John Stringer and the granddaughter of Malvina Grissom was born on 20 Nov. 1913 in Stringer, Ms. She died on 31 Dec. 1957 in Mobile, Ala. Pearlie lived in Mobile, Ala.

Pearlie married (1) **Ernest Black** before 1930 in Ms.. The marriage ended in divorce

Ernest Black and Pearlie had the following children:

- M i. **Billie Black** was born 23 Dec 1930 in Stringer Ms..
- F ii. **Catherine Maxine Black** was born 9 Jan 1933 in Stringer Ms..

Pearlie married (2) **Bun Colon Crabtree** son of Allen Crabtree and Lelia Davis 1946 in Mobile, Ala..

They had the following child:

- F iii. **Paulette Crabtree** was born 23 Sep 1947 in Mobile, Ala..

12. **Lee Stringer** the 8th son and the 11th child of John Stringer and grandson of Malvina Grissom was born 1920 in Stringer, Ms.

Lee married **Louise Blackridge** in Mississippi.

They had the following children:

- M i. **Truman Stringer**.
- M ii. **Gene Stringer**.

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15. **J. B. Sherman**¹⁹ the only son and the 2nd child of Docie Stringer and grandson of John Stringer He had the following children:

- M i. **Keith Sherman**²⁰.
- M ii. **Gary Sherman**²¹.
- F iii. **Teresa Sherman**²².
- M iv. **Mike Sherman**²³.

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[d] Sallie Stringer [Welborn]

Sallie Stringer
Daughter of
Malvina Grissom

[David 1755, Isham 1780, James 1818, Malvina Grissom 1848]

1. **Sallie Stringer**¹ the 2nd daughter and the 4th child of Malvina Grissom and Wade Stringer was born² on 25 May 1876. She died³ on 10 Jan 1962 and was buried⁴ in Hopewell Bapt. Ch. Jasper Co. Ms..

Sallie resided⁵ 1945 in Rte. Three Laurel, Ms..

Sallie married⁷ **Wiley Welborn**⁶ on 9 Mar 1902. Wiley was born on 3 Apr. 1877. He died on 27 Nov 1934 and was buried in Hopewell Bapt. Cem. Jasper Co. Ms.. Sally Stringer and **Wiley Welborn** had the following children:

- + F i. **Gladys Welborn**⁸ (Sallie) was born on 12 Oct 1911 in Jasper Co Ms.. She died on election day 5 Nov. 1996 at the Stringer precinct and was buried in Hopewell Bapt. Cem. Jasper Co. Ms..

Gladys married **Odis Bryant Jones**⁹. Odis was born on 1 Jan 1907. He was buried in Hopewell Bapt Cem. Jasper Co. Ms..

Gladys Welborn and **Odis Bryant Jones** had the following children:

- + F i. **Sylvia Grace Jones**
Sylvia Grace Jones married **Edward Zbylot. Who was born 22 Aug 1922**
d 5 Aug 1972

Sylvia Grace Jones and **Edward Zbylot** had the following child
Sherre Zbylot

- + M ii. **Jerry Howard Jones.**
Jerry married **Voncilla Deese**
Jerry Howard Jones and **Voncilla Deese** had the following children:

M i. **Matthew B. Jones.**

F ii. **Dena Jones.**

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[e] James Stringer

**James Stringer
Son Of
Malvina Grissom**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, James Grissom 1818, Malvina Grissom 1848]

1. **James Stringer "Jimmy"**¹ the 3rd son and the 5th child of Malvina Grissom and **Wade Stringer** was born² 1879 in Ms.. Jimmie was buried in Jasper Co Ms..

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SUPPOSITIONS [con.t from page 63]

Exactly where in Lauderdale Co. did the Grissoms' own land? The early indexed records ca 1838 to about 1854 do not seem to document the section/township/range. It is believed that the family was in the North Central area initially, somewhere around the early P.O. of Bailey, Ms. [as of 1999 there is a short road named Grissom Rd. about two or three miles north/northwest of Bailey. Also some early Grissoms are buried in cemeteries in this area

Earlier information documents "Isham Grissom" age 86, living next door to a D. Grissom, age 43 as of the 1860 Census. Some land transactions do appear for a "David Grissom" these being for years later than the time James Grissom and Josh H. Hinton had moved away to Jones Co., Ms. e.g.:

"Land Roll Taxes Book 1858, David Grissom, Section 18 of Township 8 Range 18 [amount of] 47 acres" Also another 40 acres are referenced as being owned by David Grissom, 1878, same Sec., [THIS TOWNSHIP AND SECTION IS LOCATED IN EXTREME NE LAUDERDALE ...NE of Meridian about 15 miles and east/NE of Baily about 12 Miles]

William Grissom sold 20 acres of Section 25, Township 8, Range 16 East, in the year of 1854 [the date may have been about the year that William Grissom, brother of James Grissom, Elizabeth Grissom Murray and Arenah Grissom Hinton all packed up left for Jones County. [This section and township where Wm sold land is about 7 miles wes of David's land and 4 or 5 miles east of Bailey]

G. W. Coats [presumed to be the G. W. Coats who married Amanda Grissom, dau of Isham Grissom] is documented in Land Recors 1878 Land Roll Tax Book as owning lots 15 and 18 of Section 3 of Township 8, Range 16 [This section 3 is within a mile and a fraction of the SAM DALE tombstone and monument at Daleville, Ms. Sec 3 is just east of Ms. Hwy 39 and touched on Kemper County line. The Mt Carmel Presby, church and Cem at Bailey is only another 3 or 4 miles west.]

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**Son of
Mandy Stringer**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818, Malvina Grissom 1848]

1. **Robert [B?] [V?] Stringer**¹ the 4th son and the 6th child of Malvina Grissom and **Wade Stringer** was born² on 12 Jun 1878 in Jasper Co Ms.. He died³ on 31 Jan 1955 and was buried⁴ in Edon Bapt. Ch. Cem., Jasper Co. Ms.. Robert resided⁵ 1945 in rte. 1 Soso, Ms.. Robert married **Della Ishee**⁶, daughter of George Washington Ishee and Kate Stennet, about 1904. Della was born on 11 Nov 1881. She died on 17 Jun 1952 and was buried in Edon Bapt. Ch. Cem., Jasper Co. Ms..

Robert Stringer and **Della Ishee** had the following children:

M i. **Joe M. Stringer** was born on 3 Jan 1906 in Jasper Co Ms.. He died on 28 July 1990 in Jasper Co Ms. and was buried⁷ in Louin Cemetery Jasper Co. Ms.. Joe married **Nettie Corely** about 1928. Nettie was born on 17 Jun 1904 in Jasper Co Ms. She died on 21 Jun. 1990 and was buried in Louin Cemetery Jasper Co. Ms..

F ii. **Alpha Mae Stringer "Sis"** was born⁸ on 26 Sep 1907.

M iii. **Ervin Adolph Stringer "Erb"** was born⁹ on 3 Aug 1909.

iv. **Infant Stringer** was born on 15 Sep 1911. Infant died on 15 Sep 1911 and was buried¹⁰ in Edon Bapt. Ch. Cem., Jasper Co. Ms..

F v. **Mildred Malvina Stringer "Milly"** was born on 13 Apr 1914 in Jasper Co Ms.. She died¹¹ on 24 Aug 1992 in Jones Co Ms. and was buried in Oakland Grove Cem Jones Co. Ms..

"Her middle name is the same name as her [grand] mother Malvina Grissom Stringer."...

Royce Stringer notation

Milly married **Wright Hodge** about 1952. Wright was born on 11 Apr 1911 in Jones Co Ms.. He died on 24 Jul 1988 and was buried in Oakland Grove Cem Jones Co. Ms..

F vi. **Annie Stringer "Toy"** was born¹² on 2 Apr 1916. She died on 29 Jan 1959 and was buried in Mill Creek Cem. Jones Co. Ms..

Toy married **Claiborne Holifield** on 14 Jan 1939. **Claiborne Holifield** was born on 11 Apr 1911 in Jones Co Ms.. He died on 7 Dec 1963 and was buried in Mill Creek Cem. Jones Co. Ms..

F vii. **Lillie Helen Stringer "Lil"**¹³ was born on 6 Apr 1920.

viii. **Infant Stringer** was born¹⁴ on 25 Oct 1922. Infant died on 25 Oct 1922.

F ix. **Dulcie Stringer**¹⁵ was born on 19 Nov 1923.

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14. Information concerning this family was also given by a great- granddaughter, Patricia M. Stringer Shows

SUPPOSITIONS [con.t from page 72]

Family #137 and 136, page 95 Lauderdale County, Ms. Census 1870 listing George W. Grissom and John H. Grissom were living in "Township 7, Beat 1, Marion Station, Lauderdale Co. Ms. In the 1870 Census [Marion Station is just NE of present day Meridian and just sw of Bailey P.O. about 4 miles...see page 95 of census, George Grissom is 27, b. Ga., wife Avilla [Avilla Jane Etheridge Grissom] is listed as only 14 born MS. no children {a child who died at birth or shortly there after was born after they moved to Jasper county. It is thought this baby was named David. See David Grissom recollections of his Grandfather page 47] John H. Grissom is 25, born Ga. Wife Harriet J [Harris] Grissom is 24 born N. C... with dau. Meredith, age 9 b. Ms .Research listed elsewhere documents George and John Grissom to be two of the sons of James and Sarah Hinton Grissom who had with their families to Jones Co. back in 1854 or there about. [special note reference John H. Grissom...dau. "Meredith need re-checking age may be wrong, J. H. C. Grissom did not marry H, J. Harris 'til 1867...G. W. Grissom married A. V. J. Etheriridge 1870]



THE EDD STRINGER OLD HOME PLACE [as told by Royce Stringer, son of Edd Stringer]

“At the tender age of about two, Edd Stringer suffered the untimely loss of his mother Mandy Grissom. Neighbors and older siblings helped care for him until his father, Wade A Stringer, remarried. He remarried several years later. It was perhaps these early years that shaped Edd’s temperament to that of a conservative, mild mannered self sufficient person

Wade Stringer, a confederate veteran, farmed along Etahoma Creek in Jasper Co. Ms. He also took on drayage work. He had a fine team of animals and wagons. He also operated a small sawmill at Stringer Ms. Edd and the other children [numbering eight in all of Wade and Mandy] were provided with all the essentials. They enjoyed growing up in the lifestyle typical of their rural setting. The boys hunted and fished in their spare time Edd learned to swim in the old millpond known locally as the ‘roaring creek wash hole’

As Edd grew up, he attended hoedowns or ‘fiddlins’. These Saturday night socials were usually held at some farm home. Beds would be taken down in the fireplace room to accommodate square dancing taffy pulls, games etc. Edd Stringer learned the harmonica well. He played occasionally with a fiddler, guitar Player or whomever happened to be available, In later years, he would take the old harmonica from the mantle over the fireplace and play a few tunes for his children. He played such tunes as **Cotton-eyed Joe, Old Dan Tucker, Sally Goodin, Turkey in the Straw, Boil Them Cabbage Down, The Fox Chase** and others. Edd’s sister Sallie Stringer Welborn danced at the hoedowns regularly. Late in her life, upon mention of the subject, she would sometimes rise to her feet and with a shy little smile, dance a step or two before sitting down again. In early manhood, Edd left his father and stepmother’s home in Stringer. He hired himself out for several years as a farm laborer to his sister Sallie and her young husband, Wiley Welborn, They lived down the Stringer/Soso road. This road, State Rd 533 runs close to the Jones County Line. This was how Edd came to meet his future bride, Mary Leathea Mauldin. Her maternal grandmother was Charity Welborn Mauldin and the Welborn and the Mauldin families were very close.

After marriage, Edd and Leatha purchased an old Welborn farm. It was located on Hwy 15. This highway connects Laurel, Stringer and Bay Springs, Ms. From 1914 onward, this became the home place for the Edd Stringer family. When I retired, I came back to this house. I live here today.

Edd was blessed with great physical strength. In his younger years, this strength helped the family to prosper on limited resources. Conservative in nature, his small farming operation was diversified. This helped guard against bad weather and other odds. He grew some cotton, corn, sweet potatoes, sugarcane, timber and occasionally oats and soybeans. He had cattle and hogs. He was known in the area for the quality of his honey. Until the 1930s, many southern farmers fenced the fields and a small pasture for the milk cow, but other cattle and hogs roamed the open range without regard to property lines. There was no automobile traffic to worry about. Edd and the boys would scout the countryside at intervals, counting the herd and checking for ailing animals.

Edd's conservative practices served the family well, both when the boll weevil struck cotton farmers hard and again later during the great depression when some farmers could not pay their taxes, Neighbors knew one another extremely well during Edd Stringer's farming years. They swapped out work regularly. Helping each other with hog slaughtering, plowing, harvesting, etc. This was especially true when illness struck.

Edd Stringer was sincere and easy going. He loved his family and his neighbors. He commanded respect from all his family. There was no problem with rebellious teens. In the late 1920s, he and the older boys put the team of mules to work, constructing a large fish pond. They utilized a plow and a large scoop. These were their only tools. This pond soon became the Sunday afternoon swimming pool for the young people all over the neighborhood. Many learned to swim here.

Mary Leatha Mauldin, one of three sisters, grew up near the Moss Community. Moss is located in extreme south Jasper County. She learned to play the guitar a little. Her older sister, Ida played the organ, Their father Younger Mauldin loved his daughters. He was fond of taking them riding on Sundays. He drove a two seated pleasure carriage known as a horse drawn surrey.

Leatha was blessed with boundless energy. She was always busy at a project. The work was never done, not with a large family of children. In addition to the necessary cooking, laundry and cleaning, she enjoyed sewing, gardening and tending a small flock of chickens. The eggs were staples at every breakfast. They were also a vital ingredient for a Sunday cake, custard or chicken and dumplings. As true of most "Moms" her cooking was superb.

Leatha liked to read the news. There was always a subscription to the Laurel Leader Call Although the only home delivery in her day was the United States Mail, They delivered the paper a day late. She was fond of all varieties of flowers. After passing, the children made a list of the plants and shrubs around the home. They found more than 50 varieties. After all her children left home, she would call upon several of her grandchildren to accompany her on a long walk back of the farm to the Little Cypress Creek. She thoroughly enjoyed catching the small perch from the 'Big Turn Hole'. She never let a summer pass without at least a fishing trip and the little fish fry afterwards.

During the years when the family was being reared, quilts were an essential. They kept the family warm on winter nights. There was only the wood burning fireplace for heat in the old farmhouse. Scraps of cloth were collected throughout the year. They were used to make squares for the quilts. At a designated season of the year, the long lumber frames were retrieved from under the porch. They were assembled in one of the bedrooms for the purpose of 'putting on a new quilt'. Ladies from the neighborhood would be invited to come on a certain day. They would all assist in the sewing of the new quilt. Leatha would go to the neighbors to sew when they had quilts to finish. After all the children were grown and had left home, Leatha joined the quilting club at the community center near Pleasant Home Baptist Church. She helped make many a quilt for the daughters and granddaughters of the members.

The nine children of Edd Stringer all had important chores around the farm. There was time, however for long visits with other kinfolk. The lack of an automobile just encouraged sleepovers. They called for the sharing of chores with the hosts; be it canning, sewing, chopping wood, mending fences, or the pleasant task of front porch gossip when all the work was done.

In October of 1924, Edd Stringer and family were visiting the home of Grandpa Wade A. Stringer. It was the time of his passing. The old home was on the hill just west of the [current 2001] Stringer High School football field. Nobie Mae [Stringer] Moss was very young but vividly remembered relatives placing nickels on the eyelids of Grandpa just after he died. Grandpa and Allice ae buried in the nearby Liberty Meth. Church Cem .in. Stringer

Edd's 1st farm was the old Denim Welborn place. The house was situated on a high hill half a mile west of the gravel highway Ms. 15. There was a little dirt road leading off the main gravel highway 15. This dirt trail wound past Edd's house, then south by Uncle Rufus Stringer, then westward across Cypress Creek by the Jack Sims farm and on toward Soso. Older Stringer children describe communications before the arrival of the telephone or e-mail. If there was news to be relayed to a neighbor, the man of the house would step outdoors in the crisp morning air and yell at the top of his lungs "Whoooooeeee!" The voice would carry across the hollow, over the hills, half a mile or more. Soon there would be an answer back, "Whoooooeeee!" This hollering was in some sort of prearranged code, seemingly. It was between the Ishee brothers, Luther, Judson, and William, Ira Moss, Jack Sims and others. Quoting from the book NIGHTS UNDER A TIN ROOF by James A Autry "It's how new babies were announced, hog killings were set, hunting trips were arranged or news told of broken arms, snake bites, lost cows, etc." You name it, the news traveled far, wide and fast on those early morning shouts.

About 1928 Edd purchased the adjoining farm. It fronted on Hwy. 15. He moved into the old house. It was on the Mossville School bus route. Now the children would no longer have to walk the half mile on the old dirt road that led up to their first house. In good weather or bad, the bus was near at hand. Now that first old bus was something. It was no more than a big old box mounted on a truck. It had bench seats. It served well all through what was called Mr. Hoover's depression hereabouts

This idyllic setting was soon disrupted by world events far far away. Men were ordered to register for the draft. One by one, brothers, cousins, schoolmates, were called into service . Anxious parents worried. They feared their loved ones were lost forever. Our mother, mary Leatha Mauldin Stringer, tuned to the radio network news *every* evening. Young as I was, I recall the serious voices of Gabriel Heater, H. V. Kaltenborn, Lowell Thomas, Walter Winchell telling of bombing and other big war battles

Four sons and two sons-in-law all served in that war. They all returned home. Marvin Stringer, a son, was seriously wounded. He got his wounds in North Africa, Many a carefree young draftee came home changed, mature silent young men. Some were never the same. Dave Grissom, a cousin, a son of Bill Grissom, finally put his experiences in a book. It can be found at the veteran's museum in Laurel, Mississippi. Some arrived back home with beautiful young war brides from another state or distant port. Some wore purple hearts. Too many rest in Flanders field, on the rocky slopes of Italy or on some oppressive south sea island forever lost to family

Those who returned from the war found places like Stringer, Ms.. strangely small. It was too quiet. The old days and the old ways were gone forever. A new era had begun. New ideal took over. Family life took second place to the quest for material goods. Little towns like Stringer withered on the vine. All that is left nowadays is the post office, the school and the churches

THE RITUAL OF THE FIRST HARVEST

The first bale of cotton each Autumn is vividly remembered by all. Being the primary cash crop, that first bale afforded the family to purchase items from a summer-long wish list. There was no truck available in those early years so side boards were attached to the farm wagon to extend its height. This gave it the capacity for a full bale of the fluffy seed cotton. Long before sunrise, Jim and Nell would be hitched to the wagon for the slow four-mile pull to the cotton gin in the town of Stringer. I recall first being permitted to ride atop the tall load. The load would seem to sway from side to side, as the wheels moved along the dirt roadway. I remember screaming, "It's going to topple over and wreck!"

Pa preferred to take one of the family with him. He needed someone in the event there was trouble with the rig. As the riders neared town, each would peer around the curve, craning necks to check the line of wagons. Despite their nighttime start, several wagons were always lined up ahead of us. It seemed as though they had waited all night. As one bale was off-loaded, the wagons would move up a notch. Father and son took turns with the team. They did not want to lose their place in the line. Sometimes mechanical problems developed and the tempers of a few old farmers would get out of hand. Aided, perhaps, by too many sips of "snake medicine" purchased in a spot or two around town.

Several family members might accompany this first harvest. Everyone would want to help with the shopping. There were several general stores in the village. The first items on the shopping list were fresh kitchen staples. There were other important items; bolts of cloth and thread, school supplies, perhaps new shoes, hats, ammunition for the squirrel gun, a new purse, hopefully a pocket knife, and best of all a treat for the youngsters, fresh fruit and peppermint candy

When the ginning moved too slowly, the time was used to idle around the train depot, post office, grist mill, drug store and other local spots. Everyone was eager to catch up on all the local news. No one would dare call such chitchat gossip. There were relatives living in or near the town site. Grandpa Wade Stringer and his second wife, Alice Brown had moved to town just before 1900. His first wife had been Malvina Grissom. W. Marsh Stringer and his wife Frances Becky Grissom also lived near by. They formally had lived in Smith County next door to Becky's Uncle William Grissom. these folks and other kin were sure to be visited and checked on when Edd Stringer came to town.

These long wagon rides afforded father and son, the opportunity to talk. Edd explained on one such trip why Stringer was the name of the town. "Uncle John B. Stringer operated the one old country store or commissary. This plank building had "P. K." painted on its side. P .K. was the drop post office long before there was rural free delivery The Government dictated a change from just letters to a word so it became "Stringer, Ms.". There is folklore of a Mr. P. K. Stringer running the store but census and other records do not reveal such a name. John Stringer's second wife, Bettie Keyes as well as a son, Sloan Stringer appear in records as Postmasters before 1900. Also Viola Moss Stringer, wife of Dr. J. w. Stringer, served as Postmistress for a short time. Another relation, Frances "Aunt Minnie" Grissom Conner also served as Postmistress in the early years of the 1900s

Dr. Stringer is quoted in the 1935 WPA History of Jasper County as remembering the community was called "Albritton" before it was P. K. Perhaps for the Mr. Albritton once associated with the Wade Watermill that operated many years just to the west of Etahoma Swamp It is my opinion there was an earlier owner of the store whose initials were P. K.

Money usually was scarce around the Edd Stringer household. The kitchen and smokehouse were seldom without the essentials for a wholesome and generous meal. We thought ourselves deprived at times. Upon reflection,, all the nine children acknowledge our good upbringing, thanks to the unselfish love of William Edward and Mary Leatha Mauldin Stringer."

William Edward Stringer
Son Of
Malvina Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818 Malvina Grissom 1848]

1. **William Edward Stringer "Edd"**¹ the 5th son and the 7th child of Malvina Grissom and **Wade Stringer** was born² in 1883 in Ms.. He died³ on 3 Jul 1955 in Jasper Co. Ms. and was buried⁴ in Mathews Cem. Jones Co., Ms.. Edd's family home is now the residence of Royce Stringer ⁵ Royce is Edd's youngest son.

Ed married **Mary Leatha Mauldin**, daughter of Younger Mauldin and Lucinda Mc Kinley, on 7 Nov 1911 in Ellisville, Ms. Mary was born on 3 Oct 1893 in Jasper co Ms and was christened in Pleasant Home Bapt, Ch, Jones Co. Ms.. She died on 20 Aug. 1980 and was buried in Mathews Cem. Jones Co., Ms..

Edd Stringer and **Mary Leatha Mauldin** had the following children:

- M i. **William Lester Stringer** was born on 31 Jul 1912 in Jasper Co. Ms. and was baptized in Pleasant Home Bapt, Ch, Jones Co. Ms.. He died on 15 Mar 2000 in Bay Springs, Jasper County, Ms. and was buried⁶ on 19 Mar 2000 in Mathews Cem. Jones Co., Ms..
William married **Nettie Ishee**, daughter of Oscar Ishee and Docie Sanders, before 1937. Nettie died in 1996.
- M ii. **Marvin Vester Stringer** was born on 29 Sep. 1914 in Jasper Co. Ms and was baptized in Pleasant Home Bapt., Ch. Jones Co. Ms..
Marvin married **Pauline Holifield**, daughter of Albert Elisha Holifield and Almedia Hill, on 8 Feb 1945 in Jones Co. Ms..
- M iii. **Elvin Younger Stringer** was born on 27 Jun. 1917 in Jasper co Ms and was baptized in Stringer Ms Bapt Church. Elvin resided in Jasper Co. Ms.. Elvin married **Virginia Parker**, daughter of Henry Parker and Viola McCarty
- F iv. **Nobie Mae Stringer** was born on 8 May 1919. and was baptized at Pleasant Home .Bapt. Church Jones Co. Ms.
Nobie married **Lex Oree Moss**. Lex was born on 2 Jan 1917.
- F v. **Nezzie Mae Stringer** was born on 2 Jan 1922 in Jasper co Ms. and was baptized
Nezzie married **Tommie John Moore**, son of Frank Moore and Nell Grant.
Tommie was born on 16 Aug. 1921.
- F vi. **Annie Mae Stringer** was born on 28 Jun 1924 in Jasper co Ms and was baptized in Pleasant Home Bapt, Ch, Jones Co. Ms..
Annie married **B. F. Ishee**, son of Oscar Ishee and Docia Sanders. B. F. Ishee was born on 18 Aug. 1922. He died on 27 Mar 1979.

- M vii. **Dennis Edward Stringer** was born on 3 May 1927 in Jasper co Ms and was christened in the Methodist church.
Dennis married **Betty Ann Powers**, daughter of Winfred Scott Powers. The marriage ended in divorce.
- M viii. **James Ray Stringer** was born on 8 Jun. 1930 in Jasper Co. Ms. and was baptized in Pleasant Home Bapt., Ch, Jones Co. Ms..
James married **Maudell McLaurin**, daughter of D. L. McLaurin and Maudie Hill, in Jones Co. Ms..
- M ix. **Royce Truman "Johnny" Stringer** was born on 19 Aug. 1935 in Jasper Co. Ms. and was baptized in Pleasant Home Bapt., Ch, Jones Co. Ms..



[L to r James, Nobie, Elvin, Nezzie, Dennis, Marvin, Lester, Mary Leatha, Royce, Annie Mae, and William "Edd" Stringer]

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William Lester Stringer
Son of
William Edward Stringer

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818, Malvina Grissom 1848,
William Edward Grissom 1883]

1. **William Lester Stringer** the 1st son and the 1st child of **Mary Leatha Mauldin** and **William Edd Stringer** was born on 31 Jul 1912 in Jasper Co Ms. and was baptized in Pleasant Home Bapt, Ch, Jones Co. Ms.. He died on 15 Mar 2000 in Bay Springs, Jasper County, Ms. and was buried¹ on 19 Mar 2000 in Mathews Cem. Jones Co., Ms..

William married **Nettie Ishee**, daughter of Oscar Ishee and Docie Sanders, before 1937. Nettie died in 1996.

William Lester Stringer's career was with Masonite Corporation of Laurel, MS., from which he retired. Lester was an avid quail hunter and also enjoyed fishing as his hobbies.

William Lester Stringer and **Nettie Ishee** had the following children:

- M i. **Robert Dale Stringer** was born in Jan 1937.
 He had the following children
 Belinda Stringer
 Nathan Stringer
- F ii. **Marcia Gay Stringer** was born on 11 Jun 1951. She died on 11 Jun 1951 and
 was buried in Mathews Cem. Jones Co., Ms..

Appendix A - Sources

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Marvin Vester Stringer
Son of
William Edward Stringer

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818, Malvina Grissom 1848.
William Edd Grissom 1883]

1. **Marvin Vester Stringer**¹ the 2nd son and the 2nd child of Mary Leatha Mauldin and William Edd Stringer was born on 29 Sep 1914 in Jasper co Ms and was baptized in Pleasant Home Bapt, Ch, Jones Co. Ms..

Marvin married **Pauline Holifield**, daughter of Albert Elisha Holifield and Almedia Hill, on 8 Feb 1945 in Jones Co. b 2 Dec 1916 d 2 Dec 1996

Marvin Vester Stringer served in the **Army in WWII** and was seriously wounded in Northern Africa. He received the **Purple Heart**. The injuries restricted his career, although he was able to manage small poultry and cattle operations before full retirement. Fishing has been his dominant hobby for many years.

Marvin Vester Stringer and **Pauline Holifield** had the following children:

- + F i. **Sybil Ruth Stringer** was born on 29 Aug 1946.
- + M ii. **Delbert Sidney Stringer** was born on 28 Sep 1948.
- + F iii. **Sara Marlene Stringer** was born on 24 Feb 1954.

The Grandchildren of Marvin Vester Stringer

Marvin Vester Stringer and **Pauline Holifield** had the following grand children.

2. **Sybil Ruth Stringer**² the 1st daughter and the 1st child of Marvin Vester and Pauline Holifield married:

(1) **Donald B Myrick "Don"**. The marriage ended in divorce.

LOCALE: Sybil Ruth lives in Smith Co. Ms. [notes of Royce Stringer]

Sybil Ruth Stringer and **Donald B. Myrick** had the following children

- + M i. **Gregory D. Myrick** was born on 30 Aug 1967

(2) **Howard T. Jordan**. 2nd marriage for Sybil Ruth

They had the following children:

- F ii. **Anita Dawn Jordan** was born on 8 Jul 1974.

3. **Delbert Sidney Stringer** the 1st son and the 2nd child of Marvin Vester was born on 28 Sep 1948.

Delbert married **Linda Smith**.

They had the following children:

- F i. **Andrea Renee Stringer** was born on 7 May 1974.
- M ii. **Jonathan Edward Stringer** was born on 1 Feb 1977.
- M iii. **Eric Stephen Stringer** was born on 27 Aug 1983

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4. **Sara Marlene Stringer** the 2nd daughter and the 3rd daughter of **Marvin Vester** was born 24 Feb 1954 Sara lived in Smith Co. Ms.

Sara married **Riley Townsend**.

They had the following children:

- F i. **Melissa Townsend** was born on 4 Aug 1974.
M ii. **Jeremy Nathaniel Townsend** was born on 4 May 1979.
M iii. **Aaron Bradford Townsend** was born on 5 Sep 1981.

The Next Generation

Marvin Vester Stringer and **Pauline Holifield** had the following great grandchildren.

5. **Gregory D. Myrick "Greg"** (Sybil Ruth Stringer, Marvin Vester) was born³ on 30 Aug 1967.

Greg married **Cristol Shea Cochran**.

They had the following children:

- M i. **Derek Myrick**.
F ii. **Jalin Myrick**.

Appendix A - Sources

1. Stringer. Royce "Johnny", Wade A. Stringer Families .
2. Stringer. Royce "Johnny", Wade A. Stringer Families .
3. personal knowledge of Royce Stringer

LOOK WHO WERE IN LAUDERDALE COUNTY IN 1838

Lauderdale County Mississippi Tax Roll 1838

John Grisham-1 poll; tax-.37 ½.

William Stringer-1 poll; tax-.37 ½.

William Coats-1 poll; 5 slaves; tax-3.50

I do certify that this is a true list of the taxable property of the County of Lauderdale for the year 1838 and the amount due on each

person made out and brought forward as above.

August 15, 1838.

R.B.G. Harper, Ass. & Collector

Examined and found correct August 15, 1838.

A.B. Saunders, Auditor

Elvin Younger Stringer
Son of
William Edward Stringer

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818, Malvina Grissom 1848,
William Ed Stringer 1883]

1. **Elvin Younger Stringer** the 3rd son and the 3rd child of Mary Leatha Mauldin and William Ed Stringer was born¹ on 27 Jun 1917 in Jasper Co. Ms. and was baptized in Stringer Ms Bapt Church. Elvin resided in Jasper Co. Ms..Elvin Younger Stringer was a machinist by trade. He was employed by a defense factory in CT. prior to entering the **Navy in WWII** After the war he worked in **Norris Industries** of Laurel Jones Co.. Ms. Then later, he worked for **Bush Dairy** in the same area before retirement. As a young man, Elvin was known to play the mandolin. Occasionally he played gigs with a group of his friends.

Elvin married **Virginia Parker**, daughter of Henry Parker and Viola McCarty.

They had the following children:

- M i. **Stoney Mitchell Stringer** was born in Mar 1949.
- + F ii. **Nelda Stringer** was born on 4 Jun 1954.

The Next Generation

3. **Nelda Stringer** the only daughter and the 2nd child of Elvin Younger Stringer was born on 4 Jun 1954.

Nelda married **Marvin Jones**

They had the following children:

- F i. **Melonie, Jones** was born on 7 Jan 1981. Melonie married Duane Jennings at Stringer Baptist Church Dec., 2000. Her gand mother, Virginia was in attendance.

Source

1. personal knowledge of Royce Stringer

Nobie Mae Stringer
Daughter of
William Edward Stringer

[David Gresham, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818, Malvina Grissom 1848,
William Ed Stringer 1883]

1. **Mae Stringer** the 1st daughter and the 4th child of Mary L **Nobie** eatha Mauldin and William Ed Stringer was born on 8 May 1919. Nobie married **Lex Oree Moss**. Lex was born on 2 Jan 1917. Nobie and her husband purchased land adjacent to the Edd Stringer place. They operated a successful cattle, poultry and tree farm prior to retirement. Lex was also a carpenter . He and his crew constructed several homes in the neighborhood. Nobie enjoyed quilting at the community center. at Pleasant Home Baptist Church before being stricken with Alzheimer's. Nobie recalled being present when her granddad, Wade Stringer died. She vividly remembered nickels being placed on Grandpa's eyelids.

Nobie Mae Stringer and **Lex Oree Moss** had the following children:

- + F i. **Evelyn Carole Moss** was born in Oct 1940.
- F ii **Janie Louise Moss** was born on 9 Nov 1944.
- iii **Ina Joan Moss** born 18 Oct. 1946. Ina married **Jack Ronald Stevens**.

Grandchildren of Mary Leatha Mauldin and Wm Edd Stringer

2. **Evelyn Carole Moss** the 1st daughter and the 1st child of Nobie Mae Stringer and Lex Oree and granddaughter of Mary Leatha Mauldin and Wm Edd Stinger was born in Oct 1940 at Camp Allen Jasper Evelyn married **Sidney Ellis Hester**. Sidney was born on 24 Mar 1936 in Stringer Ms. Evelyn Carole Moss and Sidney Ellis Hester had the following children:

- + F i. **Tammye Ellise Hester** great-granddaughter of Mary Leatha Mauldin and Edd Stringer was born on 31 Oct 1959
- .+ M ii. **Sidney Delayne Hester** great-grandson of Mary Leatha Mauldin and Edd Stringer was born on 19 Mar 1963.
- M iii. **Keith Moss Hester** great-grandson of Mary Leatha Mauldin and Edd Stringer was born on 1 May 1965 Keith married **Terry Lowatta Mitchell**. Terry was born on 27 Oct 1967.

2. **Evelyn Carole Moss** the 1st daughter and the 1st child of Nobie Mae Stringer and Lee Oree and granddaughter of Mary Leatha Mauldin and Wm edd Stringer was born in Oct 1940 at Camp Allen Jasper. Ellen Married **Sidney Ellis Hester** Sidney was born 24 March 1936. Evelyn and Sidney Hester had the following children:

- + F. i. **Tammye Ellise Hester** great-great daughter of Mary Leatha Mauldin and Edd Stringer was born on 31 Oct. 1959
- + M ii. **Sidney Delayne Hester** great- great grandson of Mary Leatha Mauldin and Edd Stringer was born on 19 March 1963
- M iii **Keith Moss Hester** great-great grandson of Mary Leatha Mauldin and Edd Stringer was born on 1 May 1965. Keith married **Terry Lowatta Mitchell**.

3. **Janie Louise Moss** the 2nd daughter and the 2nd child of Nobie Mae Stringer and Lex Oree and the granddaughter of Mary Leatha Mauldin and Wm Edd Stringer was born on 9 Nov 1944 Janie resided

in Fayetteville, Ark. Janie married **George Ewell Osborne**. George was born 15 Aug 1940 Janie Louise Moss and **George Ewell Osborne** had the following child.

M i. **Roswell Wayne Osborne** the 1st son and the 1st child of Janie Louise Moss and George Ewell Osborne and the great-grandson of Mary Leatha Mauldin and Wm Edd Stringer was born on 16 Apr 1974.

Great grandchildren of Mary Leatha Mauldin and Edd Stringer

5. **Tammye Ellise Hester** (Evelyn Carole Moss, Nobie Mae Wm Edd Stringer) was born on 31 Oct 1959 Tammye died an untimely death from a brain seizure. Her children were adopted by their grandparents.

Carole and Ellis Hester [notes of Royce Stringer]

Tammye married **Jerry Gentry**. The marriage ended in divorce.

Jerry Gentry and Tammye had the following children:

M i. **Daniel Brant Gentry** great-great-grand son of Mary Leatha Mauldin and Wm. Edd Stringer was born on 6 Jan 1980 in Laurel Hospital, Laurel Ms..

F ii. **Brande Michelle Gentry** great-great-granddaughter of Mary Leatha Mauldin and Wm Edd Stringer was born on 28 Nov 1981 in Laurel Hospital, Laurel Ms..

6. **Sidney Delayne Hester** (Evelyn Carole Moss, Nobie Mae) was born on 19 Mar 1963.

Sidney married **Tonya Rachelle Brady**. Tonya was born on 19 Jul 1967 in Bay Springs, Jasper County, Ms. Sidney Delayne Hester and **Tonya Rachelle Brady** had the following children:

M i. **Sidney Seth Hester** great-great-grandson of Mary Leatha Mauldin and Wm Edd Stringer was born on 12 Jan 1989.

ii. **Deven Taylor Hester** great-great-grandchild of Mary Leatha Mauldin and Wm Edd Stringer was born on 28 Nov 1993.

....AND DID YOU KNOW?

WHO BRINGS HOME THE BACON AT YOUR HOUSE? Married couples who lived in Essex England in the 12th century could claim a side of bacon if they could prove they had spent the first year and a day of their life together without a quarrel or desire to separate. So, "bringing home the bacon" came to mean being successful. Also the phrase sometimes referred to the winners of greased pig competition at county fairs. A pig would feed a family for several meals. Today when we say "bring home the bacon" we usually mean the income that supports the family and buys the food.

ARE YOU EVER ON YOUR HIGH HORSE? Kings and knights used to ride impressive steeds. While women, clergy and others from a lower caste were relegated to using smaller saddle horses. Thus the high and mighty of society looked down on their subjects from "high horses" This phrase has come to mean being self - righteously indignant

DID YOUR GRANDMOTHER EVER CALL SOMEONE MAD AS A HATTER? Well we all know she was calling that person crazy. A nitrate of mercury was used by hat makers in the 17th century to treat felt. It affected the brain when inhaled. An Englishman named Robert Crab is said to have gone bonkers because of the chemical. He gave all his possession to the poor and lived on leaves and grass.

Nezzie M Stringer
Daughter of
William Ed Stringer

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818,
Malvina Grissom 1848, William Ed Stringer 1883]

1. **Nezzie Mae Stringer** the 2nd daughter and the 4th child of Mary Leatha Mauldin and William Ed Stringer was born on 2 Jan 1922 in Jasper co Ms

Nezzie married **Tommie John Moore**, son of Frank Moore and Nell Grant. Tommie was born on 16 Aug 1921. Nezzie and her husband Tommie owned a farm in the neighborhood and focused on cattle and timber, primarily. Tom was a welder and retired from **Drillco Corporation** an oil exploration company. Tom had a keen interest in horticulture. He and Nezzie enjoyed working with flowers as their hobby.

They had the following children:

- M i. **John Larry Moore** was born on 24 Mar 1944.
- + M ii. **Ted Sherrill Moore** was born on 24 Apr 1948.
- F iii. **Beverly Ann Moore**.

DEATH: "Beverly Ann died in her Senior Year at USM; unmarried [notes of Royce Stringer]

Next Generation

3. **Ted Sherrill Moore** The 2nd son and the 2nd child of Nezzie Mae William and grandson of Malvina Grissom was born on 24 Apr 1948.

Ted married **Sue Hinton**. Sue was born on 19 Dec.

They had the following child

- F i. **Lacy Moore** was born on 10 Jan 19

Annie Mae Stringer
Daughter of
William Ed Stringer

[David Grissom 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818 Malvina Grissom 1848,
William Edward "Edd" Stringer 1883]

1. **Annie Mae Stringer** the 3rd daughter and the 6th child of Mary Leatha Mauldin and William Edward "Edd" Stringer was born on 28 Jun 1924 in Jasper co Ms and was baptized in Pleasant Home Bapt, Ch, Jones Co. Ms.

Annie Mae Stringer married **B. F. Ishee**, son of Oscar Ishee and Docia Sanders. B. F. Ishee was born on 18 Aug 1922. Annie Mae Stringer and B. F. Ishee established their home on the Stringer place.

:["B. F. Ishee is the brother of Nettie Ishee who married William Lester Stringer. Annie Mae's brother.]

B. F. died of a heart attack Mar 27 1979 B. F. served in the **Special Services Branch of the Armed Forces of the United States**. This outfit was the forerunner of the Green Berets. B.F. saw action behind the German lines in northern Europe. He worked at **Masonite, Norris Industries** and other jobs before health problems forced retirement. Annie enjoys sewing, particularly quilting at the community center at Pleasant Home Baptist Church.

Annie Mae Stringer and **B. F. Ishee** had the following children:

- + F i. **Barbara Gail Ishee** was born on 26 Sep 1946.
- + F ii. **Linda Ann Ishee** was born on 29 Apr 1948. She died on 29 Apr 1948
- + F iii. **Sherry Maureen Ishee** was born on 21 Sep 1951
- + M iv. **Richard Douglas Ishee** was born on 15 Jun 1955.

Grandchildren of Mary Leatha Mauldin and William Ed Stringer

2. **Barbara Gail Ishee** the 1st daughter and the 1st child of Annie Mae Stringer and B. F. Ishee and granddaughter of Mary Leatha Mauldin and William Ed Stringer was born on 26 Sep 1946. Barbara married **Lewis Wayne Parker**, son of Donald McKinnon Parker and Barbara Hegood. Lewis was born on 19 Jul. 1946 in Hattiesburg, Ms.

Barbara Gail Ishee and Lewis Wayne Parker had the following children:

- + F i. **Tammy Kiann Parker** was born on 18 Nov 1972.

4. **Sherry Maureen Ishee** 3rd daughter and the 3rd child of Annie Mae Stringer and B. F. Ishee and grand daughter of Mary Leatha Mauldin and William Ed Stringer was born on 21 Sept 1951.

Sherry married **Raymond Burnis (Burnice) Graham**, son of Burnice Graham and Sherry. Raymond was born on 9 Apr 1947.

Sherry Maureen Ishee and Raymond Burnis Graham had the following children:

- + M i. **Brian Derek Graham** was born on 18 Jun 1972.
- M ii. **Adam Tate Graham** was born on 5 Jun 1979.

5. **Richard Douglas Ishee "Ricky"** the 1st son and the 5th child of Annie Mae Stringer and B. f. Ishee and grandson of Mary Leatha Mauldin and William Ed Stringer was born on 15 Jun 1955.

Ricky married **Nelda Jean Ishee**, daughter of Edgar Ishee and Doris. Nelda was born on 10 Mar 1956

MARRIAGE: Although Richard Douglas Ishee and Nelda Jean Ishee carry the same surname, their families are not related

[notes of Royce Stringer]

Richard Douglas Ishee and **Nelda Jean Ishee** had the following children:

- 9 F i. **Maria Sundown Ishee** was born on 20 Jul 1980.

Great grandchildren of Mary Leatha Mauldin and William "EDD" Stringer

6. **Tammy Kiann Parker** (Barbara Gail Ishee, Annie Mae Stringer, William "Edd" Stringer, Malvina Grissom) was born on 18 Nov 1972 in Jones Co. Ms.

Tammy was adopted in Jones Co. Ms..

Tammy married **Victor Buquoi "Vic"** on 22 Nov 1990

They had the following children:

- F i. **Tori Jan Buquoi** was born in 1992.
- ii. **Kylan Lewis Buquoi** was born in 1994.

7. **Brian Derek Graham** (Sherry Maureen Ishee, Annie Mae Stringer, William "Edd" Stringer, Malvina Grissom) was born on 18 Jun 1972.

Brian married **Crystal Cheri Street**.

They had the following child

- i. **Morgan Brianna Graham** was born in Nov 1994.

Dennis Edward Stringer

Son of

William Ed Stringer

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom, Malvina Grissom 1848,
William Edward "Edd" stringer]

Dennis Edward Stringer the 4th son and the 7th child of Mary Leatha Mauldin and William Ed Stringer was born on 3 May 1927 in Jasper co Ms and was christened a Methodist.



Dennis married **Betty Ann Powers**, daughter of Winfred Scott Powers. The marriage ended in divorce. After serving in the **Navy**, earned a degree in Poultry Science from **Mississippi State**. His entire career was with **USDA**. He served as a **National Market News Supervisor** in Atlanta Georgia. He was living in Atlanta at the time of his retirement. His children and grandchildren live in Georgia. He makes his home in Walton Co. Georgia. He serves as adjutant for his local American Legion Post.

Dennis Edward Stringer and Betty Ann Powers had the following children.

- i. **Evelyn Denise Stringer** born 18 Dec 1952
- ii **Perry Winfield Stringer** born 28 Jul 195

Grandchildren of Mary Leatha Mauldin and William Ed Stringer

2. **Evelyn Denise Stringer** the 1st daughter and the 1st child of Betty Ann Powers and Dennis Edward Stringer and granddaughter of Mary Leatha Mauldin and William ED Stringer was born on 18 Dec 1952. Evelyn Denise Stringer married Bart Rice.

Evelyn Denise Stringer and **Bart Rice** had the following children: These are the great grandchildren of Mary Leatha Mauldin and William Ed Stringer

- M i. **Jason Rice** was born on 12 Sep 1977.
- F ii. **Jessica Rice** was born on 19 Feb 1980.
- F iii. **Melissa Rice** was born on 4 Sep 1982.

3. **Perry Winfield Stringer** the 1st son and the 2nd child of Betty Ann Powers and Dennis Edward Stringer and grandson Mary Leatha Mauldin and William Ed Stringer was born on 28 Jul 1952. Perry married **Cheri Chambers**. The marriage ended in divorce. They had the following children: the great grand children of Mary Leatha Mauldin and Edd Stringer.

Perry married **Cheri Chambers**. The marriage ended in divorce .They had the following children. These are the great grand children of Mary Leatha Mauldin and Edd Stringer.

- M i. **Zackery Winfield Stringer** was born on 14 May 1985.
- M ii. **Brenton Edward Stringer** was born on 13 Oct 1986

James Ray Stringer
Son of
William Edward Stringer

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818, Malvina Grissom 1848,
William Edward "Edd" Stringer 1883]

1. **James Ray Stringer** the 5th son and the 8th child of **Mary Leatha Mauldin** and **William Edd Stringer** was born on 8 Jun 1930 in Jasper Co. Ms. and was baptized in Pleasant Home Bapt, Ch, Jones Co. Ms..

James married **Maudell McLaurin**, daughter of D. L. McLaurin and Maudie Hill, in Jones Co. Ms. James served in the **Air Force** before returning home to earn a degree in Agronomy from Mississippi State. He and his wife purchased the Stringer farm following the death of Wm. Edd Stringer. He initiated a cattle operation. James later accepted employment as a food inspector with USDA.. He retired from this post. James has two major hobbies, hunting and fishing ..[Both Eddie and Terri have succeeded this year [2001] in locating their birth parents].

James Ray Stringer and **Maudell McLaurin** had the following adopted children:

- M i. **Edward Eddie L. Stringer** was born on 18 Jul 1967
- + F ii. **Terri Stringer** was born on 1 Oct 1969.

Second Generation

3. **Terri Stringer** The daughter of James Ray Stringer and the granddaughter of Edd Stringer was born on 1 Oct. 1969.

Terri married **Patrick McNeill**. The marriage ended in divorce.

They had the following children:

- F i. **Ashley McNeill** was born on 17 May 1989.
- M ii. **James Michael McNeill** was born on 1 Apr 1990.

Royce Truman "Johnny" Stringer

Son of

William Edward "EDD" Stringer

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818, Malvina Grissom 1848,
William Edd Stringer 1883]

1. **Royce Truman "Johnny" Stringer** the 6th son and the 9th child of Mary Leatha Mauldin and William Edward "Edd" Stringer was born on 19 Aug 1935 in Jasper Co. Ms. and was baptized at Pleasant Home Bapt, Ch, Jones Co. Ms..

Royce obtained a degree in agriculture from **Mississippi State**. His career was with the Southeast Regional Office of the Food and Nutrition Service, **USDA Atlanta Georgia**. He retired as a Supervisor of Budget and Analysis. Royce retired to the old Stringer farmhouse in Jasper Co. Ms where he makes his home. His hobbies include genealogy, golf and participation in the state color guard of the Sons of the American Revolution. Royce was a major contributor to the **Jasper County Cemetery Book** recently published. It has proved to be a very helpful aid..



[L to R Royce Stringer, Wayne Wright, Barbara Knotts DAR. And Clint Calhoun Welborn]

[h] Rufus Stringer

Rufus Stringer

Son of

Malvina Stringer

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818, Malvina Grissom 1848]

1. **Rufus Stringer**¹ the 6th son and the 8th child of Malvina Grissom and **Wade Stringer** was born² on 12 Jul 1884 in Ms.. He died³ on 9 Oct 1963 in Ms. and was buried in Shady Grove Bapt. Ch. Cem. Jones Co. Ms.

Rufus married **Pattie Jordan**. Pattie was born on 7 Jul 1894. She died on 1 Sep 1981 and was buried in Shady Grove Bapt Ch. Cem. Jones Co. Ms..

Rufus Stringer and Pattie Jordan had the following children:

M i. **Roland Stringer** was born in 1913. He died about 1944.

Roland served in the military killed in Action in WW II in Italy.

F ii. **Elmira Stringer** was born in 1916.

Elmira married **Burl Simpson**.

F iii. **Myrtle Stringer** was born in 1919. was buried in Shady Grove Bapt Ch. Cem. Jones Co. Ms..

M iv. **Oree Stringer** was born on 29 Feb 1920.

Oree served in the military 54th Armored Div. in European Theater WWII.

+ M v. **O. C. Stringer** was born in 1923.

+ F vi. **Lucile Stringer** was born in 1924.

+ F vii. **Odette Stringer** was born in 1925.

M viii. **Robert Stringer**.

Robert married **Maxine**.

F ix. **Dorothy Stringer**.

[According to Royce Stringer Dorothy Stringer and Horace Phillips had 6 children all who are unknown to him]

Dorothy Stringer married **Horace Phillips**.

Next Generation

6. **O. C. Stringer** the 3rd son and the 5th child of Rufus Stringer 1884, and the grandson of Malvina Grissom was born in 1923.

O. C. Stringer married **Minerva Robinson**. They had the following children:

M i. **William Edward Stringer** was born in 1947.

7. **Lucile Stringer** the 3rd daughter and the 7th child of Rufus Stringer and the granddaughter of Malvina Grissom was born in 1924

Lucile Stringer married

(1) **Johnny Ross**. The marriage ended in divorce.

Johnny Ross and Lucile Stringer had the following children:

F i. **Sue Ross**.

Lucile Stringer also married

(2) **Broadhead**. They had the following children:.

F ii. **Linda Broadhead**.

F iii. **Brenda Broadhead**.

F iv. **Judy Broadhead**.

F v. **Gail Broadhead**.

vi. **Unknown Broadhead**.

DEATH: This Broadhead died when hit by a drunk driver's car.notes of Royce Stringer]

8. **Odette Stringer** the 4th daughter and the 8th child of Rufus Stringer and the granddaughter of Malvina Grissom was born in 1925.

Odette married **Francis C. Bush**. They had the following children

F i. **Mary Frances Bush**.

F ii. **Betty Bush**.

M iii. **Talmadge Bush "Terry"**.

M iv. **Robert Clifton Bush "Bobby"**.

M v. **Dennis Randell Bush**.

F vi. **Janice Marie Bush**.

F vii. **Rachel Ann Bush**.

Next Generation

11. **William Edward Stringer** the only son and the only child of O. C. Stringer grandson of Rufus Stringer and great grandson of Malvina Grissom was born in 1947.

William married **Reta Dianne Hinton**. They had the following children

i. **Lacy Cathlene Stringer**.

M ii. **Douglas Edward Stringer**.

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HISTORY OF JASPER COUNTY

"...Garlandville is perhaps the oldest town in the south as it was the capitol of the Choctaw Nation until 1824 when General LeFlore was elected chief, when it was moved to French camp.

It is the only county in the state that has two old highways crossing in it. The oldest highway in the state 'Old Jackson Military Highway [US 11] and the 'Three Chopped Way' crosses three miles north of Bay Springs on the old Holder Place. The old Jackson road, the records say from New Orleans to Nashville but at first from New Orleans to Garlandville. [after the whites came]. The Three Chopped Way from Savanna Ga. to Natchez was one of the 1st mail routes and was the 1st road through Alabama. Creek Indians wouldn't allow a tree cut in their territory 'til old Sam Dale conferred with them. Most of the settlers from the east came over this road.

"[page10] ...The other old highway The Three chopped Way which the whites [missionaries] traveled to Natchez...the 1st settlers who came...brought their household goods on horse back and some rolled it in barrels.

"...'In the early days after the county was formed [Jasper] my father came from South Carolina and settled near Rocky Mount [6 miles southwest of Paulding]. He soon decided he wanted to move on the Three Chopped Way where he could see more people. I remember the old hand carved mile boards marked from Raleigh to Enterprise. We could see all kinds of traveling wagons, horseback, walking whites and Indians. I still live on this highway near Antioch Church' ...J. O. Bishop "

LIFE & TIMES OF General Samuel Dale...Claiborne [1860] p. 84

"...About that time a brisk emigration from Georgia and the Carolina through the Creek and Choctaw country to the Ms Territory began. I put three wagons and teams in the business, contracting for the transportation of families and bringing back with me to Savannah return loads of Indian produce.

In 1803 Colonel Wm. Barnet, Buchner Harris and Roderic Easley were commissioned by the President [Jefferson] to mark out a highway through the Cherokee Nation. Ellick Saunders, a half blood and I were selected as guides. The road having been established, I united with Jo. Boffinton, a half blood and set up a trading post on High tower River among the Cherokees. We chiefly exchanged our goods for peltries which we wagoned to Charleston"...S. Dale

**FRANCES GRESHAM
DAUGHTER OF
JAMES GRISSOM**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, James Grissom 1818

1. **Frances Grissom** "Becky"¹ the 2nd daughter and the 6th child of Sarah Hinton and James Grissom was born² 1850 in Ms. She died³ 22 Mar 1919 and was buried⁴ in Providence Bapt. Ch. Cemetery, Jasper Co. Ms..Becky married **W. M. Marsh Stringer** on or prior to 1875 in Ms.. W. M. Marsh Stringer died about 1910 and was buried in Providence Bapt. Ch. Cemetery, Jasper Co. Ms..At one time both her brother Benj "Snap" and her sister Emily Grissom resided with her.

Frances "Becky" Grissom and **W. M. Marsh Stringer** had the following children:

- F i. **Ellen Stringer**⁵ was born 1876 in Jasper Co Ms. She died 1954 in Stringer, Ms and was buried in Providence Bapt. Ch. Cemetery, Jasper Co. Ms..
Ellen resided 1945 in Stringer, Mississippi.
Ellen married **John M. Ford**. [B.1873 d.1969 buried at Providence Prim Bapt. Ch. Cem. Stringer, Ms.]
- M ii. **W M Marsh Stringer Jr.**⁶ was born 8 Nov 1885 in Stringer, Ms. He died 8 Apr 1951 in Stringer, Ms and was buried⁷ in Providence Bapt. Ch. Cemetery, Jasper Co. Ms..

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BENJAMIN SNAP GRISSOM
SON OF
JAMES GRISSOM

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, James Grissom 1818]

1. **Benjamin Gresham "Snap"**¹ the 4th son and the 7th child of Sarah Hinton and James Grissom was born² Aug 1853 in Ms. He died³ 5 Mar 1921 in Summerland Smith Co Ms and was buried in Clear Creek Bapt. Church Cem Smith Co Ms..Snap married **Abagale "Abbie" Crosby** Grissom about 1895 in Ms.. Abagale died⁴ 24 Jul 1903 and was buried in Clear Creek Bapt. Church Cem Smith Co Ms. In 1880 "Snap" is found living in the home of his sister Frances "Becky" Grissom. She is the wife of Marsh Stringer..

Snap and Abbie Crosby had the following children:

M i **Deavors (D. C.) Grissom**⁵ was born 2 Mar 1896 in Taylorsville Ms. He died 1995 Deavors lived on the home place of his grandfather James Grissom b 1819 James acquired the land⁶ in 1854 in Jones Co. Ms.

F ii **Ophia Grissom Welch**⁷ was born 14 Feb 1902 in Taylorsville Ophia resided⁸ in Laurel, Ms Ophia married **L. L. Welch**⁹.



[Note] There is information on the Web Site for **Family Search** that is incorrect. This Benjamin Grissom is confused with another Benjamin Grissom. The other Benjamin Grissom is married to a Mary Ducksworth. He is not a son of James Grissom as recorded at Family Search. The information as to parents recorded here is correct. [The other Benj. C. Grissom who married Mary Duckworth was a son of William Grissom. William is the brother of James and is recorded elsewhere in this book.]

Another point of interest: It is the Deavors Grissom listed here, whose deposition is found above and in the Appendix. This document has been a source of confirmation on many points of this family history.

[Note] 23 Nov 1986 a phone call to Wilson and Frances Grissom of Gulf Breeze, Fla elicited from Frances Grissom that "some 15-20 years ago Wilson Grissom, James Grissom, and Lester Welch traced the family back some 4 or 5 generation and they have copy

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[6] Joshua Grissom [b1853]

JOSHUA GRISSOM
SON OF
JAMES GRISSOM

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James 1818]

1. **Joshua Gresham**¹ the 5th son and the 8th child of Sarah Hinton and James Grissom was born² 1856 in Ms. He died³ abt 1923 [1932] in Stringer, Ms. and was buried⁴ in Providence Primitive Bapt Church Cemetery Stringer, Ms..

Joshua married (1) **Alice Martin**. Joshua also married (2) **Betty Knight**⁵. Betty died 30 Jul 1945.

They had the following children:

- i. **James Albert Gresham "Jim"**⁶ was born⁷ 17 Mar 1889 in Stringer, Jasper Co. Ms.. He died⁸ 13 Jul 1962 and was buried⁹ in Providence Primitive Bapt Church Cemetery Stringer, Ms..

Jim resided¹⁰ 1945 in the house pictured. Rte one Stringer, Ms..

John Gresham¹¹ was born¹² about 1890 in Stringer, Ms.. He died¹³ 1952 and was buried¹⁴ in Providence Primitive Bapt Church Cemetery Stringer, Ms..

John resided¹⁵ 1945 in Rte. one Stringer, Ms..



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**MARY J GRISSOM
DAUGHTER OF
JAMES GRISSOM**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, James Grissom 1818

1. **Mary J. Grissom**¹ the 4th daughter and the 9th child of Sarah Hinton and James Grissom was born 1859 in Jasper Co. Ms.. She died about 1918 in Smith County, Ms..

Mary married **Wyatt Knight**². Wyatt died about 1940 in Jones Co. Ms..

Mary Jane Grissom and **Wyatt Knight** had the following children:

- | | | |
|---|------|---|
| F | i. | Alice Knight was born ³ about 1880.
Alice resided ⁴ 1945 in Taylorsville Smith Co. Ms..
Alice married John Nobles ⁵ . |
| M | ii. | Robert D. Knight ⁶ was born about 1885.
Robert resided ⁷ 1945 in 408 Short 7th Ave, Laurel Ms. He resided 407 Short 7th Ave. 1945 in Laurel, Ms.. |
| F | iii. | Doni Knight ⁸ was born about 1887.
Doni resided ⁹ 1945 in Wisner, La..
Doni married P. G.. Hegwood . |
| F | iv. | Onia Knight ¹⁰ was born about 1891.
Onia resided ¹¹ 1945 in Charlotte, N. Car..
Onia married Mike Perrino . |
| M | v. | John Knight ¹² was born about 1895.
John resided ¹³ 1945 in Sumrall, Ms.. |
| M | vi. | E. A. Knight ¹⁴ was born about 1897.
E. A. Knight resided ¹⁵ 1945 in Jackson, Ms.. |
| F | vii. | Hattie Knight ¹⁶ was born about 1898.
Hattie resided ¹⁷ 1945 in 1815 Barksdale Bend, Rosier City, La.. Hattie married Eddie Renfoe |

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EARLY DAYS IN THE PINEY WOODS

Mississippi in the early days was 90% primeval forest. Here and there the Indians had a few clearings where they practiced subsistence farming. The trees were well spaced, large and their canopies shaded out the underbrush. "Early settlers in the state have remarked that it was possible to ride a horse full gallop through the woods" [A HISTORY OF MISSISSIPPI Vol I Ed R. A. McLemore]. And so it would have been when this Grissom family first settled there.

Roads were primitive. They usually followed Indian trails or animal traces. There were but two "roads" that traversed the state; the Natchez Trace and the Jackson Military Road. The Trace extended from Natchez to Nashville Tennessee It was little more than a well traveled Indian trail. It exists today as a beautiful two lane National Parkway. The Military Road ran from New Orleans La. To Muscle Shoals Alabama. It became part of US Hwy 11 and eventually Interstate 59.

Many of the earliest inhabitants of the area were bushwhackers, In fact Kemper County was actually named for one. He was Reuben Kemper. Around 1811 Kemper led a group of men on an attack of Spanish Mobile. These fellows were full of liquid spirits and bungled their attempt. Most of them were killed in the escapade. Kemper was honored for his daring. [see reference above]

Not much had changed when some 20 or more years later the Grissom family made the trek from Georgia to the newly formed counties made up of former Indian lands. There were a few more roads but they were still pretty rough. Stage coach lines did not relish them. The stage coach business did not flourish. It was next to nonexistent.

There may have been beautiful mansions in the state, but in the eastern Mississippi woodlands, that was not the case. Rural homesteads of yeomen farmers would have been made of logs. Isham Grissom appears to be of this class. His home in Mississippi in all likelihood was of this type. Indeed his grandson, G. W. Grissom continued to build his home of logs well after the War of Rebellion. George Washington Grissom was still living in a log cabin in Jasper County Ms in 1920, the year that he died. If you were one of the early settlers, you would look for a spring or a creek . You would want a fresh water supply on the land that you claimed. Springs were best. Their waters were icy cold. Nice to quench a thirst on a hot summer day.

Emily Grissom
Daughter of
James Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, James Grissom 1818]

1. **Emily Grissom**¹ the 5th daughter and the 10th child of Sarah Hinton and James Grissom was born in 1860 in Ms. She died about 1939 in Jones Co. Ms. Emily appears as Rebecca E Grissom on the 1880 census for the Marsh Stringer home. Marsh's wife was Frances "Becky" Grissom. Becky was a sister of Emily's. Emily is listed as 17 in 1880.

Emily married **Steve Hilburn**. [Emily, who appears as Emma on some records, was a 2nd wife of Steve Hilburn. Only Eretta Hilburn and Velma Hilburn are Emily's children by birth.

Note A Steve Hilburn died about 1967 in Jones Co..Ms. This Steve may have descended from this family.

Steve Hilburn had the following children:

- F i. **Persadie Hilburn**² was born abt 1892
- M ii. **Bruce Hilburn** was born in 1894.
- M iii. **Dannie Hilburn** was born about 1896.
- M iv. **William Hilburn** was born about 1899.

Emily Grissom and Steve Hilburn had the following children

- F v. **Eretta Hilburn** was born about 1906.
- F vi. **Velma Hilburn**² was born in 1908. She died in 1940.

Velma married **R. W. Russell** .

R. W. Russell resided in 1945 in Soso,

[Note Contact has recently been made with possible descendants of Emily.
More information may be forthcoming]

Sources

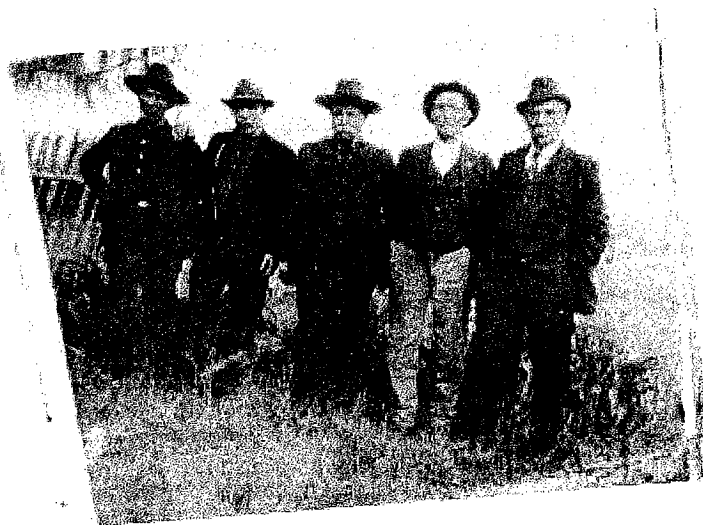
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[B] THE FAMILY OF WILLIAM GRISSOM SON OF ISHAM GRISSOM

Since their Findings for the family of James Grissom Seemed accurate, the cousins Katherine Gregg, Royce Stringer and Cecil Grissom proceeded documenting the other members of Isham Grissom's family. Their primary concern was the descendants of the two Brothers James Grissom and William Grissom. [See the James Grissom Family above.] Information on the William Grissom Family appears below



Headstone Clear Creek Cemetery Smith County Ms



L to R Reuben, Joe, Robert Calvin, unknown, Wade
Monroe sons of William Grissom see above



THE WILLIAM MONROE GRISSOM HOME

“.....Our house was an old one. It was a frame house with a porch across the front, a wide hallway down the middle, rooms on each side of the hall, a well at the end of the hall, a back porch with some old storerooms. The roof was white oak shingles. [I remember, I think when I was twelve, riving shingles with a frow to help re-roof a portion of the house] There were leaves to rake but no grass to mow. The yard was clean - we swept it like the house.

The well, our source of water, was forty to fifty feet deep. Water was drawn by a cylindrical bucket about three and one-half feet high and six inches in diameter, with a valve in the bottom, a hand-operated windlass raised and lowered the bucket.....

“Toilet facilities were out of doors. Fireplaces provided the heat and cooking was done on a wood stove. Oak was used for heating the house and pine was fuel for the stove, Pine produced the quicker fire, but oak was more enduring. In both cases ‘fat lightered’ was the heart of old pine stumps or logs, very high in resinous material, and quick to ignite. Light was provided by kerosene lamps. Power failures consisted of running out of kerosene or using up the wicks.

By today’ standards we would be considered extremely poor, but I didn’t now that we were that poor - we were about average for the landowners in the community
...The memories of many of the details of my early life have faded - yet some of my early activities are indelibly etched in my mind. Actually, except for the emphasis my parents placed on my education, the home life for my brothers and sisters and me was typical of farm life in the twenties and thirties.

As early as I can remember it was my job to light the fires in the morning. A person of the present generation cannot conceive of the speed with which you could light a fire on a cold morning and get back under the quilts.

Milking was a chore that I inherited at an early age [one of the most pleasant thoughts I have nowadays when the weather is bad is knowing I don’t have to get up early and milk a cow. An old cow’s swishing tail, loaded with cockleburs, and slightly iced up on a cold morning can

leave an imprint on one' mind to say nothing of the side of your face when it comes around.] To my great joy, my sister, Katherine assumed many of the milking chores at an early age.

...My great grandfather had settled here about 1850. As the area developed the community became known as **Grissom's Crossing**. [Courthouse records show it as 'The Town of Grissom'] I have no record or knowledge of the events' accounting for the adoption of the name 'Summerland.' Apparently this took place just before or near the turn of the century and may have been associated with the development of a sawmill town. My earliest memories of Summerland were of a community whose economic life revolved around the sawmill activity but also a community dependent on many small farmers. In the 1920s Summerland was a town with six or seven stores [including one drug store], a large sawmill, a railroad depot, a twelve - year school, a post office, and a church. The town peaked economically when the sawmill activity was at its height. As that activity waned, so did the economic life of the community. Although the death of the community could probably have been forecast at the time the sawmills had cut over, it was the plight of the farmer after 1929 that dealt the final blow to the town. By 1930 any diagnostician would have suggested that Summerland was afflicted with a terminal illness. Just as surely as the town was dying, so was agriculture as I had known it . . . but that is another story."

[Excerpts from

CROSSING THE CREEK by Perrin H. Grissom [used by permission of his sister Katherine Gregg] Delta Press, P.O. Box 6, Stoneville, Mississippi 38776]

OTHER MEMORIES

Katherine Gregg also has fond memories of this home. She recalls milking those cows that Perrin talks about. She also recalls taking care of the yard. Katherine has always enjoyed working in a yard. She has a beautiful flower garden at her present home nearby this family site. Katherine always preferred working in the yard to doing household chores. One reward for this outdoor effort is her constant supply of cut flowers. This bounty is usually found decorating the sanctuary of the Summerland Baptist Church. Katherine has charge of the flowers one Sunday each month.

The family home is still a gathering place for the members of this family. For many years, it has been the custom for those nearby to gather at lunch time. They would share a meal together. Wendell Grissom, a younger brother was the chief cook. Katherine had the task of baking the corn bread. This staple was prepared and served at every meal that these "kids" shared. Wendell prepared every bit of the rest of the meal, including the dessert. One of the favorite desserts was the cake that he would bake.

The veggies are always fresh. They come directly from the garden during the growing season. They come from the freezer the rest of the year.

RUTH CATHERINE STRINGER WIFE OF WADE MONROE GRISSOM





[l to r Kenneth Leon Gregg, Donna Gregg Gibbs, Susan Gregg Clark, Katherine Grissom Gregg, Janis Gregg parker, Margarett Gregg Whobrey, Judy Gregg Neville]



[Lt Jg. Leon Benjamin Gregg, deceased, husband of Katherine Grissom and father of the children above]

**THE FAMILY
OF
WILLIAM GRISSOM**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780]

1. **William Grissom** the 4th son and the 4th child of Elizabeth Maloney [?] and Isham Gresham was born¹ on 7 Dec 1819 in Ga. He died² on 16 May 1886 in Summerland Smith Co. Ms. and was buried³ in Clear Creek Cemetery Taylorsville Rte. 3 Smith Co. Ms..His grave marker can still be viewed there.[see page 98 above]

William served in the military **Co F 7th Batt Ms Infantry⁴ 1862 - 1864 in C.S.A..**

BIOGRAPHY. A W. GRISSOM appears on the 1840 Kemper Co. Ms. Census. Katherine Grissom Gregg believes this is William Grissom, a son of Elizabeth Merrosanne [Maloney] and **Isham Grissom**. An Edward Grissom and a George Grissom are also in Kemper County in 1840. Neither of these two appear to be members of the Isham Gresham family.

William Grissom was in Perry Co. Ala. in 1846. William married⁶ **Nancy Tubbs**⁵ a daughter of Cecilia and Jeremiah Tubbs, on 18 Aug. 1846. In Perry Co. Ala. The marriage certificate for Nancy Tubbs and William Grissom is extant. [See Appendix II]. Nancy was born⁷ in 1825 in Perry Co. Ala.. She died in Summerland Smith Co. Ms. and was buried⁸ in Clear Creek Taylorsville Rte 3 Smith Co. Ms.

In 1850 William is found in Lauderdale Co. Ms. Lauderdale and Kemper Counties adjoin. There is a Gresham family cluster to be found in Kemper Co. at this time. Shortly after 1850 this family removes to Jasper Co. Ms. Around 1854 they left Jasper Co. Ms. and settled at **Grissom's Crossing** in Smith County Ms. This is to be the place where the family will settle. Grissom's Crossings later became known as Summerland Smith Co. Ms.

William's mother, Elizabeth [Maloney?] Grissom and other kinfolk are near by. Many members of William's extended families are to be found in the surrounding area today.

William Grissom and **Nancy Tubbs** had the following children:

- M i. **John Grissom** the 1st son was born in 1849 in Lauderdale Co
- M ii. **Wade Monroe Grissom** the 2nd son born on 10 Sep. 1854 in Jasper Co Ms.. He died¹² in 1924 in Smith Co.
- M iii. **Benjamin C. Grissom** the 3rd son was born in 1856.
He married **Mary J. Duckworth** on 4 Dec. 1877 in Scott County Ms.
- M iv. **Thomas Nathaniel Grissom** the 4th son was born in 1858 in Grissom's Crossing, Smith Co.. M
- M v. **Robert Calvin Grissom** the 5th son was born on 25 Mar 1861 in Grissom's Crossing, Smith Co Ms.. He died¹⁵ on 31 Mar 1938 in Richards, Texas and was buried¹⁶ in Walker Plot Ebenezer Cemetery.
- M vi. **Joseph Grissom** the 6th son of Nancy Tubbs and William Grissom was born²³ on 29 Oct. 1864. He died in Feb 1941 and was buried in Natchez, Ms..

- F vii. **Mary Ann Belinda Grissom** the 7th child and the 1st daughter was born in 1865.
- M viii. **Reuben Washington Grissom** the 7th son and the 8th child was born on 30 Oct. 1868 in Smith Co Ms.. He died on 2 Nov. 1943 in Pools Cemetery, Montgomery Co. TX

Sources

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2. Katherine Gregg records, 16 May 2000.
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4. WILLIAM GRISSOM MUSTER ROLL, 25 Sep 2000, MISSISSIPPI DEPT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY, P. O. Box 571, Jackson, Ms. , 39205-0571. There are several different surviving muster tickets.
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10. Ibid
11. 1900 Jones Co. Ms. Census, Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers, Taylorsville Ms. "...L. 87 30-30 Head Grissom Wade M b Sept 1854- Ms. [45]." If record is correct., Wade would be 45 in 1900. He is living in the Jones County portion of Summerland Ms.
12. Katherine Gregg records, 7 Aug 2000



GRISSOM GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Bill Grissom will celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary on August 18, at their home in Summerland.

They will be honored with an open house by their sons and daughters: Mr. Perrin Grissom of Leland, Mississippi, Mrs. Leon (Katherine Jane) Gregg, Mr. Edwin Grissom both of Summerland, Mr. James Henry Grissom of Cleveland, Ohio,

Mr. Richard (Marilyn) Meadows of New Orleans, La., Mrs. B. F. (Billie Rose) Harrison and Mr. Wendell Grissom both of Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Grissom were married in Raleigh, Mississippi. Mrs. Grissom is the former Cordie Rogers, daughter of Mrs. Jane Rogers of Chicago, Illinois and the late Henry Rogers of Mize, Mississippi.

Mr. Grissom is the son of the late Wade M. and Katherine Stranger Grissom of Summerland.

[1] John Grissom [b1849]

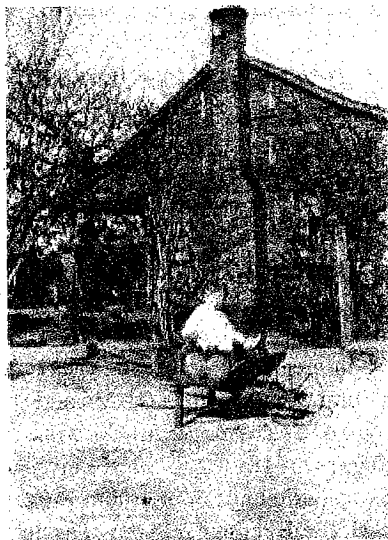
**JOHN GRISSOM
SON OF
WILLIAM GRISSOM**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham 1780, William 1819]

John Grissom the 1st child and the 1st son of Nancy Tubbs and William Grissom¹ was born² 1849 in Lauderdale Co. Ms. He appears on the 1850 Lauderdale County Census. He is not found with this family on the 1860 Census. The family has moved from Lauderdale County, Mississippi to the Tri-County area of Jasper, Jones and Smith Counties. It would seem that this child died in infancy.

Sources

1. 1850 Lauderdale co Ms Census, Roll #375, 25 Sep 2000, Lauderdale Co Ms Courthouse, Meridian Ms. Shows John A, 1 yr old male Br in Ms living in William Grissom household.
2. Ibid. Assumed birth year.



Wade Grissom House

Description: Wade Grissom was a grandson of Isham Gresham. His daddy was William Grissom. This house has long been gone. A Moore Family lives on the spot now. The old Hinton cemetery is also located on the property. The little fellow in the wheel barrow is Perrin Grissom. He is Katherine Grissom Gregg's oldest brother, b 5 Sept 1919

**WADE MONROE GRISSOM
SON OF
WILLIAM GRISSOM**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom, William Grissom 1819]

1. **Wade Monroe Grissom** the 2nd son and the 2nd child of Nancy Tubbs and William Grissom was born¹ 10 Sep 1854 in Jasper Co Ms.. Wade lived on the family farm in Summerland Wade would have been 7 or 8 years old, when his father, William Grissom left his family alone William went off to fight **the War Between the States**. Wade Monroe Grissom died² 1924 in Summerland, Smith Co. Ms. and was buried in Summerland Bapt. Church Cem.. Wade was abt. 70 years old at the time of his death



He married Ruth Catherine Stringer [b Jan 1859], the daughter of James Shepard Monroe Stringer [b1820] and Percilla Allen Stringer [b1829-d 19 Apr. 1893 buried in Union Cemetery] Ruth Catherine Stringer died in Summerland Smith Co Ms and was buried in Summerland Bapt Church Cemetery. Of all his children listed here, it is the family of his 3rd child William Monroe Grissom that is developed in these pages. Wade Monroe Grissom's children began the search for their family history

Wade Monroe Grissom and Ruth Catherine Stringer had the following children:

- i. **Flora Idella Grissom** was born 13 Sep 1879 in Summerland Smith Co Ms.

Flora married Luther Reed Gilmore on 6 Jan 1893 in Ms..

F

- ii. **Lula C Grissom** was born 14 Aug 1881. She died in Petal RFD Rt. Jones Co. Ms. and was buried in Union Bapt. Church, RFD Rt. Jones Co. Ms..

Lula married William Andrew Williams on 14 Feb 1897 in Ms.. William died in Petal RFD Rt. Jones Co. Ms. and was buried in Union Bapt. Church, RFD Rt. Jones Co. Ms..

M

- iii. **William Monroe Grissom** was born 27 May 1884 in Summerland, Smith Co. Ms.. He died 2 Feb 1980 in Summerland Smith Co Ms and was buried in Summerland Bapt. Ch. Cem. Smith Co. Ms..

William married **Cordie Belle Rogers** on 18 Aug 1919 in Smith co Ms. Cordie died 1982 in Summerland, Smith co. Ms. and was buried in Summerland Bapt. Ch. Cem. Smith Co. Ms..

F

- iv. **Mellie Bertha Grissom** was born 22 Jan 1886.

Mellie married **Joseph C Holifield** in Ms..

M

- v. **Wade Andrew Grissom** was born 8 Dec 1887.

Wade married Eunice.

F

- vi. **Mary Docia Grissom** was born 11 Aug 1890.

Mary married **Allen Braswell** in Ms..

Fvii.

- Donia Grissom** was born 4 Feb 1892.

Donia married **Arthur M Edwards** on 11 Dec 1907 in Ms..

F

- viii. **Ruth Grissom** was born 1894.

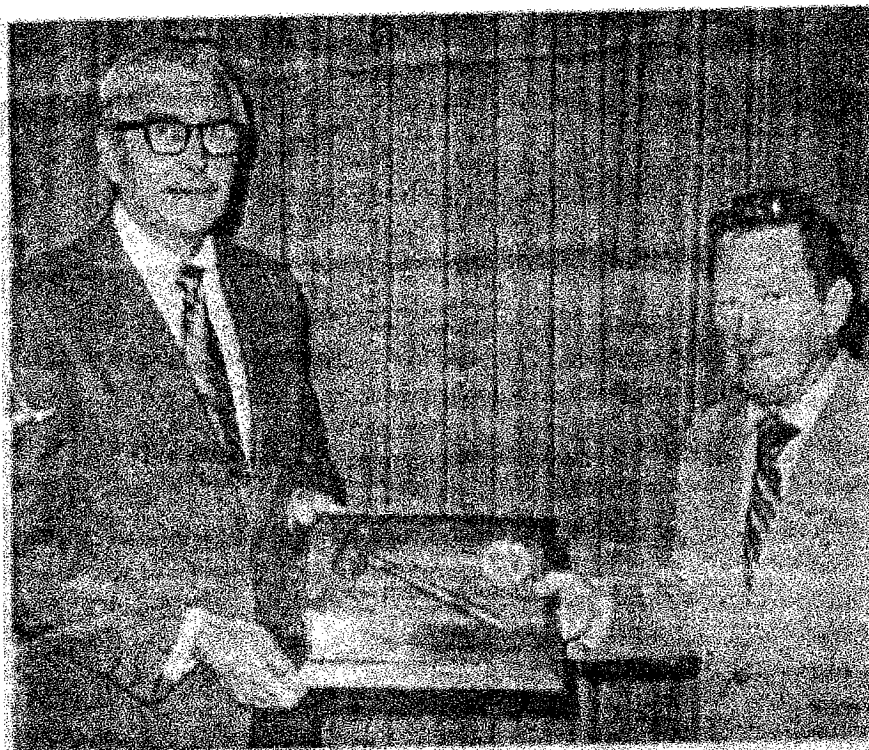
Ruth married **Charon Clark** in Ms..

M ix. **Robert Grissom** was born 1896.

Robert married **Eva Downs** in Ms..

M x. **Everette Grissom** was born after 1896.

Everette married **Flaudia Etheridge** in Ms.. Flaudia was born in Ms..



A RECOGNITION AWARD to Perrin Grissom, right, first president of the Association of Mississippi Agricultural Organizations, was presented at a January meeting in Jackson. Mr. Grissom, of Leland, was given the award by Gus Evans, left, of Shuquiak, current president of the organization. AMAO is composed of 18 member groups interested in agriculture.

[See page 108 for biography of Perrin Grissom, grandson of the above Wade Monroe Grissom and son of William Monroe Gressom]

Sources

1. 1900 Jones Co. Ms. Census, Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers, Taylorsville Ms. "...L. 87 30-30 Head of family Grissom Wade M b Sept 1854- Ms. [45]." If record is correct, Wade would be 45 in 1900. He is living in the Jones County portion of Summerland Ms.
2. Katherine Gregg records, 7 Aug 2000.

[a] Flora Idella Grissom [Gilmore]

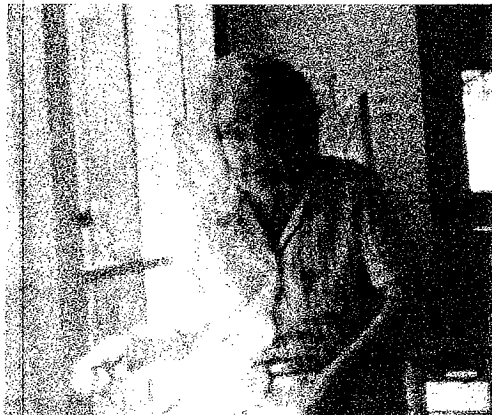
**FLORA IDELLA GRISSOM
DAUGHTER OF
WADE MONROE GRISSOM**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, William Grissom 1819.
Wade Monroe Grissom 1854]

1. **Flora Idella Grissom**¹ the 1st daughter and the 1st child of Ruth Catherine Stringer and Wade Monroe Grissom was born² 13 Sep 1879 in Summerland Smith Co Ms. Flora married **Luther Reed Gilmore** on 6 Jan 1893 in Ms..
Flora Idella Grissom and Luther Reed Gilmore had the following children:

- F i. **Virginia Gilmore** was born >1895.
- M ii. **James Oden Gilmore** was born about 1897.
- F iii. **Ruth Evans Gilmore** was born about 1899.
- F iv. **Eudorah Gaynell Gilmore** was born about 1901.

 Eudorah married a Stallworth.
- F v. **Lutheree Gilmore** was born about 1903.



Sources

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- 2. Ibid.

[b] Lula C. Grissom [Williams]

**LULA DELLA GRISSOM
DAUGHTER OF
WADE MONROE GRISSOM**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, William Grissom 1819.
Wade Monroe Grissom 1853]

1. **Lula C Grissom** the 2nd child and the 2nd daughter of Wade Monroe Grissom was born¹ 14 Aug. 1881 at Summerland, Smith Co. Ms..
Lula married William Andrew Williams on 14 Feb 1897 in Ms..
They had the following children:

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| F | i. | Nancy Williams was born >1897 in Ms.. |
| F | ii. | Vida Williams was born about 1899 in Ms.. |
| F | iii. | Verda Williams was born about 1901 in Ms.. |
| F | iv. | Ruth Williams was born about 1903 in Ms.. |
| F | v. | Veranis Christine Williams was born about 1905 in Ms.. |
| M | vi. | William Williams Jr. was born about 1907. |
| M | vii. | Nolan Williams was born about 1909 in Ms.. |
| M | viii. | Volton Williams was born about 1911 in Ms.. |
| F | ix. | Lula Clarico Williams was born about 1913 in Ms.. |
| M | x. | Joseph V. Williams was born about 1915. |

Sources

1. John Gordon Grissom, FAMILY GROUP SHEETS WM GRISSOM, 12 Nov 2000, Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers, Taylorsville Ms. all information on this family is from this source.

William Monroe Grissom
Son of
Wade Monroe Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, William Grissom 1818,
Wade Monroe Grissom 1854]



1 **William Monroe Grissom** the 3rd child and the 1st son of Wade Monroe Grissom was born¹ on 27 May 1884 in Summerland, Smith Co. Ms..He died² on 2 Feb 1980 in Laurel General Hospital, Laurel, Ms. and was buried in Summerland Bapt. Ch. Cem. Smith Co. Ms..

William married **Cordie Belle Rogers**, daughter of Henry Wallace Rogers and Fannie Jane Dobey, on 18 Aug. 1919 in Smith co Ms. Cordie was born³ on 3 May 1896 in Shongelo, Ms. and was christened as a Methodist She died in 1982 and was buried in Summerland Bapt. Ch. Cem. Smith Co. Ms..

William graduated from Mississippi College, Clinton, Ms. In the class of 1912 All of his children are college graduates.

William Monroe Grissom and **Cordie Belle Rogers** had the following children

- M i. **Perrin Holmes Grissom** was born on 5 Sep 1919 in Summerland Smith Co Ms.
Perrin married Lela Rose Selby on 10 Aug 1941 in Yazoo City, Ms..
- F ii. **Katherine Jane Grissom** was born on 30 May 1921 in Summerland Smith Co Ms.
- F iii. **Billie Rose Grissom** was born on 2 Aug 1923 in Summerland Smith Co Ms.
Billie married Benjamin Franklin Harrison on 1 Nov 1947.
- M iv. **Wendell Wade Grissom** was born on 10 Mar 1926 in Summerland Smith Co Ms.
Wendell married Carrie Helmer.
- 6 M v. **James Henry Grissom** was born on 31 Mar 1928.
James married Marilyn Irene Downing on 16 Apr 1954. Marilyn was born on 4 Aug 1934.
- 7 F vi. **Marilyn Grissom** was born on 3 Dec 1933 in Summerland Smith Co Ms.
Marilyn married Richard Alexander Meadows "Ray" on 7 May 1955.
- 8 M vii. **Robert Edwin Grissom** was born on 11 Jan 1935.
Robert married Mary Helen Ford on 28 Jun 1957 in Covington Co. Ms.

SOURCES

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2. Katherine Gregg [oral history], Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers, Taylorsville Ms.
3. Katherine Gregg [oral history].

Obituary for William Grissom

William "Bill" Grissom, 95 a retired school teacher and a resident of Route 3 Taylorsville, Summerland Community, died Saturday in the Jones County Community Hospital annex.

Mr. Grissom a native of Jasper County was a graduate of Mississippi College and served as the Smith County welfare agent for many years.

The funeral service for Mr. Grissom was held at 4 pm from Summerland Baptist Church with the Rev Randall Lindsey and the Rev Bill Waugh officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Grissom is survived by his widow Mrs. Cordie Rogers Grissom, Summerland: four sons Perrin H. Grissom, Leland Wendell, Wade Grissom, Jackson, James Henry Grissom, Jackson and Edwin Grissom Summerland: three daughters, Katherine Jane Gregg, Summerland, Billie Rose Harrison, Jackson and Marilyn Meadows Metairie, La. and 20 grandchildren

Pallbearers were Mark Grissom, Rickey Meadows, Keith Parker, Gregg Parker, Bobby Grissom, Terry Grissom, John Hill Harrison, Billy Ralph Grissom, Perrin H. Grissom Jr. and Kenneth Gregg.

Honorary pallbearers were deacons of Summerland Baptist Church.

Memory Chapel Funeral Home in Taylorsville was in charge of arrangements


[LAUREL-CALL Laurel, Ms. Mon, Feb 4 1980]

Perrin Holmes Grissom
Son Of
Wade Monroe Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, William Grissom 1819, Wade Monroe Grissom 1854, William Monroe Grissom 1884]

1. **Perrin Holmes Grissom** the 1st son and the 1st child of Cordie Belle Rogers and William Monroe Grissom was born¹ on 5 Sep 1919 in Summerland Smith Co Ms.

BIOGRAPHY: Perrin Holmes Grissom, Sr. is the author of the book **CROSSING THE CREEK**, an Autobiography published by Delta Press Stoneville, Mississippi



Perrin served the State of Mississippi for many years according to the review of the book **CROSSING THE CREEK**. "This book is a documentation of change during the life of a man who became involved in actually doing some of the changing. Perrin Grissom was reared on a small farm plowing barefooted behind mules, was educated at Mississippi State University and eventually became Instrumental in some of the most innovative transformations that make modern American agriculture the most efficient system of its kind in the world today. Along the way his life was one of involvement: he was never one to stand on the sidelines, so to speak. His community interest moved him into small town political leadership that included everything from the controversial school situation to the beautiful and famous "Christmas On Deer Creek". Soon state politics beckoned and on he went to leadership in the Mississippi legislature....."

Perrin married³ **Lela Rose Selby**² on 10 Aug 1941 in Yazoo City, Ms..

Perrin Holmes Grissom and Lela Rose Selby had the following children

- + F i. **Virginia Ann Grissom** was born on 27 Aug 1946.
Virginia married⁶ Charles MacDowell Gordon on 5 Dec 1970 in Leland, Ms..
They had the following children:
 - F Amanda Lucille Gordon was born⁷ on 14 Jun 1972.

- + F ii. **Linda Jean Grissom** was born on 9 Jun 1948.
Linda married⁹ John Walton Lovitt on 28 Sep 1985 in Jackson, Ms..
They had the following children:
 - M . Todd Lovitt.
 - M Brent Lovitt

- M iii. **Perrin Holmes Grissom Jr.** was born⁴ on 15 Nov 1951.

Sources

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2. Gay Everett Coalier, LOTT ROGERS FAMILY,
3. Gay Everett Coalier, LOTT ROGERS FAMILY , pg. 10.
4. Gay Everett Coalier, LOTT ROGERS FAMILY , pg 17.
5. -9. Ibid

**Katherine Jane Grissom
Daughter of
William Monroe Grissom**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham 1880, William Grissom 1819, Wade Monroe Grissom 1854,
William Monroe Grissom 1884]

1. **Katherine Jane Grissom** the 1st daughter and the 2nd child of Cordie Belle Rogers and William Monroe Grissom was born¹³⁰ May 1921 in Summerland Smith Co Ms. Katherine married **Leon Benjamin Gregg** 4 Jun. 1942 in Smith Co. Ms..

EDUCATION: Jones Junior College..1939 -1940

Mississippi State College for Women [MSCW] 1941

LOCALE: Except for the war years [WWII] Katherine lived in beautiful Summerland Ms. Her home is nestled among a welcoming group of shade trees. Even in the hottest summer months, the spot seems cool and inviting. Katherine is an avid flower gardener. Her gardens surround her home. Katherine plays an active role in her church. Summerland Baptist. Katherine teaches a group of middle aged ladies. The class is comprised of diligent workers

Katherine married Leon Benjamin Gregg on 4 Jun 1942 in Smith Co. Ms.. "Leon Gregg graduated from Jones Jr. College in 1941. He immediately joined the Naval Air Corp. After he completed his basic training, we were married Our first station was New Orleans, La. From there we moved to Pasco, Washington. Next post was in Maryland, just outside Washington D. C. On we went to Atlanta Ga... then to Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. We didn't end our travels there, we moved on to Dallas Texas, then back to the West Coast. Here Leon was attached to the Treasure Island Base at San Francisco, Calif. We were here when the War ended. During his service, Leon did some cargo flying, but most of his time was spent giving seminars at the different places where he was posted. At the end of the War, Leon left the service with the rank of Lieut. We wanted to come home to Mississippi. We had bought a farm while Leon was still in the Navy. We did some farming. Leon also became a Rural Mail Carrier. Leon loved a large family. Our youngest child, Donna was 9 months old when Leon was working under his car and it fell on him. It killed him. I stayed on the farm. I was able to send all the children to college. Most of them graduated."

Katherine Grissom Gregg

13 Feb 2001

Katherine Grissom and Leon Gregg had the following children:

- F i. **Janis Kay Gregg** was born 10 Mar 1943.
- F ii. **Margaret Gregg** was born 5 Mar 1945.
- F iii. **Judith Ann Gregg** was born 3 Feb 1948.
- M iv. **Kenneth Gregg** was born²16 Oct 1950. Who married Kay Welborn
- F v. **Mary Susan Gregg** was born 7 Feb 1953.
- F vi. **Donna Gregg** was born 25 Aug 1956.

Grandchildren of Katherine Grissom sixth Generation

2. Janis Kay Gregg the 1st daughter and the 1st child of Katherine Jane Grissom and Leon Gregg was born³10 Mar 1943.

Janis married **John R. Parker**.

Janis Kay Gregg and John R. Parker had the following children:

- M i. **Keith Parker** the 1st son and the 1st child of Janis Kay Gregg and John R. Parker and grandson of Katherine Jane Gregg was born 24 Dec 1961.
- F ii. **Laura Beth Parker** the 1st daughter and the 2nd child of Janis Kay Gregg and John R. Parker and granddaughter of Katherine Jane Gregg was born 6 May 1962.
- M iii. **Gregg Parker** the 2nd son and the 3rd child of Janis Kay Gregg and John R. Parker and grandson of Katherine Jane Gregg was born 20 Jun 1965.

3. Margaret Gregg the 2nd daughter and the 2nd child of Katherine Grissom and Leon Gregg was born⁴ 5 Mar 1945. Margaret married:

(1) **James A. White** in Taylorsville, Smith Co. Ms.. The marriage ended in divorce.

Margaret Gregg and James A. White had the following child:

- F i. **Kim White** the only child of Margaret Gregg and James A White and the granddaughter of Katherine Gregg was born 21 Feb 1965.
- (2) **Ron Whobrey** Margaret married Ron in Summerland Ms..

4. **Judith Ann Gregg** the 3rd daughter and the 3rd child of Katherine Grissom and Leon Gregg was born³3 Feb 1948.

Judith married **Gary Neville** in Washington, D. C.. Gary was born 20 Sep 1947.

They had the following children:

- F i. **Tina Neville**. Is the only child of Judith Ann Gregg and Gary Neville and the granddaughter of Katherine Gregg

6. **Mary Susan Gregg** the 4th daughter and the 5th child of Katherine Grissom and Leon Gregg was born⁶7 Feb 1953.

Mary married **Leon Clark** in Summerland Ms.

They had the following children:

- F i **Lindsey Clark** the 1st daughter and the 1st child of Susan Gregg and Leon Clark the granddaughter of Katherine Gregg b 18 May 1998

- M ii **Reggie Clark** the 1st son and the 2nd child of Susan Gregg and Leon Clark and the grandson of Katherine Gregg was born 14 July 1982



7. **Donna Gregg** the 5th daughter and the 6th child of Katherine Grissom and Leon Gregg was born 25 Aug 1956

Donna married **John Gibbes** in Summerland

They had the following children

- F i **Lauren Gibbes** the 1st daughter and the 1st child of Donna Gregg and John Gibbes and the granddaughter of Katherine Gregg was born 23 Aug 1979

- M ii. **Gregg Gibbes** was the 1st son and the 2nd child of Donna Gregg and John Gibbes and the grandson of Katherine Gregg was born Jul 1983.

Sources

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L to R Margaret, Kenneth, Susan, Judy, Donna, Janis Gregg 1958



**Katherine Gregg,
mother of the above**

Billie Rose Grissom
Daughter of
William Monroe Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, William Grissom 1819,
Wade Monroe Grissom 1854, William Monroe Grissom 1884]

1. **Billie Rose Grissom** the 2nd daughter and the 3rd child of Cordie Belle Rogers and William Monroe Grissom was born² Aug 1923 in Summerland Smith Co Ms. Billie is a college graduate.

Billie married **Benjamin Franklin Harrison** 1 Nov 1947.

They had the following children:

- + F i. **Phyllis Harrison** was born 25 Dec 1953.
- + M ii. **John Bill Harrison** was born 21 Aug 1955.

Grandchildren of Billie Rose Grissom

2. **Phyllis Harrison** the 1st daughter and the 1st child of Billie Rose Grissom and Benjamin Franklin Harrison was born²⁵ Dec 1953.

Phyllis married³ **Wm. Terry Peden** 1 Jul 1977.

They had the following children:

- F i. **Terri Nicole Peden** the only child of Phyllis Harrison and Wm Terry Peden and granddaughter of Billie Rose Grissom was born⁶ Aug 1979 in Houston, TX..

3. **John Bill Harrison** the 1st son and the 2nd child of Billie Rose Grissom and Benjamin Franklin Harrison was born²¹ Aug 1955 in Jackson, Ms..

John married **Pam Ruff Lovitt**.

They had the following children:

- M i. **Alex Harrison** the 1st son and the 1st child of John Bill Harrison and Pam Ruff Lovitt and the grandson of Billie Rose Grissom was born⁶ 14 Feb 1986.
- M ii. **Adam Harrison** the 2nd son and the 2nd child of John Bill Harrison and Pam Ruff and the grandson of Billie Rose Grissom was born⁷ 5 Nov 1987.

Sources

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Wendell Wade Grissom
Son of
William Monroe Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, William Grissom 1819, Wade Monroe Grissom 1854,
William Monroe Grissom 1854]

1. **Wendell Wade Grissom** the 2nd son and the 4th child of Cordie Belle Rogers and William Monroe Grissom was born¹10 Mar 1926 in Summerland Smith Co Ms. Wendell lives in the family home in Summerland Smith County, Mississippi. He attended JCJC [Jones County Junior College] He received his degree from Mississippi State University. Wendell is retiredHe works part time for Georgia Pacific, Taylorsville, Ms. Wendell has lived all his life in Summerland . Wendell is divorced. Wendell's daughter lives in Santa Fe, New Mexico
[Katherine Gregg 16 Feb 2001]



Wendell married **Carrie Helmer**.

They had the following children:

- 2 F i. **Debby Grissom** was born Jun 1956 in Baton La..

Sources

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James Henry Grissom
Son of
William Monroe Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, William Grissom 1819,
Wade Monroe Grissom 1854, William Monroe Grissom 1884]

1. **James Henry Grissom** the 3rd son and the 5th child of Cordie Belle Rogers and William Monroe Grissom was born¹31 Mar 1928. James Henry Grissom married² **Marilyn** 16 Apr. 1954 while he was in service in Wichita Kansas. James was a Leut in the Air Force. He graduated from Mississippi State. James died 13 Nov. 1993 Marilyn now travels extensively.

Marilyn was born⁴4 Aug. 1934. James and Marilyn had the following childre

2. **William Ralph Grissom** the only son and the 1st child of Marilyn Downing and James Grissom and grandson Cordie Belle Rogers and William Monroe Grissom was born³11 Feb 1955. William married⁴Debbie Freidman 5 Sep 1982.

They had the following children:

- F i. **Adrienne Grissom** was born⁵3 May 1985.
- M ii. **Aaron Grissom** was born⁶16 Jun 1986.
- M iii. **Benny Grissom** was born⁷30 Mar 1990.
- M iv. **Nathan Grissom** was born 13 Nov 1993

3. **Karen GRISSOM** the only daughter and the 2nd child of Marilyn Downing and James Grissom and the granddaughter of Cordie Belle Rogers and William Monroe Grissom was born⁹10 Jul 1958.

Karen married¹⁰**J. D. Mauldin** Mar 1985.

They had the following children:

- i **Karen Mauldin** was born 10 Jul 1986
- ii **Anne Katherine Mauldin** was born 22 Feb 1987
- iii **Rebecca Helen Mauldin** was born 23 Feb 1989
- iv **Alisa Ruth Mauldin** was born 19 Sept 1990

**James Henry Grissom and his
family.
This book is
dedicated
to
him**



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2. Marilyn Grissom, Vital records for James Henry Grissom Family, , 14 May 2000.
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Marilyn Grissom
Daughter of
William Monroe Grissom

[Isham Gresham 1780, William Grissom 1819, Wade Monroe Grissom 1854,
William Monroe Grissom 1884]

1. **Marilyn Grissom** the 3rd daughter and 6th child of Cordie Belle Rogers and William Monroe Grissom was born¹ on 3 Dec 1933 in Summerland Smith Co Ms. Marilyn attended Mississippi Southern with a degree in home economics.

Marilyn married **Richard Alexander Meadows "Ray"**² in May of 1955.



L to r John, Kathy, Marilyn, Richard Jr., Richard Sr and Chris

They had the following children:

- 2 F i. **Kathy Lynn Meadows** was born on 22 Sep 1957.
Kathy married³ **Larry Guthrie** on 3 May 1987.
- 3 M ii. **Richard Alexander Meadows Jr.** was born on 15 Jul 1962.
Richard married **Diana Carinaggio**⁴ on 4 Jul 1987.
- 4 M iii. **Chris Renee Meadows** was born⁵ on 29 Jul 1964.
- 5 M iv. **John Allen Meadows** was born on 25 Apr 1972.

Sources

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4. Gay Everett Coalier, LOT ROGERS FAMILY , .
5. Gay Everett Coalier, LOT ROGERS FAMILY .

Robert Edwin Grissom
Son of
William Monroe Grissom

David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, William Grissom 1819, Wade Monroe 1854,
William Monroe Grissom 1884]

1. **Robert Edwin Grissom** the 4th son and the 8th child of Cordie Belle Rogers and Wade Monroe Stringer was born¹11 Jan 1935. Robert married **Mary Helen Ford** 28 June 1957 in Covington Co Edwin graduated from Ms. St.

Robert Grissom and Mary Helen Ford live at Summerland Ms
Edwin, as he is called, is active in the life of the community.

They had the following children:

- M i. **Terry Michael Grissom** was born 11 May 1958.
 Terry married **Candace Leigh Massengale**³3 Apr 1982. Candice was
 from Collins, Ms. Terry majored in Poultry Science at Ms. State u.
 Candace attended Ms Southern.
- M ii. **Robert Edwin Grissom Jr.** was born⁴14 Jun 1959 in
 Covington Co. Ms.
 Robert married⁵**Jon Annette Hess**16 Jul 1984 in Belle
 Chase, La..
- M iii. **Mark Grissom** was born 19 Apr 1963.
 Mark married **Jennifer Runnels**.
- F iv. **Jane Elizabeth Grissom** was born 24 May 1967.
 Jane married **Jim Hulon**.
- F v. **Mary Anna Grissom** was born 25 May 1970.
 Mary married **Troy Waldrup**.



Edwin Grissom

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[d] Mellie Bertha Grissom [Holifield]

**Mellie Bertha Grissom
Daughter of
Wade Monroe Grissom**

[David Gresham 1750, Isham Grissom 1780, William 1819,
Wade Monroe Grissom 1854]

1. **Mellie Bertha Grissom** was the 3rd daughter and the 4th child of Ruth Catherine Stringer and Wade Monroe Grissom was born 22 Jan 1886.

Mellie married **Joseph C Holifield** n Ms..

They had the following children

E. Hettie Holifield .

Hettie married **Milton Gatlin .**

F ii. **Ione Holifield .**

Ione married **Max Houston .**

F iii. **Daisy Holifield .**

Daisy married **Neal Sexton .**

M iv. **J. C. Holifield .**

J. C. Holifield married **Willie Mae Johnson .**

M v. **Robert Holifield "Bob".**

Robert married **Jean Charbonneau .**

M vi. **Wadie Monroe Holifield .**

Wadie married **Grace .**

F vii. **Dorothy Marie Holifield .**

Dorothy married **Rip Cirlot .**

M viii. **M. B. Holifield .**

[Katherine Greg

[e] Wade Andrew Grissom

**Wade Andrew Grissom
Son Of
Wade Monroe Grissom**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, William Grissom 1819, Wade Monroe Grissom 1854]

1. **Wade Andrew Grissom** the 5th child and the 2nd son of Ruth Catherine Stringer and Wade Monroe Grissom was born¹ 8 Dec 1887. Wade Andrew was born at Summerland Smith County,, Mississippi.
Wade married **Eunice**.
Eunice and Wade Andrew Grissom had the following children:

2 M i. **Wade Grissom Jr.**

Sources

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**Back seat left to right: Ophia Grissom Welch, Robert [Rob] Grissom, Eva Grissom, [Rob's wife]
Front seat left to right: Vern Gambrell, Cordie Grissom [Katherine Gregg's mother] William "Bill" Grissom]**

[f] Mary Docia Grissom [Braswell]

**Mary Docia Grissom
Daughter Of
Wade Monroe Grissom**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, William Grissom 1819, Wade Monroe 1854]

1. **Mary Docia Grissom** the 6th child and the 4th daughter of Ruth Catherine Stringer and Wade Monroe Grissom was born 11 Aug 1890 Her place of birth was Summerland, Smith County, Mississippi..
Mary married **Allen Braswell** in Ms.

[g] Donia Grissom [Edwards]

**Donia Grissom
Daughter of
Wade Monroe Grissom**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, William Grissom 1819, Wade Monroe 1854]

1. **Donia Grissom** the 5th daughter and the 7th child of Ruth Catherine Stringer and Wade Monroe Grissom was born on 4 Feb 1892.¹
Donia married **Arthur M Edwards** on 11 Dec 1907 in Ms..

Donia Grissom and Arthur M. Edwards had the following children:

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|---|------|----------------------------|
| M | i. | Terrill Edwards. |
| F | ii. | Bernice Edwards. |
| F | iii. | Ulmer Edwards. |
| F | iv. | Chrystel Edwards. |
| M | v. | Arthur Edwards Jr.. |

1. Katherine Gregg gave information on this family. There is no further information at this time

[h] Ruth Grissom [Clark]

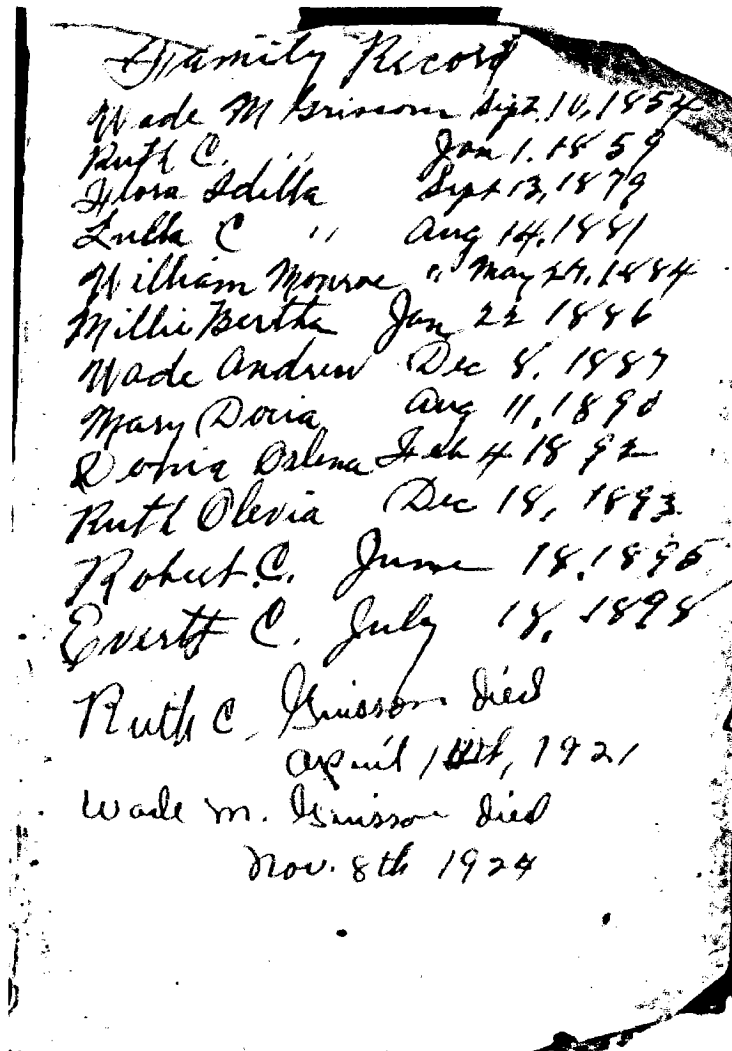
**Ruth Grissom
Daughter Of
Wade Monroe Grissom**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, William Grissom 1819,
Wade Monroe Grissom 1854]

1. **Ruth Grissom** the 8th child and the 6th daughter of Ruth Catherine Stringer and Wade Monroe Grissom was born in 1896. She was born at Summerland Smith County, Mississippi.

Ruth married
in Ms.

Charon Clark



A Page from the William Monroe Grissom Family Bible. This bible is in the care of Edwin Grissom, younger brother of Katherine Grissom Gregg and a son of William Monroe Grissom.

[i] Robert Grissom

**Robert Grissom
Son Of
Wade Monroe Grissom**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, William Grissom 1819.
Wade Monroe Grissom 1854]

I. **Robert Grissom** the 3rd son and the 9th child of Ruth Catherine Stringer and Wade Monroe Grissom was born in 1896 Robert was born at Summerland Smith County Mississippi¹.

Robert married **Eva Downs** in Ms..

Eva Downs and Robert Grissom had the following children:

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|---|-----|---------------------------|
| F | i. | Sybil Grissom. |
| M | ii. | Robert J. Grissom. |



¹ All information supplied by Katherine Gregg, niece of Robert Grissom

[j] Everette Grissom

**Everette Grissom
Son Of
Wade Monroe Grissom**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780. William Grissom 1919,
Wade Monroe Grissom 1854]

1. **Everette Grissom** the 10th child and the 4th son of Ruth Catherine Stringer and Wade Monroe Grissom was born¹ 15 Jul 1898 in Summerland Smith Co. Ms..

Everette married **Flaudia Etheridge**² in Ms.. Flaudia was born in Ms. most likely in Lauderdale County.[Flaudia may be related to Jane Etheridge who married George Washington Grissom.]

Sources

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**Benjamin C Grissom
Son Of
William Grissom**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, William Grissom 1819}

1 **Benjamin C. Grissom** the 3rd son and the 3rd child of **Nancy Tubbs** and **William Grissom** was born in 1856. Benjamin married **Mary J. Duckworth** on 4 Dec. 1877 in Scott County Ms. **Mary J. Duckworth** b 1857. In the 1880 census a 12 year old **Rose Grissom** is living in The Jones County Ms, Grissom home In the 1900 census there are only two children living in the "Ben" Grissom home. One child missed the earlier census not having been born in 1880. There was no 1890 census and by 1900 this child has left home.
This child is **Emma Grissom** who was born after Aug 1880

Benjamin C Grissom and **Mary J. Duckworth** had the following children:

- + F i. **Emma Grissom** was born about 1877.
- F ii. **Frances Rosetta Grissom** "Rose" was born on 19 Oct 1878 in Ms..
- M iii. **Joseph B Grissom** was born in May 1886 in Ms..
- + F iv. **Nancy Jane Grissom** was born on 14 Apr 1883 and died on 9 Dec 1910.
- M v. **Wiley A Grissom** was born in Oct 1893 in Ms..

Next Generation

2. **Emma Grissom** the 1st daughter and the 1st child of **Benjamin C. Grissom** and **Mary J Duckworth** was born about 1877 in Ms..

Emma Grissom married **Wiley Stringer** in Ms.. **Wiley** was born about 1870 in Ms..

They had the following children:

- F i. **Annie Bernette Stringer** was born in 1898 in Ms..
- M ii. **Ottis Troy Stringer** was born on 31 Oct 1899 in Ms.
- F iii. **Addie Leathe Stringer** was born in 1901.
- F iv. **Jessie Stringer** was born on 19 Apr. 1903 in Ms..
- F v. **Mary Ethel Stringer** was born in 1904 in Ms..
- M vi. **George Washington Stringer** was born in 1906 in Ms..
- M vii. **Wiley Royce Stringer** was born on 31 Oct 1909 in Ms..
- F viii. **Virgie Dessie Stringer** was born in 1912 in Ms..
- M ix. **Veston Monroe Stringer** was born on 28 Aug 1915 in Ms..
- M x. **Velton Stringer** was born in 1919.

5. **Nancy Jane Grissom** the 3rd daughter and the 4th child of **Benjamin C. Grissom** and **Mary J. Duckworth** was born on 14 Apr 1883 in Smith County Ms.. She died on 9 Dec 1910 and was buried¹ in Union Cemetery, Jones Co. Ms..

Nancy married² **John Lully Williams** on 4 Dec 1897. **John** was born on 7 May 1878 in Marengo Co. Ala.. He died³ on 30 Nov 1922 in Sidon, Ms. [?].

They had the following children:

- F i. **Oma Florence Williams** was born⁴ on 31 Oct 1898.

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- Oma married **Willie Lee Brooks**⁵.
- M ii. **Zino Harrison Williams** was born in 1900. He died in 1919.
 - F iii. **Orna May Williams** was born⁶ in 1902. was buried⁷ in Union Cemetery, Jones Co.
 - F iv. **Ada Marie Williams** was born⁸ on 10 Jun 1904 in Jones Co. Ms..
Ada married⁹ **Herbert Logan Spencer** on 31 Oct 1936 in Elton, Maryland.
 - F v. **Bertie Williams** was born¹⁰ on 30 Mar 1906 in Smith Co. Ms..
Bertie married **Robert Downing**.
 - F vi. **Thelma Jane Williams**¹¹ was born on 14 Aug. 1908 in Smith Co. Ms.. She died on 16 Mar 1988 in Atlanta, Georgia.
Thelma married¹² **Louis Grantham** on 25 Oct. 1925. He was born on 14 Jun 1903. He died¹³ on 29 Sep 1977 in Hattiesburg, Ms..
 - M vii. **John Lavel Williams** was born on 11 Apr. 1910 in Forest County, Ms.. He died¹⁴ on 24 Aug 1967 in Jones Co. Ms..
John married **Mavis Kirkland**.

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2. Nancy Hodge, granddaughter, FAMILY GROUP SHEET BENJ C GRISSOM.
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[4] Thomas Nathaniel Grissom [b1858]

**Thomas Nathaniel Grissom
Son Of
William Grissom**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, William Grissom 1819]

1. **Thomas Nathaniel Grissom** the 4th child and the 4th son of Nancy E. Tubbs and William Grissom was born 1858 in Summerland, Smith Co. Ms..

Thomas left Mississippi and moved to Louisiana. This move took place around 1900.

NOTE No research has been done on this branch of the William Grissom Family by the current researchers.

[5] Robert Calvin Grissom [b1860]

Robert Calvin Grissom
Son of
William Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, William Grissom 1819]

1. **Robert Calvin Grissom**¹ the 5th son and 5th child of William. Grissom and **Nancy Tubbs** Grissom was born² on 25 Mar 1861 in Grissom's Crossing,[later named Summerland], Smith County, Mississippi] He died³ on 31 Mar 1938 in Richards, Texas and was buried⁴ in the Walker Plot Ebenezer Cemetery.

Robert married (1) **Mattie Elizabeth Walker**⁵, daughter of Jasper Newton Walker and Martha Jane Lightsey, on 15 Oct. 1884. Mattie was born on 5 May 1855 in Texas. She died⁶ on 10 Apr. 1900 and was buried⁷ in Walker Plot Ebenezer Cemetery Walker Co Texas.

DEATH: " Mattie Elizabeth died in April 1900 when baby Flora was about seven months old. There was much Sickness in the family and Robert C. decided to move to Corel County, near Gatesville, Texas. The children and all Supplies and equipment were loaded in two wagons for the trip. One black family went with them. The black woman cared for and nursed the baby Flora back to good health after the Dr. had given them no hope that she would live.' [Gregg papers] Robert lived on a farm 1885 in Goshen Community, Hutchinson, Texas.

Robert's father joined the Confederate Army. This left his mother, Nancy, to care for five small children. About 1880 Robert left home and traveled with other families who came to Walker County Texas. He went to work for Jasper Newton Walker.... on a plantation in the western part of Walker County. On October 15 1884, Robert C. Grissom married Mattie Elizabeth Walker, the only living daughter of Jasper Newton Walker and Martha Jane Lightsey Walker, daughter of David Lightay and Orlena Tubbs.....

In 1885 Robert bought a farm in the Goshen Community [the post office was Hutchinson, Texas] Walker County. The community is now known as West Sandy, and the road is the Walker Loop. The farm was part of the Walker-Lightsey plantation. It was on part of this land where Robert C. built his General merchandise store in 1902. Robert and Mattie Elizabeth had eight children

LOCALE: After Mattie died Robert moved his family..."after two years of crop failures, Robert C. decided to return to Walker County and the farm. From 1902 until 1910 Robert C. along with the older children, ran a general merchandise store and the family farm on the Walker Loop." [Gregg papers] In 1910 Robert C. Grissom moved the family and his merchandise store to Richards, Texas to be near the railroad. Here he continued to supply the needs of his family and friends in western Walker Count and the Richards community until his death in 1938." [Gregg papers]

MARRIAGE: "...Sometime after the death of his first wife, Mattie Elizabeth, Robert C. Grissom married **Frances Cornella Davie Cauthen**, who was the widow of **Tip Cauthen**. Tip and Frances C., "Aunt Babe" Cauthen had three Children;

1. Essie Cauthen who married Elliot Doughtie
 2. Garrett Cauthen who married Sally Walker [sister of "Zeke' Williams]
 3. Ellen Cauthen who married Allen Walker [brother of Mattie Elizabeth.]
- No children were born to Robert C. and Frances C. Aunt Babe Cauthen Grissom.

DEATH: "**Robert Calvin Grissom**. was a faithful member of Ebenezer Baptist Church. When he moved to Richards there was no Baptist church. So he along with his older children, helped organize the Richards Baptist Church. He was a charter member He was one of the first deacons. His three sons later were made deacons in the same church. Robert C. Grissom, both of his wives, two sons [John R., and Thomas C.] and two daughters [Carrie Bell and Flora D.] are buried in the Walker Plot of Ebenezer Cemetery." [Gregg papers]

Robert and Mattie had the following children:

- + M i. **William Newton Grissom** born on 21 Feb 1886 and died on 24 Jun 1968.
+ F ii. **Nancy Jane Grissom** was born on 28 Oct 1887 and died on 24 Feb 1976.

- F iii. **Carrie Bell Grissom**⁸ was born⁹ on 19 Nov 1889 in Walker Texas. She died¹⁰ 22 Mar 1895 and was buried¹¹ in Ebenezer Bapt. Ch Cem. Walker Co. Texas.
DEATH: "Carrie Bell died in March 1895 from burns she received when her dress caught fire from the fire around the family wash pot.
- + M iv. **John Robert Grissom** was born on 7 May 1891 and died on 20 Dec 1981.
- F v. **Mattie Amanda Grissom**¹² was born in 1893 in Goshen Community Texas. She died 29 Nov 1962. Mattie married **Clem B. Teague** bef 1913.
- + M vi. **Thomas Carroll Grissom** born on 3 Dec 1895 and died on 24 May 1980.
- + F vii. **Mary Irene Grissom** was born on 16 Dec 1897.
- + F viii. **Flora Deida Grissom** was born on 21 Sep 1899 and died on 9 Nov 1973.
Robert also married¹⁴ (2) **Frances C. Cornella Davis Cauthen**¹³ on 2 Jun. 1902.

Grandchildren of William Grissom

2. **William Newton Grissom**¹ the 1st son and the 1st child of Robert Calvin Grissom and grandson of William Grissom was born² on 21 Feb 1886 in Goshen West Sandy Walker Co. TX. He died³ on 24 Jun 1968. William married **Ethel Fabian**.

They had the following children:

- M i. **Barron Paul Grissom** was born in Goshen Community Texas.
- M ii. **Paul Grissom** was born in Goshen Community Texas.
- F iii. **Mary Ester Grissom** was born in Goshen Community Texas.
- M iv. **Hubert Grissom** born in Goshen Community Texas. He died 26 Nov 1984.
- M v. **Douglas Grissom** was born in Goshen Community Texas.

3. **Nancy Jane Grissom**⁴ the 1st daughter and the 2nd child of Robert Calvin Grissom and granddaughter of William Grissom was born⁵ on 28 Oct 1887 in Walker Texas. She died⁶ on 24 Feb 1976 Nancy married **Ezekiel Williams "Zeke"**.

BIOGRAPHY: "Ezekiel "Zeke" Williams was a garage owner and a car salesman.

Zeke Williams and Nancy Grissom had the following children:

- M i. **Easton Williams** was born in Goshen Community Texas.
- M ii. **Willard Williams** was born in Goshen Community Texas.
- F iii. **Elise Williams** was born in Goshen Community Texas.
- F iv. **Wanda Williams** was born in Goshen Community Texas.

5. **John Robert Grissom**⁷ the 2nd son and the 5th child of Robert Calvin Grissom and grandson of William Grissom was born on 7 May 1891 in Goshen Community Texas. He died on 20 Dec 1981 and was buried in Walker Plot Ebenezer Cemetery Walker Co Texas.

BIOGRAPHY: "John Robert was a farmer and an oil company worker."

"John Walker hauled lumber from the J. W. Walker Brothers Saw Mill to the State Penitentiary, and on the return trip brought supplies for the store. Some of the things that John R. remembered as a small boy about these trips to Huntsville were: the kindness of Mrs. Gibbs, who, seeing him passing by, would insist that he come in, get warm, and have a bite to eat and drink; how when he would bring the proceeds from the store and the farm he carried it to Mr. W. S. Gibbs at the bank. Mr. Gibbs would count the money, give him a receipt and make the deposit for him. To a 12-14 year old boy \$600 to \$800 seemed like an awful lot of money to carry. There was really no road; only a wagon trail sometimes in rainy weather John remembered having to tie the wagon bed because the team would have to swim when the San Jacinto River was up" [Gregg papers]

John married (1) **Gertrude Pace Whitfield**. Gertrude died in 1918. died during the flu epidemic John and Gertrude had the following children:

- M i. **John Gordon Grissom**⁸ was born⁹ on 10 Mar 1914 in Goshen Community Texas John also married [2] **Pearl Tilson Nichols**

John and Pearl had the following children:

- M ii. **Joerle Grissom** was born in Goshen Community Texas.
- F iii. **Amaryllis Grissom** was born in Goshen Community Texas.

7. **Thomas Carroll Grissom**¹⁰ the 3rd son and the 7th child of Robert Calvin Grissom and grandson of William Grissom was born on 3 Dec 1895. He died on 24 May 1980 and was buried in Ebenezer Bapt. Ch Cemetery Walker Co Texas. Thomas married **Edna Allene Foster** in Texas. Thomas served in the **military WW I before 1918 - after 1918 in U.S. Army Medical Corps**. "Thomas Carroll Grissom was a Medic in World War I, and from March 1 1921 to Dec 30 1965, he was a rural mail carrier, serving the western part of Walker County.".... [Gregg papers]

They had the following children:

- M i. **Thomas Cecil Grissom**.
- M ii. **James Calvin Grissom**.

8. **Mary Irene Grissom**¹¹ the 4th daughter and the 8th child of Robert Calvin Grissom and granddaughter of William Grissom was born on 16 Dec 1897 in Goshen Community Texas.

EDUCATION: "Mary Irene Grissom graduated from Sam Houston State College when there were only four buildings on the campus" [Gregg papers]

Mary married **Leslie B. Bryan "Kelly"** on 24 Jul 1918.

BIOGRAPHY: "Leslie Bryan was a Magnolia pipeline chief engineer." [Gregg papers]

"**Kelly**" **Leslie B Bryan** and **Mary Irene Grissom** had the following children:

- F i. **Malvanee Bryan**.

BIOGRAPHY: "Malvanee was a school teacher in Texas" [Gregg papers]

- F ii. **Celeta Bryan**.

BIOGRAPHY: "Celeta Bryan taught school in Houston Texas." [Gregg papers]

- M iii. **Leslie Boyce Bryan**.

BIOGRAPHY: "Leslie Bryan was a school teacher in Texas" [Gregg papers]

9. **Flora Deida Grissom**¹² the 5th daughter and the 9th child of Robert Calvin Grissom and granddaughter of William Grissom was born on 21 Sep 1899 in Goshen Community Texas. She died on 9 Nov 1973 and was buried in Ebenezer Bapt. Ch Cemetery Walker Co Texas.

Flora married **Thomas C. Glover** in 1919 in Texas.

Flora Deida Grissom and **Thomas C. Glover** had the following children:

- M i. **Thomas C. Glover Jr.**
- F ii. **Janey Lee Glover**.
- F iii. **Marcelyn Glover**

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**Joseph Craton Grissom
Son Of
William Grissom**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, William Grissom 1819]

1. **Joseph Craton Grissom**¹ the 6th child and the 6th son of Nancy E. Tubbs and William Grissom was born² 29 Oct. 1864. He died Feb 1941 and was buried in the large Natchez, Ms. City Cemetery. Joseph married **Malinda Jefcoats**. Malinda was born 4 Mar 1865. She was buried in the large Natchez, Ms. City Cemetery. This branch of the Grissom family held a family reunion each year for many years. Christine G Brown was asked to write a history of the Grissom family. She wrote the following article

THESE ARE OUR BEGINNINGS

By Christine G. brown

A man names Grissom came from Ireland in the late 1700s [It is the belief of many Grissoms that their family came from Ireland. It is more likely that they came from England. It is more likely that they are a branch of the Gresham family...Ed] and settled in South Carolina. He married there and had eight sons. One son left and settled in Georgia. There he married and to him were born sons and daughters. One son, born December 7 1819 was names William Grissom. He left Georgia and in Alabama he met and married a girl named Nancy E. Tubbs, They left Alabama and homesteaded a farm in Mississippi at a small place called Summerland. There they stayed the rest of their lives. He died in 1886.

Joseph Craton was born October 29, 1864, and was the third son of Nancy and William Grissom. He married Malinda Jefcoats who was born March 4, 1865. To them were born twelve children. Eleven children lived to adulthood, married and had children.

The family lived near the small community of Summerland. Grandpa provided for his growing family by farming the land. There were six sons and five daughters to help with the farm chores. These were busy years filled with the experiences of a growing family. Uncle John, Aunt Nancy and Aunt Nora married and remained in the same area.

About this time the farmers were experiencing some difficult years. Some families had left this area and moved to the delta country of Louisiana. There were glowing reports of the farming success in the rich delta land.

In 1915 Grandpa made the decision to move his family to Louisiana near the small town of Clayton. His married children and their families made this move also. Uncle Ben was the only member of the family that didn't move to Louisiana. He had already left home to start his teaching career.

There were many discomforts in this new land. The mosquito caused outbreaks of malaria; and there was always the threat of floods. World War 1 was declared and Uncle Ocia went overseas. My Daddy Sylvester enlisted and was scheduled for overseas duty when the war ended in 1919.

Aunt Nancy and Aunt Nora's family moved back to Mississippi after only a few years in the Delta country.

longer than any other of the sisters before moving bac k t o The younger members of the family were growing into adults. One by one they married and made homes for themselves. In a few years Aunt Bea was the only one left at home. Uncle Ben had moved to East Texas; Uncle Ocia and my daddy married sisters and shortly after this, Ocia moved to Texas. It was after the disastrous flood of 1922 that my daddy moved his family to Baton Rouge. Denson was moving about and settled in Texas. Uncle Clifton established his home in Lake Charles. Aunt Florence and her husband Hiram settled in northern Mississippi. Aunt Myrtle and her family stayed in the Delta country Mississippi. Uncle John was the only member of the family that stayed his lifetime in the Louisiana Delta. His son Wallace and daughter Linnie Parker still live in this area.

Grandma Grissom was a strong-willed person who guided her large family with firmness and love. Her home was always open to visitors especially to the country preacher who spent the weekends with the church members. She lived a full life in this Delta country but she never loved it like she did the rolling hills of Mississippi that she called home

Grandma died in 1931 after a long illness. She was buried in Natchez Cemetery. Aunt Bea the "baby" of the family left her teaching position to stay with Grandma during her illness. She stayed at home with Grandpa for a short while but left to attend college in Cleveland, Mississippi. She married and made her home there.

Grandpa Joe remained on the farm for two or more years and then he decided to leave the farm. He made his home with Aunt Nora. However, he visited among all his children. He was always a welcome part of the family. He had time to love us and recall family happenings in his slow drawling voice. I'm sure there's not one of you that will forget his "blessing" before every meal.

In February 1941 while traveling to Mississippi after a visit with my family, he lost his life in a tragic automobile accident that also claimed the lives of my parents and twin sisters. He was buried in Natchez beside his wife.

Only three of the eleven brothers and sisters remain with us. Sweet gentle Aunt Nancy, [note Passed away] the oldest sister will be ninety on her next birthday. She and Uncle Jasper still live in their home together, Thank God for their long life.

Uncle Ocia [is 93 as of Oct 19 1986] at eighty-three is still young at heart. How we delight in talking with him. After years of farming in Texas and Mississippi, he retired and moved to California to be near his children. He remains active in his church teaching a Men's Bible class and is always ready to lend a helping hand where it is needed.

The youngest, Aunt Bea [passed away Nov 4 1985] lives a useful busy life. She is active in her church and teaches an adult bible Class. She spends time traveling and she always keeps in touch with all the family.

From Grandpa's 11 children, we now number 38 grandchildren, 99 great grandchildren and many great great-grandchildren. They live in many different states from Connecticut to California. We are an honorable hard working group with strong Christian convictions. We claim ministers, businessmen and many other professional people among our numbers. We can be proud of our Grissom heritage.

Nancy Jefcoats and Joseph Craton Grissom the following children:

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|---|-------|---|
| F | i. | Nancy E. Grissom was born 1887 in Summerland |
| M | ii. | John W. Grissom was born 1888. He died 1942. |
| M | iii. | Benjamin Reuben Grissom b 20 Feb 1890.died Oct 1939. |
| F | iv. | Nora Melinda Grissom b18 Feb 1892. She d24 Jan 1975. |
| M | v. | Ocia Grissom born 18 Oct 1893. d.1991 in Alameda, Calif. |
| M | vi. | Joseph Sylvester Grissom b21 Aug 1895 died 3 Feb 1941. |
| M | vii. | Clifton Lawrence Grissom b18 Mar 1897. died 8 Oct 1961. |
| M | viii. | Denson Claude Grissom b 29 Jan 1900. d28 May 1973. |
| F | ix. | Florence Grissom was born 1903. She died 1974. |
| F | x. | Myrtis Grissom was born 1905. She died 1970. |
| F | xi. | Beatrice Grissom b 12 Apr 1908 in Jasper Co. Ms 4 Nov 1985, She was buried in Cleveland, Ms She married a Davis |

Grandchildren of William Grissom Second Generation

2. **Nancy E. Grissom** the 1st daughter and the 1st child of Joseph Craton Grissom and granddaughter of William Grissom was born 1887 in Summerland, Smith Co. Ms..

Nancy married **Jasper Buckley** in Mississippi.

They had the following children:

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|---|---|-------|--|
| + | F | i. | Flora Buckley. |
| | M | ii. | Joseph C. Buckley. Who married Bethie Yelverston |
| + | F | iii. | Eunice Buckley. |
| + | F | iv. | Maysle Buckley. |
| + | M | v. | Hoye Buckley died Oct 1985. |
| + | M | vi. | Rupert O Buckley. |
| + | F | vii. | Maxine Buckley. |
| + | F | viii. | Merle Buckley. |

3. **John W. Grissom** the 1st son and the 2nd child of Joseph Craton Grissom and grandson of William Grissom was born 1888. He died 1942.

He had the following children:

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|---|---|------|---------------------------------|
| + | M | i. | Glover Grissom. |
| | | ii. | Wallace Grissom |
| | F | iii. | Lennie Grissom. |
| | | | Lennie married a Parker. |

4. **Benjamin Reuben Grissom** the 2nd son and the 3rd child of Joseph Craton Grissom and grandson of William Grissom was born 20 Feb 1890. He died Oct 193

He had the following children:

- + F i. **Juanita Grissom.**
- M ii. **Ben R. Grissom.**
- M iii. **Paul H. Grissom.**
- M iv. **Joseph C. Grissom**

5.. **Nora Melinda Grissom** was born 18 Feb 1892. She died 24 Jan 1975.

Nora married **Travis Stringer**.

They had the following children:

- + M i. **Cleston Creighton Stringer.**
- + M ii. **Robert Carmel Stringer.**
- + M iii. **Zelton James Stringer** died Mar 1999.
- + F iv. **Violet Stringer.**

6. **Ocia Grissom** the 3rd son and the 5th child of Joseph Craton Grissom and grandson of William Grissom was born 18 Oct 1893. He died 1991 in Alameda, Calif.

He had the following children:

- + M i. **Roswell Leon Grissom.**
- + F ii. **Eloise Grissom.**
- + F iii. **Ruby Evelyn Grissom.**
- + F iv. **Linda Lou Grissom.**
- + F v. **Ramona Jo Grissom.**
- + F vi. **Mary Gwendolyn Grissom.**

7. **Joseph Sylvester Grissom** the 4th son and the 6th child of Joseph Craton Grissom and the grandson of William Grissom was born 21 Aug 1895. He died 3 Feb 1941.

He had the following children:

- + F i. **Christine Grissom.**
- + M ii. **James Sylvester Grissom.**

8. **Clifton Lawrence Grissom** The 5th son and the 7th Child of Joseph Craton Grissom and the grandson of William Grissom was born 18 Mar 1897. He died 8 Oct 1961.

He had the following children:

- M i. **Clifton Lawrence Grissom Jr..**
- F ii. **Marjorie Grissom.**
- F iii. **Ann Grissom.**
- M iv. **Robert Grissom.**

9. **Denson Claude Grissom** the 6th son and the 8th child of Joseph Craton Grissom and the grandson of William Grissom was born 29 Jan 1900. He died 28 May 1973.

He had the following children:

- M i. **Howell Dean Grissom**

10. **Florence Grissom** the 3rd daughter and the 9th child of Joseph Craton Grissom and granddaughter of William Grissom was born in 1903 d 1974.

Florence married a **Davis**.

They had the following children:

- M i. **Theo Davis**
- F ii. **Wand Davis.**
- F iii. **Dorothy Davis.**
- M iv. **Hiram Davis.**

11. **Myrtis Grissom** the 4th daughter and the 10th child of Joseph Craton Grissom and granddaughter of William Grissom was born 1905. She died 1970.

Myrtis married a **Elsey**.

They had the following children:

- M i. **Howard Elsey.**
- F ii. **Nelda Elsey.**

Great grand children of William Grissom

13. **Flora Buckley** 1st daughter and 1st child of Nancy E. Grissom granddaughter of Joseph Craton Grissom and great granddaughter of William Grissom.

Flora married **A Gileon**.

They had the following children:

- M i. **Kendall M Gileon**
- F ii. **Carolyn June Gileon** .who married a **Holcomb**

15. **Eunice Buckley** the 2nd daughter and the 3rd child of Nancy E. Grissom, grand daughter of Joseph Craton Grissom and great granddaughter of William Grissom.

Eunice married **A Bowman**.

They had the following children:

- F i. **Nancy Bowman**. Who married a **Morgan**

16. **Maysle Buckley** the 3rd daughter and the 4th child of Nancy E. Grissom, grand daughter of Joseph Craton Grissom and great grand daughter of William Grissom.

married **A Graham**.

They had the following children:

- M i. **Butch Graham.**
- M ii. **Don Graham.**

17. **Hoye Buckley** the 2nd son and the 5th child of Nancy E. Grissom, grandson of Joseph Craton Grissom and great grand son of William Grissom died Oct 1985.

He had the following children

- M ii. **Bill Buckley.**
- M iii. **Tim Buckley.**
- M iv. **Tom J Buckley.**

19. **Maxine Buckley** the 4th daughter and the 7th child of Nancy E. Grissom, granddaughter of Joseph Craton Grissom and great granddaughter of William Grissom

Maxine married **A McBride**.

They had the following children

- F i. **Cynthia McBride.**

Cynthia married **A Ramsey**.

20. **Merle Buckley** the 5th daughter and the 8th child of Nancy E. Grissom, granddaughter of Joseph Craton Grissom and great granddaughter of William Grissom.

Merle married **A Lott**. They had the following children:

M i. **Jimmy Lot**

F ii. **Jessie Lott**.

21. **Glover Grissom** the 1st son and the 1st child of John W. Grissom grandson of Joseph Craton Grissom and great grandson of William Grissom..

Glover married **Mrs Arzel Head**.

They had the following children:

F i. **Travis Grissom**. Who married a **Bryan**.

F ii. **Carolyn Marie Grissom**. Who married an **Evers**

They had the following children:

F i. **Caroline Evers**

M ii. **Richard E Evers**.

28. **Cleston Creighton Stringer** the 1st son and the 1st child of Nora Melinda Grissom, grandson of Joseph Craton Grissom and great grandson of William Grissom.

Cleston married **Mrs Mildred Stringer**.

They had the following children:

F i. **Faye Stringer**. Who married a **Rogillo**

F ii. **Sue Stringer**. Who married a **Morris**

M iii. **C Travis Stringer**.

29. **Robert Carmel Stringer** the 2nd child and the 2nd son of Nora Melinda Grissom, grandson of Joseph Craton Grissom and great grandson of William Grissom.

He had the following children:

F i. **Linda Alice Stringer**. Who married a **Smith**

ii. **Carmel Darrell Stringer**.

M iii. **Freddie Stringer**.

M iv. **Don Stringer**.

30. **Violet Stringer** the 1st daughter and the 4th child of Nora Melinda Grissom, granddaughter of Joseph Craton Grissom and great granddaughter of William Grissom

Violet married a **Smith**.

They had the following children:

M i. **Robert David Smith**.

F ii. **Janice Smith**. Who married a **Walker**

32. **Roswell Leon Grissom** the only son and the 1st child of Ocia Grissom, grandson of Joseph Craton Grissom and great grandson of William Grissom.

He had the following children:

F i. **Alana Grissom**. Who married a **Summers**

M ii. **Charles Leon Grissom**.

F iii. **Rebecca Ann Grissom**. Who married a **McDaniel**

33. **Eloise Grissom** the 1st daughter and the 2nd child of Ocia Grissom, granddaughter of Joseph Craton Grissom and great grand daughter of William Grissom Eloise married a **Schaffer**.

They had the following children:

M i. **Sarrell Matthew Schaffer**.

F ii. **Darlene Ann Schaffer**. Who married a **Hunt**

34. **Ruby Evelyn Grissom** the 2nd daughter and the 3rd child of Ocia Grissom, granddaughter of Joseph Craton Grissom and great granddaughter of William Grissom. Ruby married a **Bain**

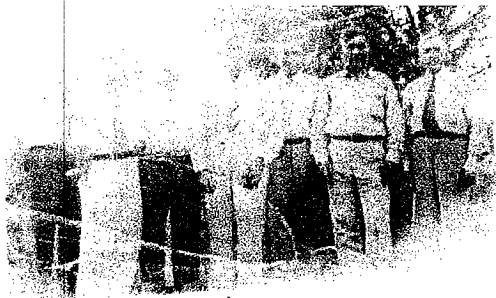
They had the following children:

F i. **Maurine Alice Bain**.

M ii. **Ronald Alexander Bain**.

F iii. **Donna Marie Bain**.

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- 35 **Linda Lou Grissom** the 3rd daughter and the 4th child of Ocia Grissom, granddaughter of Joseph Craton, great granddaughter of William Grissom Linda married a **Fascila**
They had the following children:
M i. **Gary Leroy Fascilla.**
M ii. **Christen Joseph Fascilla.**
36. **Ramona Jo Grissom** the 4th daughter and the 5th child of Ocia Grissom, and the granddaughter of Joseph Craton Grissom married a **Miller**
They had the following children:
F i. **Denise Rae Miller.**
F ii. **Deborah Jo Miller.** who married a Huckaby
37. **Mary Gwendolyn Grissom** the 5th daughter and the 6th child of Ocia Grissom and granddaughter of, Joseph Craton married **Don Fowler**
They had the following children:
M i. **Anthony Claton Fowler.**
M ii. **Michael Don Fowler.**
38. **Christine Grissom** the 1st child and the only daughter of Joseph Sylvester Grissom and granddaughter of, Joseph Craton Grissom.
Christine married a **Brown.**
They had the following children:
F i. **Marilyn Brown.** married a **Tillery**
39. **James Sylvester Grissom [2]** The 2nd child and the only son of Joseph Sylvester Grissom and grandson of Joseph Craton Grissom
He had the following children:
i. **William Joseph Grissom**
ii. **Robert Gene Grissom**
iii. **Sue Ellen Grissom**
iv. **James Sylvester Grissom Jr.**



A group of Grissom cousins

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[7] Mary Belinda Grissom [Bethea] [b1891]

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**Mary Ann Belinda Grissom
Daughter of
William Grissom**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780, William Grissom 1819]

1. **Mary Ann Belinda Grissom** the only daughter and the 7th child of **Nancy Tubbs** and **William Grissom** was born 1865.

Mary married **James Bethea** in Summerland, Smith Co. Ms..

They had the following child

- + F i. **Annie Bethea** was born 22 May 1891.

Grandchildren of Nancy Tubbs and William Grissom

2. **Annie Bethea**¹ the 1st daughter and the 1st child of **Mary Ann Belinda Grissom** and **James Bethea** and the granddaughter of **Nancy Tubbs** and **William Grissom** was born 22 May 1891 in Summerland, Smith Co. Ms..

Annie married **Archie Massey**² son of **Levi Massey** and **Martha E. Hair** 1907 in Jones Co. Ms.. Archie was born 23 Apr 1885 in Paulding, Ms.. He died 15 Feb 1926.

Annie Bethea and **Archie Massey** had the following children:

- M i. **Walter Carr Massey** born 26 June 1908 in Summerland Smith Co. Ms..
 Walter married **Elma Lee Ishee**.
- F ii. **Zenobia Massey** was born 18 Feb 1910.
- F iii. **Mary Eddith Massey** was born 26 Mar 1912.
- F iv. **Amanda Wilma Massey** was born 20 May 1914.
 Amanda married **Olen Black**.
- M v. **Lelden Levi Massey**³ was born⁴ 18 Aug 1916. He died⁴ 26 Dec 1930 in Jasper Co.. Ms..
- F vi. **Hettie Mae Massey** was born 10 Dec 1919.
 Hettie married **Calvin Graham**.
- F vii **Annis Lee Massey** was born 15 April 1929

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[8] Reuben Washington Grissom [b1868]

**Reuben Washington Grissom
Son Of
William Grissom**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780, William Grissom 1819]

1. **Reuben Washington Grissom** the 7th son was also the 9th and last child of Nancy Tubbs and William Grissom. Reuben Washington Grissom was born¹ 30 Oct 1868 At Summerland in Smith Co Ms.. He died 2 Nov 1943 in Pools Cemetery, Montgomery Co. TX..

Reuben married **Mary Ellen Suggs** on 30 Oct 1890 in Summerland, Smith Co. Ms.. Mary was born 14 Apr 1870 in Smith County, Ms.. She died 4 Feb 1941 in Pools Cemetery, Montgomery Co. TX.



Mary Ellen Suggs and Reuben Washington had the following children:

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|---|-------|---|
| M | i. | Charlie Washington Grissom was born 6 Nov 1891 in Summerland, Smith Co. Ms. died 4 Jul 1970 Richards TX. |
| F | ii. | Lillie Mae Grissom was born 30 Oct 1893 in Summerland, |
| M | iii. | Dossie A. Grissom was born Oct 1896 in Summerland, |
| M | iv. | Dewey Grissom was born 23 May 1898 in Summerland |
| F | v. | Nell Grissom was born 4 Feb 1901 in Summerland |
| F | vi. | Addie Grissom was born 23 Nov 1903 in Summerland. |
| F | vii. | Dessie Grissom was born 1 Jun 1905 in Summerland |
| F | viii. | Bradis Grissom was born 8 Feb 1907 1907Summerland |

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**Granddaughter of Reuben Washington
Grissom, Margaret Allcorn & spouse**

R. W. Grissom

Heart Attack

Victim Tuesday

R. W. Grissom 75, a long time resident of Montgomery County died at his home near Richards Tuesday afternoon following a heart attack. Mr. Grissom was well known throughout the county. As Bud Grissom and was a leader in the religious, political and business activities of his community. Funeral services were held at the **Union Grove Church**, Wednesday afternoon, Nov 3[1944] with the Rev. J. W. Hamilton at Madisonville, R. N. Davis of Normangee, J. s. Turner of Huntsville and G. R. Ray of Richards conducting the rites. Interment followed in the **Pool School House cemetery**

Reuben Washington Grissom was born October 30 1868 in Mississippi moving to Montgomery County in 1908 where he spent the rest of his useful years. Three years ago he and his wife, Mrs Mary Ellen Grissom, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. Besides his widow he is survived by two sons, C. W. Grissom, Richards, and Dewey Grissom of Houston, three daughters, Mrs., J. F. Tims and Mrs. Elvie Welch and Mrs Henry Montgomery all of Richards, 13 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren and a foster son, J. B. Hall of Port Arthur

Mr. Grissom was a devoted Christian and was a deacon and the foundation stone of the Union Grove Baptist

[4] OTHER DOCUMENTATION

RYNEHART LETTER

1249 South First Street
Louisville, Ky.
7/21/1932

Mr. B. F. Hinton
Soso, Miss.

Dear Cousin:

There is not much that I can tell you about the Georgia relations, most of them are dead or moved away. I could very easily read your letter only it was very dim and I had to go over it with a heavier lead pencil. You made the same mistake that most everyone does by not giving the names of the relatives of whom you spoke.

I am very anxious to get facts of the original families--head of families--Can you give me the name of the father and mother of our grandfather, John Hinton the father of your Joshua Hammond Hinton? Your father was born on the birthday of his maternal grandfather Joshua Hammond, January 1, 1810.

Now who did your father marry and where was he born? Grandfather John Hinton at one time lived in Monroe Co. Georgia, and give me all the dates you may have Also I would like to know the name of the father and mother of James Grisham. Was he the son of a Methodist preacher and any dates. There was a Jane Hinton who married George W. McGinty between 1118838-45. I heard my mother speak of the McGinty Children but I never saw them only heard her refer to them. The only one I remember of Richard [Dick] Hinton's children was John and Sallie They lived at my father's home for some time, they are now dead. I do not know the whereabouts of their children.

You are the son of the eldest child of 12 children. My mother was the youngest and married Wm. Rynehart in 1853. I was the 5th child. I have no grandchildren and only one daughter living. My youngest sister Camilla lives in Texas. I too work hard all my life. I have done a great deal of research work. Let us hear from you again. I appreciate your letter but next time go into details, the most important now is Sarah Rebecca Hinton and her father John Hinton, in Muskogee[?] County Georgia. John Hinton [Rebecca's husband] was born in North Farmham Parish Richmond County Virginia [or Hoblitt, Hobles, or George[?] Hale] Richmond County Virginia. Joshua Hammond was twice captured in the, twice escaped at the siege of Augusta Georgia. He swam the Savannah River, and under fire dived and finally reached the South Carolina side. And reached his company Joshua and Sarah Hammond Hammond lived at Cherokee Forge Edgefield District, South Carolina where his first children were born.

Charles Hammond born July 1, 1793 and died Sept 13, 1888, age 95 years. In 1826 he moved to Monroe County, Georgia near High Falls Toulige[?] River, then to Butte[?] County Georgia where he lived until 1849 then to Henry County Georgia [now Spalding Co.] near Griffen Georgia where he died.
He was twice married.

First wife Naomi[?] Martin of Jackson County Georgia
by whom he had three children

Nancy Randolph Hammond married a Mr. Boyd[?]
Sarah Rebecca Hammond married Wm. R. Fullerton
Samuel Hammond--died 2/6/1874

Second wife Nancy Jester, of Edgefield District South Carolina [daughter of Levi Jester shows father came from Philadelphia Pa.]

Nancy's grandfather Frasier came from Scotland and Levi Jester married his daughter Rose Anna Frasier. Mr Frasier's mother was a Biddle. Charles and Nancy Jester Hammond [had] 7 children. Plus 2 died in infancy.

Henry Hammond--unmarried
Abner Hammond married and had a family
Benjamin Hammond [deserted in Civil War]
William James Hammond
Charles Clayton
Joshua Hammond
Mary Elizabeth Roseanne [Rose] Hammond

Mary Elizabeth Roseanne Hammond married William [?] Latte (son of Alexander Latte, pvt. In War of 1812, In Capt Thomas F. Anderson's company of riflemen Co of Ga. Military 4 [Jones] reg. Ga. Mil. 1812 vol. Ion Pendleton Dist., S. C. Date of Widow's

application for pension 8-9-1879. Certificate number 27423. Her claim was allowed, residence Spalding Co. Ga. Soldier {Samuel Hammond} married Auslander M Burchfield. In 1850 he was 58 years old and a resident of Henry Co. Ga. He died 1-21-1812 There were three Joshua Hammonds—two died in infancy. The third Joshua Hammond was born 1785. He was living in Monroe Co. Ga. 5-25-1875 when he was allowed a pension for service in the War of 1812. He enlisted at Edgefield Dist. S. C. June 14th 1812. He married Mary Ann Walker in 1814, she died prior to 1872.

Joshua and Mary Ann Walker Hammond's children were
Joshua Hammond [great father of B. f. Hinton] married Emily Davis
Abner Hammond married Penelope Whitcob
Samuel Hammond married Nancy Jackson
Joshua Hammond married Martha ?
Elizabeth Hammond married William Rogers
Winnie Hammond married Mr. Blackston later Mr. Duncan
Mary Ann Hammond married Millage Hartsfield [born 1812]

1st John Hammond died in infancy in Edgefield Dist S. C. and a Tory helped to dig his grave. Sarah his mother carried the baby's body in his coffin to the grave riding horseback.

#4th Samuel Hammond married Matilda Cotton

#5th Abner Hammond married Ann R. Spence, no living children
Married Elvira Davis 4-11=1833—12-7-1884

children of Abner Hammond
Samuel Hammond born 5-8-1864, died 1867
Joseph Hammond
Joshua T. Hammond born 10-8-1838. Killed at Sharpsburg [Anthem]
Sarah Elvira Hammond died without issue
Louis[is] Hammond born 12-25-1843 married Davis
Children
Miss Millie Davis
Harry Davis [with the Big Hearted Gin Co.]
George Henry Washington Hammond married first Nancy Fullerton
Married second some scotch women.

#6th Sarah Rebecca Hammond [daughter of Lev. Joshua Hammond and Sarah Hammond-Hammond] married John Hinton said to be the son of Wood and Catherine Hammond Hinton born 3-6-1746

John Hinton born 1788 died 1864 Sarah Rebecca Hammond Hinton born 1793 died 1849 married 1809

Children

1. Joshua Hammond Hinton born 1-1-1810 married and settled in Mississippi at George's Camp near Ravetta, P. O. and 40 miles from Sholioty, Jones County Mississippi bef. 1883.

[insert found on a following page ed.] Joshua Hammond Hinton left hand burned when 2 years old. Fell from a tree when 8 years old broke ribs and dislocated shoulder. Sold father's estate in 1862 [for \$] 75,000 1 part was 7,500 in confederate money. Paid 1000 for a Negro boy put \$1000 in Bank at Mobile was offered 2.50 for \$1000.

2. Richard [Dick] Hinton His marriage certificate recorded in Muskogee Co. Ga. "Richard H". Hinton and Mary J. Elder 11-14-1842

[insert from following page ed.] Jane Hinton widow of Richard H, W. Hinton married a 2nd time to George McGinty between 1838-1845 and had several children. Her will in Muskogee Co Ga. "B" 177]

3. Charles Hinton died a young man disappointed in love and committed suicide on his father's farm

4. Catherine [Katie] Hinton the eldest daughter a very handsome titian haired woman. She married David Lopez ,settled in Charleston S. C. where he was in the Window Door and Blinds manufacturing business. Supposed to have owned a plaining mill. He went abroad every year. He took his wife everywhere in Europe for her health where she was considered the handsomest women at a banquet of 500 guests. She died at the age of 28 years. He married the 2nd time. Was considered very wealthy and he had children by both wives.

Lopez children

1. John
2. Dave
3. Mose—wholesale merchant in St. Louis, Mo.

5. Sarah Rebecca Hinton married James Grissom, they moved to Miss. Before the war between the States. She died in Jasper Co. Miss. They had ten children

James and Rebecca Hinton Grissom children

1. Dave Grissom died unmarried

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2. Sarah Ann Grissom died unmarried
 3. G. W. [Jack] married Jane Etheridge
 4. John Grissom married Harriet Jane Harris
 5. Malvina Grissom married Wade Stringer
 6. Rebecca Grissom married Wash Stringer
 7. James Benjamin [Snap] married Abbie Crosby
 8. Mary Jane Grissom married W. D. Knight
 9. Emma Grissom married S. F. Hilburn
 - 10 Joshua Grissom married ?

6. Margaret Ellen Hinton married H. C. Ivey had four children all are dead long years ago married 3/29/1849

7. Frances Ann Hinton married Mr. McConnell [or McKinnel] and had two daughters

1. Fannie died at the age of 18
2. Laura married Judge Milford

Second marriage to John W. Davis, had three children two boys and one girl

1. Price Davis died when young
2. Cris or Christopher Davis died when young

3. Jennie Davis married Frank McCardle and had 3 children 1 boy and 2 girls all born in Chicago, Ill. [cannot tell if the second marriage listed is for the mother Frances Ann Hinton or for the daughter Laura who married Judge Milford, ed]

8. ? [the question mark is all that appears here. Ed]

9. Benjamin Hinton was drowned when a young man. Although he was considered the best swimmer in Muskogee Co. Ga.. He was taught by an Indian boy who belonged to his father, as well as to shoot and ride. He was trying to ford a swollen creek when drowned. This Indian boy ran away when he reached his 21st year.

10 and 11 Are not known by me whether they died in infancy or lived to marry. There were 12 children to this family.

12. Mary Ann Elizabeth Hinton born 1830 in Ga. Died 1902 in Brantley Ala. At the home of her daughter, Mrs Camilla a Cosby, wife of Moley Cosby a 32 degree Mason. She was married in 1853 to William Rynehart who was born 1822 in Miss. And died 1907 in Brantley Ala/ They had 12 children all except 4 died before they were 3 years old

SARAH REBECCA HAMMOND.....born 1793 [My great great grandfather and mother]

Married 1509

JOHN HINTON.....born 1788

children were

Joshua Hammond Hinton born 1/1/1810.....married Arrena Grissom

Richard Hinton.....married Mary Jane Kider

Charles.....

Catherine.....

Sarah Rebecca.....married James Grissom [this is incorrect]

Margaret Ellen.....married H. G. Ivey

Frances Ann.....Mr McConnell & John W. Davis

Benjamin.....

Mary Ann Elizabeth.....married Wm Rynehart

two or three other children the facts not known by me

JAMES Hammond Hinton.....BORN 1/1/1810

Married

A[?] Jene Grishom [ARRENA GRISSOM]

children were

Benjamin Franklin Hinton

James [Uncle Jim children Coon, Pat, Eola, ?]

Richard.....married Peggy

Abner.....married Ima Jane Holifield

John.....

Sara.....married Alex Gunter

Katherine [Aunt Kit].....married John Harper & Robert Harper

Elizabeth [Aunt Bet].....married M. Knight & Mr. Coats

Charles.....married Irene Grissom

Ann Coleman
children were
Caty Catherine Hammond born 3/8/1746.....married John Wood Leroy Hinton
John Hammond.....born 12/17/1750
Ann Hammond.....born 5/22/ 1753
Joshua Hammond.....born 1/1/1754.....married cousin Sarah Hammond
Winnie Hammond.....born 5/27/1755
Savannah [Suzie].....born 9/28/1780

JOSHUA HAMMOND.....1/1/1754
married

SARAH HAMMOND

children were

Charles Hammond.....born 7/1/1793.....married Naomi Martin & Nancy Jester
Nancy Elizabeth Roseanne Hammond.....married Wm T, Latte
Joshua [third 2 died in infancy]..born 1785
Samuel Hammond.....married Matilda
Abner Hammond.....married Ann B. Spence & Elvira Davis
Sarah Rebecca.....born 1793.....married John Hinton born 1788

[A note from Royce Stringer regarding the above letter]

“Attached are:

I. Page from HOMETOWN, MISSISSIPPI, which gives the location of the old **Bunker Hill, Ms. Post Office**

II. Copy of alleged roster of Company A. 8th Mississippi Infantry, Confederate Army, showing G. W. [George Washington Grissom]

III. “Originals of three letters written by Mrs. Minnie Rhinehart Hogan [see above ed.] of Louisville Ky. To Mr. B. F. Hinton of Soso, Ms I. E.;

July 21, 1932

Nov 2 1941

April 20, 1942

[Note the rusty staple holding together the letter of Nov. 1941..the three pages do not match. It appears the 1941 letter should only be a two page letter. The middle page probably was the second and closing page to the first letter dated 1932. Someone must have made extra copies of these letters many years ago and put them back together wrong.

The two page letter of 1942 contains the phrase ‘I am inclosing...’ which indicates that at least two pages of the tables go with the 1942 letter and maybe all four or five were originally sent with the last letter. On the other hand, it is possible that Mrs. Hogan provided Mr Hinton with the first letter the narrative of the children of John Hinton/Sarah Rebecca Hinton Hammond and with the last letter only the tables concerning the Hammond offspring.

The mix of pages does not really matter unless some one were wanting to use one or the other letters to document a lineage as in DAR/SAR in which case the letter would need to be as whole as possible showing both salutation and proper close....at least that is one opinion

Another note from Royce Stringer"

P. O. Box 142
Stringer, Ms.
3 Nov, 1998

Dear Cecil and Phyllis

An old [1888] map on file at Jones Co. Genealogy Library shows **Georges Camp** was located between Summerland and Soso in NW Jones County. [I've not yet spotted the other two names in the Rhinehart ltr.]

A little book **Jones County Ms. History** a collection of several essay written around 1926 reveals "Georges Camp" was a functioning early post office, one of several on an old pony express route between Shubuta [Clarke Co.] and Williamsburg [near Collins, Covington Co.] The little write up mentions Lawrence Welborn of Mico, Ms. Mico was a little post office just east of Shady Grove [actually NE of the county store known as "Convenience Corner"] Hwy 15 Jones Co Ms. Mr C. C. Welborn a grandson or great grand son still owns some of the old farm...C. C. is current President of our local chapter of Sons of American Rev....

2 paragraphs following not included

Regards, cousin Royce John Stringer

Wilson and Frances Grissom

Telephone call 23 Nov. 1986 to Katherine Gregg regarding the Lauderdale Grissom family

Wilson's sister lives in Meridian phone 482 6384

Wilson Grissom is dying with cancer and is not clear all the time. Frances Grissom stated that the sister in Meridian could show us the area and old homestead of original Grissom's in Lauderdale County.

Wilson's great-grandfather was John Grissom William's brother. His father was Josh Grissom

Some 15 -20 years ago Wilson Grissom, James Grissom, and Lester Welch traced family back some 4-5 generations and they have copy.

Frances doesn't know which daughter has it, but will find it tonight and send a copy. John Grissom is buried in Mount Carmel Cemetery [Bailey Lauderdale County]

Migration from Lauderdale to Smit county resulted from one brother shooting brother John [who didn't die]

Louis Lester Welch Louisville 773 3226

Telephone conversation [no date]

Sister Mrs Manson Talbert 737 2312

Cody stated that his great grand parents were Amanda Grissom married to G. W. coats

He stated that he knew John and Elizabeth were grand parents Had never heard of Isham

[NOTE]but the Coats named a son or grand son John Isom also the Hinton's at Summerland named a son John Isom. [1986]

Question posed by Phyllis Grissom

[1] Does Robert b 1812 S Car. appear in any other census beyond or before the 1850 Kemper co Census? Are the names of his children i.e. Spartan and Minerva clues to help identify his proper family group?

[2] 1790 Fairfield Co S. Car. Lists

a Thomas Malone with 2 males over 16, 3 males under 16, 5 females and 1 slave

b William Malone with 1 male over 16, 3 males under 16, 3 females and no slaves

something to keep in mind while searching for the identity of Isham Grissom's wife. Any relationship here?

[3] 1793 Jan 4 Benj Mosely Sr. - wife Winnie, child, Jonathan, Polley York, Benj. Jr. Wm., Betsy Paradise,

Sealley Merony....home plantation 200 acres on Soap Creek. Wife Winnie & son Wm. Exec. Prob 14 Dec 1793 Wit Sam I Crawley, Alex Mosely, D Stoval [Lincoln Co Ga. - **Early Records of Ga. vol 1 Wilkes Co pp 61 - 62**

[4] 1817 Feb 7 Benj Maroney and Elizabeth Grisham 1819 May 27 [Jasper Co. Ga. **37,000 Early Georgia Marriages** by Maddox and Carter] Is the above Sealley Merony any relation to Benj. Maroney? Could she be a mother or a 1st wife? A sister? I would guess a relationship of some kind. Is there an 1800 or 1820 census that would give us "Benjie's" Maroney's approximate age?

[5] Are there other Maronys or Malones in Georgia at this time? Royce Stringer addresses this question regarding Mississippi as well. See his **Suppositions** posted elsewhere in this book.

[6] "...The courthouse [of Kemper County Mississippi] was destroyed by fire in 1891, with the records and documents" Does this impact our knowledge of Isham Gresham/Grissom's activities in this county? [Memories of Mississippi Biographical and Historical page 218

[7] In 1840 the population of Kemper County was 10.35 people per square mile. [est from square miles and total population figures presented in the above text] Could this estimation help us to pinpoint the location of the Grissom family cluster on a map? How close is the Kemper family cluster to the family group in Lauderdale County? Can we create a map showing these Grissoms and related families?

[8] Royce Stringer has gathered enough material on the related families in the Tri - County area [Jasper, Jones, and Smith counties, Ms. That I think we could construct such a map now.

[9] Response to Royce's **Supposition # 2** regarding the spelling of the surname for Isham Grissom's wife Elizabeth; I have found a spelling "Morrowsan" and other variants in SURNAMES AND CHRISTIAN NAMES IN IRELAND page 88. Is the spelling "Maronne" etc. anything other than assumption on the part of earlier researchers? Is there another primary source for Elizabeth showing a different spelling? Who recorded her name as Maloney in the family bible referred to in the To in the Talbert letter [see page 12]

[10] A David Gresham is on the 1840 census for Claiborne Co. Ms. and a David Gresham is on the Tax Roll for Lauderdale Co. Ms in 1840. Is this the same David? Our David, son of Isham Grissom was born in 1817, He would have been 23 years old in 1840. The family is on the move. David's 1st child Alethea was born in Ga in 1838. His 2nd child Elizabeth was born in Mississippi in 1841. These dates appear to give us a time frame for David's journey westward. Did he check out Claiborne Co. Before settling in Lauderdale Co?

[11] **Jury duty** If called for jury duty, does that not imply the subject is a registered voter? Are voter records extant? What information would they yield?

And then a letter from Shirley Hammes a descendant of Arena Grissom

16 Aug 1997

Dear Royce;

Thank you so much for the Hinton Cemetery research. The first names that appeared were my great grand parents Richard H. and Mary Margaret also their oldest son, whose initials were J. W. H. I imagine that was John WA. Hinton. Your information provided me with needed dated of death for my records. I'll probably send for copies of their death certificates [**no death certificates in Mississippi in the 19th century..ed**] I'm hoping to find out if any of that line had diabetes as it is not on my maternal side but it turned up on me 7 years ago

No I haven't done any research on the Grissom line. I'd like to but I'm still trying to finish up the Hinton line. Up until Jan. of this year, I had nothing on Hintons as I had so little info to go on. Then I found 2 half cousins in Canton who provided me with my grand mother's maiden name and with that I was off and.....?.....A dear lady responded to an inquiry of mine in **EVERTON'S GENEALOGY HELPER** and sent me her family sheets happened to be mine also. One clue leads to another.

Ny most recent acquisition is a copy of my grand parents marriage certificate - a real coupe - now, I'm seeking proof of their divorce - not in Jones or Wayne Co. so must try other counties - Eventually, I hope to pursue othr lines.

If you don't subscribe to Everton's I suggest you do so - I found a very capable lady in Salt Lake City who for a small sum will get census indexes and copies of census pages also marriage indexes and copies - It's been a time saver. Everton's sent me a list of family names that have the same research - for \$10.00 per family name they'll you up to 32 pages on each.....?...

The Hinton books - actually there are 3 or 4 - are written by George W. Hinton, born in 1929 in McLean Ms, I looked up Grissom and the only thing I found was John Hinton m Sarah Rebecca Hammond his 2nd cousin John was born in S.C. moved to Ga. Also Joshua Hinton's marriage to Irene Anna Grissom [**Arena Grissom according to Grissom records married Joshua Hinton. It is believed that Irene Anna in the Hinton records is the same person. Hence there appears two spellings for her given name i.e. Irene Anna and/or Arena...ed.**]and a list of all their kids. Sarah being one of them. Another Sarah H was a daughter of John Hinton but if dates are correct she lived only 1 year...the letter continues with information concerning another family line then closes thus...I'll write and relate anything I've found on your Mauldins. It is a prominent name in this area.

Sincerely
Shirley Hammes

HINTON FAMILY CEMETERY

Section 35, Township 10 north, Range 14 west, St Stephen Meridian. ;extreme northwest Jones Co. Ms.]
Surveyed 29 June 1999 by Mrs Katherine Gregg, Mr. And Mrs.. Cecil Grissom and Royce Stringer -
descendants of Hintons. The cemetery is located on private property of Mr. And Mrs. Dale Moore of
Summerland area.

Directions: From Ms/ Hwy. 38 at Summerland Ms take Summerland Road just south of Summerland Baptist
Church, continuing southward less than a mile to intersection of Gambrell Road. Turn onto Gambrell and
travel westward about one mile. The cemetery is back off road in thick grove of pines. Consult with owner
prior to any planned visit.

FRONT ROW

Large native rock - no identification; appears to mark a grave

Large native rock - same as first rock

R. W. Hinton.....Jul 1 1842..... July 7 1899.....1st Bn 8 Ms. INF CSA [family history indicates "Richard
Hammond Hinton"]

R. H. Hinton.....May 9 1843.....Oct 26 1890 Wife of R. H. Hinton [family history indicates : Mary Margaret
Knight, d/o James Knight and Harriett Youngblood.]

John Hinton.....1865.....Oct 1 1986...Gitano Camp 357 W. O. W.

BACK ROW

Alas L. [Knight].....Mar 26 1864.....June 9 1901 Wife of Eugene Knight

J. H. Hinton.....Jul 1 1810.....Mar 24 1889 b. Edgefield Co S. C. [A family history indicates "Joshua Hammond
Hinton, son of John Hinton/Sarah Rebecca Hammond. Also Joshua was the husband of Arenah [or Irene
Anna] Grissom. She was d/o Isham Grissom/Elizabeth Maloney]

a large native rock.....no identification; appears to mark grave and is next to J. H. possibly wife Arenah
Grissom Hinton

OTHER

John Doe [Mr Dale Moore, see above, stated there is local history of an unidentified man found dead on a RR
boxcar in Summerland M., many years ago. There were no papers on him so locals knew of nothing else but
to bury him in this nearby old cemetery.]

HISTORICAL REFERENCE

Land grant # 12426 to Joshua H. Hinton Section 35 year 1855 plus land grant 10930 to James Grissom section
35 year 1854. Hinton and Grissom married sister of the other; children double cousins.

Footnote

The 1860 Jones Co. Census shows no Elizabeth Grissom age 65 in the H. H. Hinton household. She was Mrs Isham Grissom, mother of the
wie of H. H.. Elizabeth is thought to be buried here or in the Murray cemetery 2 1/2 miles to the south where another daughter Betsy Grissom
Murray rests.

..Notes of Royce Stringer...

ROBERT GRESHAM WHO ARE YOU?

Correspondence 20 June 2001

Milton, here is a page from my family history regarding a Robert Grissom. His place of birth is not recorded here though I have thought it must be North Carolina. The names of his children do not fit the naming patterns of the other siblings of Isham Grissom. . Could he be a son of the Robert you have in your files.? Your Robert would be of the same generation as our Isham and the right age to be this Robert's father. I so want to find his proper place.He does not appear in any future document. He must have traveled further west. I have kept him on our family tree just so he does not get lost.
Phyllis

Hi Phyllis,

My Robert Gresham was in Halifax Co Va. in 1747 but sold land witnessed by Edward Gresham in Amelia Co Va.. I am not sure whether he lived in Amelia Co at one time or if he inherited land there and Edward helped him sell it. Edward moved to Orange Co Va in 1758 . I feel certain the Halifax & Amelia co Greshams are closely related. I do think he would be too old to be Roberts father.

Milty -----

How about grandfather?

Phyllis

Phyllis,

OK, here is what I think and I always get in trouble when I think especially when the evidence is as flimsy as this but, you were probably headed in the same direction anyway

.Robert Gresham b 1758 in Orange NC had a son John A. Gresham (see extract from Gresham Forum below) . The only thing I am basing this on is the name **Minerva** that is common to one of John's children and your Robert's child Minerva. Also, John born 1805 & Robert born 1812 (I believe) could be brothers. Extract: "Lynn, I am delighted to find someone researching the same family lines. My ancestor was Robert E. Grisham, 1842-1912 who was brother to William Jasper Gresham. This is my list of children of John A. Gresham/Grisham and Nancy Jordan: Robert E. Gresham, m. Ara Ann Walker; William Jasper Gresham, m. Susan A. McDonald; Emeline (Emily) (Em)Gresham m. Jesse Peeler; Sarah Gresham m. James K. Wilkerson; Amanda Gresham never married; Minerva Gresham m. Doss Day; unknown Gresham m. Benjamin Bright."

I believe that Robert born 1758 was the son of Harris Gresham (born 1730) brother of my Edward Gresham (of Amelia co Va/Orange Co NC) and for whom Edward's (Amelia Co) son Harris (who was my direct ancestor) was named. I doubt Robert (b 1758) could be the son of Robert (of Halifax Co) that owned & sold land (Edward Sr witnessed for Robert) along Harris Creek in Amelia Co Va. because there is no evidence that Robert (Amelia co) moved to Orange Co NC and therefore Robert (b 1758) was probably named after Robert (of Halifax co) & Robert (Halifax Co), Edward (Amelia Co) & Harris (born 1730) were brothers. I believe this is the way I have it in my information I sent to you previously.

About Sir Edward (married 1st Mary Clark & 2nd Mary Campion); GAWYSI Chart Vol 16 No 1 Jan 2001. I found a marriage date of 9 May 1615 (hope this is accurate) for Sir Edward which had to be the date of his second marriage. Edward was, however, born 1618 which would make him a product of Sir Edward's second marriage and we are fairly certain this is not accurate, therefore, this is pretty good evidence that Edward (and John if they are brothers) at least is the product of another union which appears to be that of Sir William & Elizabeth Finch. We are getting closer.....I think!!! Milty

Oh Milton this sounds so reasonable. I will add this info to Robert's page. I think we have found him a home. I gladly give him to you.Now. what is he doing in with my bunch? Is my Isham Born 1780 S. C. to David Born 1755 **Halifax Va** son of Phillip born 1730 god alone knows where, his uncle? One more thing what about that name SpartaThe plot thickens Phyllis g [**This is an example of how some lost family members get found. Robert is related somehow. He just does not seem to be a son of Isham's**]

5] OTHER DESCENDANTS OF ISHAM GRISSOM

[A] ROBERT GRISSOM [b1812]

Robert Grissom

Son Of

Isham Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham 1780]

1. **Robert Grissom**¹ who probably is not the son of Isham Grissom was born >1812. Robert married **Elizabeth** on prior to 1838 in Ga. Elizabeth was born² 1823 in Alabama. They had the following children:

- | | | |
|---|------|---|
| F | i. | Mary Grissom was born 1842. |
| F | ii. | Martha Grissom was born 1843. |
| F | iii. | Elizabeth Grissom was born 1844. |
| M | iv. | Spartan Grissom was born 1844. |
| F | v. | Minerva Grissom was born 1848. |

Sources

1. 1850 Census Aug 21, 1850 Kemper Co Ms. Census. " Households 5,7 and 8 appear to make up a family group. Robert is found in a Gresham family cluster in Kemper co Ms 1850. He then disappears from the records. He is born too early to be the son of Elizabeth Merrasone (Maloney). if Isham had a previous marriage, Robert could have been the child of such a marriage. Since it is not proved or unproved that Robert is part of this family, it is thought best to carry him in the family circle until his true place is found.
2. 1850 Census Aug 21, 1850 Kemper Co Ms. Census. This record shows Elizabeth to be 29.

Ed's note. In 1812 Isham Gresham was 32 years old. IT is thought he was born in 1780. It is possible that Isham was married prior to his marriage to Betsey Maloney. It is possible that this Robert was the son of an earlier marriage. It is also possible that the birth of Robert and the death of Isham's spouse in the childbirth led to Isham entering the War of 1812. since much is possible and proof is wanting, the cousins agreed to carry this Robert in their history until such a time as they can determine where he belongs.

David Grissom
Son Of
Isham Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham 1780]

David Grissom was the 1st son and the 1st child of **Isham Grissom** and **Elizabeth Merrasone [Maloney?]** born^{1,2}

1817 in Jasper Co. Ga. He died^{1,2} Bef 1880. He was buried^{1,2} in Bailey, Lauderdale Co. Ms

As far as is known, he should be listed as the oldest child of Elizabeth and Isham Grissom. As such his name gives further credence to the claim of David Gresham 1755 being the father of Isham.

MARRIAGE: Marriage date for David and Minnie was estimated from the information found in the census record for 1850 for Lauderdale Co. Ms. #702 David Grissom 33m b Ga

Minnie 33 f b Ga

Leatha 12 f b Ga

In 1850 Leatha is 12 years old. Her birth year would have been 1838. This being the case, until the marriage records are found, the best that can be done is to say that the marriage took place prior to 1838. David first appears in Ms on the Lauderdale Co. Ms tax rolls of 1840. Isham Gresham also is on the same roll. All of David's children are born in Ms except for his 1st born Leatha. David remains in Lauderdale Co. Ms. for the rest of his life. His son, David Jr, will

remain in his household. David Sr's father Isham is found living near him until records for Isham Grissom no longer exist. Minnie died^{1,2} Bef 1870. She was buried^{1,2} Bailey Ms.

Time Line for David Grissom

1817 David Gresham/Grissom the son of Elizabeth and Isham Grissom is born in Ga. [Note Information as to birth year is found on the 1850 Lauderdale Co Ms Census Record]

1837 On or about 1837 David Grissom was married in Ga. In 1838 his 1st child Altha is born in Ga. Shortly thereafter, David journeyed to Mississippi. He is either traveling with Isham Grissom or soon followed him to Lauderdale Co. Ms., David appears on the Mississippi Tax Rolls

1839 page 51 David Grissom one poll tax 37 ½

1841 page 71 David Grissom one poll tax 37 ½ [Note The 1850 Lauderdale Co Census record has Elizabeth Grissom daughter of David born in Ms. Abt 1841. This seems to suggest that David has moved his family to Mississippi sometime between the birth of Leatha Grissom in 1837 in Georgia and the birth of his 2nd child Elizabeth in Mississippi. Elizabeth is listed as 9 years old on the 1850 Census records.

1843 page 87 David Grissom one poll tax 37 ½

1846 page 115 David Grissom one poll tax 50 cents

Note Information researched by Royce Stringer]

1850 Lauderdale Co. Ms. Census David Grissom age 33 b Ga and his fa

Note David Grissom was living beside Arena Grissom and Joshua Hinton Households 702 and 703

1860 Lauderdale Co. Ms. Census David Grissom age 44 born Ga. Farmer

Minnie age 43 born Ga. [In 1850 Minnie and David were both 33]

Leatha age 21 born Ga.

Betty age 18 born Ms [Elizabeth is now called Betty]

Preseny age 16 born Ms [This is Nancy the nickname is not clear]

Martha age 13 born Ms.

David Jr. age 7 born Ms [This David was born abt 1853]

Note Isham Grissom is found living next door to David. Isham was living alone

1870 Lauderdale Co Ms. Census

David Grissom age 60 born Ga Farmer
Letha age 25 born Ga.
Elizabeth age 23 born Ga.
Irena age age 21 born Ga
Martha age 19 born Ms.
David Jr. 16 born Ms

Note Some changes or errors in places of birth noted in this record No record of Isham found

1880 Lauderdale Co. M. Census David Grissom age 30 [evidently David Sr has passed away. This would be the David who was 26 in 1870.

Leatha age 40 [sister to David Jr. now head of household] born Ga.
Rena age 29 [sister] born Ms.
Bettie Hale age 38 [sister] born Ms.
Willie Hale age 5 [niece] born Ms

1885 7 April 1885 David Grissom Jr. marries Orrie Ester Welch

DEATH: The last record found for David is the 1870 Lauderdale co Ms census. By 1880 David sr. is no longer the head of the household. David jr. has now assumed that place. Since David Sr was in his 80s in 1870 it is thought that he had passed on in the interim.

David Grissom and Minnie had the following children:

- F i. Alethea Grissom was born 1838.
- F ii. Elizabeth Grissom was born 1841.
Elizabeth married **Joshua Hale** 15 Feb 1871 in Lauderdale co Ms.
- F iii. Amy Grissom was born 1843.
- F iv. Martha Grissom was born 1843.
- M v. David Grissom³ was born 1853 in Ms.. He died 9 Apr 1911. He was buried in Lauderdale Co. Ms

[It appears that this David remained in or near his father's home his entire life. The 1880 Lauderdale Co Census shows that 30 year old David is head of the household. Three of his sisters are still at home. They are 40 year old Leatha, 29 year old Irene[Rena], and 38 year old Bettie Grissom Hale and her daughter Willie Hale 5 years old

On 7 April 1885 David Jr. married Corrie E Welch. A copy of their marriage license is owned by Cecil Grissom
] When David was 48 years old in 1900, only his wife Corrie and his older sister remained at home as of that date.

David and Corrie Welch Grissom had no issue. David Grissom Jr. died 9 April 1911 and buried in Lauderdale Co.

1. **1830 Troup Co Ga Census**, , 12 Feb 2000. "page 54 Captain Piper's District

Isham Gresham.....over 30 under 40

1 male.....under 5 (this would be John b 1825)

1 maleover 6 under 10 (William b 1820)

2 malesover 10 under 15 (David b 1817 James b 1818)The names do not appear on the census record. The names show how those listed fit the information given in the cesus report." later census dates confirm place of birth.

2. **1860 Lauderdale Co Ms Census**, 24 Sep 2000. Isham Grissom is found living beside David Grissom. Isham is 80 years old. The entry shows the two households as 335/321 and 334/320. David's age est abt 63.

3. **1850 Census Aug 21, 1850 Kemper Co Ms. Census**. ". Households 5,7 and 8 appear to make up a family group.

4. **LAUDERDALE COUNTY MISSISSIPPI MARRIAGE RECORDS**, , 11 Jun 2000, Lauderdale Co Ms Courthouse, Meridian Ms

*[see William Grissom above]

*[See James Grissom above]

**Arena Grissom
Daughter Of
Isham Grissom**

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Gresham 1780]

1. **Arena Grissom** the 5th child and the 1st girl of Elizabeth [Maloney?] and Isham Gresham was born¹ 1822 in Georgia. Arena married **Joshua Hammond Hinton**; son of John Hinton and Sarah Rebecca Hammond, before 1836 in Ga. Joshua was born³ 1 Jan 1810 in Monroe Co. Ga.

Arena and Joshua settled² 1 Feb 1882 in Jones County Mississippi at a place called George's Camp. George's Camp was located in the area known as the Tri-County Area. [Jasper, Jones and Smith Counties Ms.] Hinton Road Jones County is in this area. In the 1850s Arena and Joshua were living in Lauderdale County Mississippi. Amanda Grissom was living in their household. Arena had a sister Amanda born in 1832 in Georgia. Amanda would have been 18, Arena 28 and her husband Joshua Hinton 40.

The nearest neighbors to Arena and Joshua Hinton were James Grissom and Sarah Hinton.

Arena Grissom married Joshua Hinton

James Grissom married Sarah Hinton

Arena and James Grissom were brother and sister; Sarah and Joshua Hinton were brother and sister. Two Hintons married two Grissoms. The first known record of a union between these two families occurred prior to 1638. According to GAWYSI vol. XI #4 page 120 A Mary Gresham married Anthony Hinton.

Arena and **Joshua Hinton** had thirteen children:

- | | | | |
|---|---|-------|---|
| + | F | i. | Catherine D. Hinton was born 1836. |
| | F | ii. | Elizabeth G. Hinton was born 1840 in Ga. |
| | M | iii. | John W. L. Hinton was born 1842 in Ga. |
| + | M | iv. | Richard H. Hinton was born 1842. |
| | F | v. | Sarah R. Hinton was born 1844 in Ga. |
| | M | vi. | Joshua H. Hinton b.1845 in Ms. D.24 Jan 1865. |
| | F | vii. | Adeline Hinton was born 1847 in Lauderdale Co. Ms. |
| | M | viii. | James A. Hinton was born 1850 in Lauderdale Co. Ms. |
| | M | ix. | Charles S. Hinton was born 1853. |
| | M | x. | Ellison Hinton was born in Jones Co Ms. |
| | M | xi. | Benjamin Hinton was born 1857 in Jones Co Ms.
Benjamin married Aletha Mathews ⁴ . |
| | M | xii. | Abner A. Hinton born 1859 in Jones Co Ms. He died 1881. |
| | F | xiii. | Alice L Hinton was born ⁵ 1864 in Jones Co Ms |

Grandchildren of Isham Grissom Next Generation

2. **Catherine D. Hinton** the 1st daughter and the 1st child of **Arena Grissom** and granddaughter of Isham Grissom was born 1836 in Ga.

Catherine married **John Harper** in Ms..

They had the following children:

M i. **George Washington Harper** was born⁶ 4 Jul 1861 in Jones County

George married **Catherine Holifield**.

5. **Richard H. Hinton** the 2nd son and the 4th child of Arena Grissom and the grandson of Isham Grissom was born 1842 in Ga.

Richard married^{7, 8} **Mary Margaret Knight**, daughter of James Knight and Harriet Youngblood, on 1864 in Muskegee Co., Ga. Mary was born⁹ 1843.

They had the following children:

M i. **John Hinton** was born¹⁰ 1865.

M ii. **Richard H. Hinton Jr.** was born¹¹ 1872

[Note] Shirley Hammes, whose partial letters is found on page 148 is a descendant of this Richard Hinton.

F iii. **Isobell Hinton** was born¹² Jul 1874.

F iv. **Alice Hinton** was born¹³ Sep 1877.

M v. **William Milton Hinton** was born¹⁴ Feb 1881.

M vi. **Daniel Hinton** was born¹⁵ May 1883.

Sources

1. 1830 Troup Co Ga. Census. "Page 54 Captain Piper's District
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1 male under 05, 1 male over 06 under 10, 2 males over 10 under 15,.....".
2. Mrs Minnie E Rynehart, Hogan, cc letter to Mrs. Benjamin. F. Hinton, 21 Aug 1932, 18 Jun 2000, Royce Stringer Files, Stringer Ms. Mrs Rynehart Hogan tells us she was born in 1853. She knew many of the people she describes in these letters. ""Joshua Hammond Hinton born 1 Jan 1810 married and settled in Miss, at George's Camp, near Revetta P. O. and 40 miles from Shoboaty, Jones Co., Miss. abt 1883." There is a Josh Hinton Road in Jones Co. It is in or near the former site of George's Camp. There is an extant map of Jones County showing George's Camp.
3. Mrs Minnie E Rynehart, Hogan, cc letter to Mrs. Benjamin. F. Hinton, 16 May 2000.
4. **HINTON BOOK** Vol. II, Vol. 2 3rd Edition pp71074-75, Royce Stringer Files, Stringer Ms. Only the name of spouse is given.
5. **HINTON BOOK** Vol. II, Vol. 2 3rd ed. pp71-74=75, 29 Jun 2000. Gives birth year and Jones County, Ms as place of birth.
6. Mrs Minnie E Rynehart, Hogan, cc letter to Mrs. Benjamin. F. Hinton, 28 Jun 2000. Date given on loose cover sheet attached to the letter author unknown.
7. Mrs Minnie E Rynehart, Hogan, cc letter to Mrs. Benjamin. F. Hinton, 28 Jun 2000. The date of the marriage is not recorded just the Georgia County where the wedding took place.
8. **HINTON BOOK** Vol. II, p75, 29 Jun 2000. The year is found but no month or day.
- 9.- 15 Ibid

NOTE In the Talbert letter [see above "c. correspondence" Mary Talbert writes that she knows that Sarah Ann Grissom and Amanda Grissom are sisters

[D] JOHN GRISSOM

John Grissom
Son of
Isham Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780]

1. **John Grissom** the 5th son and the 6th child of Elizabeth Marrasonne [Betsey Maloney ?] and Isham Grissom was born¹1825 in Ga.

BIOGRAPHY: There is very little known about this John Gresham(Grissom) He is found in the census records living in a Grissom family cluster. He is thought to belong to this family group

. In the Ms. census of 1850, He is found in Lauderdale Co. Ms. He disappears from the scene there after. He is not found in the 1860 Census.

He is found living with someone. The name may be Teepee Carue. It is not easy to read. It is not known if this is a male or a female. It is thought that this could be a Choctaw name. This is former Indian land. This John may have moved on into the Indian Nations. He could have died young. Whatever happened to him has not been discovered at this time [ed]

1. 1850 Lauderdale Co Ms Census, Lauderdale Co Ms Courthouse, Meridian Ms

[E] ADELINE GRISSOM

Adeline Grissom

Daughter of

Isham Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780]

1. **Adeline Grissom** the 2nd daughter and the 7th child of Elizabeth Marrasonne [Betsey Maloney ?] and Isham Grissom was born¹1829 in Ga. She was buried in Summerland Ms. There is no record of Adeline having married. She is found living in Kemper Co in 1850 in a Grissom family cluster. Adeline is 21 years old. Her birth place is given as Georgia [see above **Time Line for Isham Grissom**] When part of the family group moved to the tri-county area of Jasper, Jones, and Smith Counties, Adeline is found with that group. She is found living with different siblings at various times.

- Sources

1. 1830 Troup Co Ga Census. "page 54 Captain Piper's District Isham Gresham Over 30 under 40 1 male under 05, 1 male over 06 under 10, 2 males over 10 under 15,.....etc there is also 1 female...under 5....this is thought to be Adeline Her given age of 21 in 1850 would suggest that she is the female under 5 in this family in the 1830 Census in Ga.."

**MURRAY
FAMILY
CEMETERY**

Section 11 Township 9 North Range 14, St. Stephens Meridian [extreme northwest Jones County Ms. Surveyed June 1999 by Mrs Katherine Grissom ~~Gregg in Grissom~~ and Royce Stringer...relatives of Elizabeth [Grissom] Murray
Directions...From Ms. Hwy 28 at Summerland, Ms., Smith County take Summerland Road just south of the Summerland Baptist Church continuing southward approximately three miles. Upon entering Jones county watch for petroleum pipeline within first mile. Continue onward to second pipeline, about two miles further. The Murray Cemetery is just south of the second pipeline on the left [east] side of the road, in the edge of a small cattle pasture. The small cemetery is well fenced off and the entire plot is covered with concrete. **Thomas J. Murray** 3 Oct 1856 [no death date listed]...**Adeline Easterling** 29 Jun 1851 7 Jul 1927...**Elizabeth Murray** 27 Apr 1830 19 Jun 1915 [w/o John R.]...**J. R. Murray** 1828 1889 [John n R.] [Grissom/Hinton History documents marriage of Elizabeth Grissom to John R, Murray, 30 March, 1853, Lauderdale Co. Ms. Also, that Elizabeth was the daughter of Isham Grissom and his wife Elizabeth Maloney. See additional footnote.]
W. Murray 1853 1880...Grave with out headstone. [Per Gerald Murray, local resident, identification of person not available]

Footnote Family history indicates that Elizabeth Grissom [mother of the above Elizabeth Murray] lived alternately with the Murray's and with another nearby daughter [Arenah or Irene Anna Grissom Hinton] during her last years. The 1860 Jones County Census show Elizabeth Grissom in the J. H. Hinton household. Family is of the opinion Elizabeth Grissom was buried in the Murray Cemetery or the Hinton Cemetery [also in Jones Co. about 2 ½ miles North. [notes of Royce Stringer]

[F] ELIZABETH GRISSOM [Betsy Murray]

Elizabeth Grissom
Daughter of
Isham Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780]

1. **Elizabeth Grissom** "Betsey" the 3rd daughter and the 8th child of Elizabeth Merrasonne [Betsey Maloney ?] and Isham Grissom was born 1831 in Ga. Betsey moved with other members of her family from the Kemper-Lauderdale County area of Mississippi to the Tri-County area of Jasper, Jones and Smith Counties of Mississippi known locally as Grissom's Crossing and later as Summerland. Descendants of Betsey Grissom live in the area today.



"Aunt Betsey"

Elizabeth married **John R. Murray** 30 Mar 1853 in Ms..

They had the following children:

- M i. **William Washington Murray** was born 25 Feb 1854 in Summerland, Smith Co Ms.. He died 28 Sep. 1882.
- M ii. **Thomas Jefferson Murray** was born 3 Oct 1856 in Summerland, Smith Co Ms.. He died 7 Mar 1947 in Summerland, Smith Co. Ms..
- + F iii. **Martha Ann Murray** was born 8 Apr. 1859. She died 25 Mar 1961.
- F iv. **Sarah Alma Murray** was born 7 May 1861 in Summerland, Smith Co. Ms..
- + M v. **John Samuel Murray** was born 27 Jun. 1864. He died 2 Oct. 1932.
- 7 F vi. **Mary Elizabeth Murray** was born 25 Oct 1866 in Summerland, Smith Co Ms.. She died 31 Mar 1936 in Jones Co Ms. She was buried in Union Line Cemetery Jones Co. Ms..
- F vii. **Jane Elizabeth Murray** was born 27 Sep 1868 in Summerland, Smith Co Ms..
- F viii. **Margaret Drizila Murray** was born 23 Feb 1873 in Summerland, Smith Co. Ms..

Grandchildren of Betsey Grissom

4. **Martha Ann Murray** the 1st daughter and the 3rd child of Elizabeth Grissom and the granddaughter of Isham Grissom was born²⁸ Apr 1859 in Summerland, Smith Co Ms.. She died 25 Mar 1961 in Summerland, Smith Co Ms..

Martha married **Moses Holifield**³ Mose³.

They had the following children:

- M i. **Forrest Holifield**. Was the 1st son and only known child of Martha Ann Murray, grandson of Betsey Grissom and great grandson of Isham Grissom

Forrest married **Linnie Moore**⁴. Linnie was born 1900.

They had the following children:

- F i. **Annie Sue Holifield**⁵.
F ii. **Daisy Deanne Holifield**⁶.
F iii. **Linnie Ruth Holifield**⁷.

- 6.. **John Samuel Murray** the 3rd son and the 5th child of Elizabeth Grissom and the grandson of Isham Grissom was born 27 Jun 1864 in Summerland, Smith Co Ms.. He died 2 Oct 1932 in Jones Co Ms. John married **Carmella Jane Hill**¹⁰ Jan 1889 in Soso, Ms. Carmella was born 2 Feb 1871 in Soso, Ms.

John and Carmella had the following children:

- F i. **Mary Magnola Murray**⁴ was born 11 Oct 1890. She died 16 Apr 1945. She was buried in Summerland Smith Co. Ms..
Mary married **E. L Holifield**⁵. E. L Holifield was born 22 May 1881. He died 4 Aug 1967. He was buried in Summerland Smith Co. Ms..
- M ii. **George W. Murray**⁶ was born 13 May 1892. He died 12 Jan 1971. He was buried in Summerland Smith Co. Ms..
George married **Elena Elnola Holifield**¹² Jan 1920 in Laurel, Ms.. Elena was born 8 Apr 1897.
- M iii. **Henry Clay Murray**⁷ was born 28 Feb 1895. He died 9 Mar 1969. He was buried in Summerland Smith Co. Ms..
Henry married⁹ **Eva Erma Gambrell**⁸ 6 Jan 1921 in Ellisville, Ms.. Eva was born 1 Jan 1899. She died 10 Mar 1974. She was buried in Summerland Smith Co. Ms..
- M iv. **John Osee Murray**¹⁰ was born 24 Dec 1895. He died 23 Aug 1947. He was buried in Vicksburg, Ms..
John married **Dorothy Louise Garnett**¹¹. Dorothy was born 14 Jul 1914.
- F v. **Onie Jane Murray**¹² was born 24 Dec 1898. She died 24 Nov 1899. She was buried in Big Creek Jones Co. Ms..
- M vi. **Dewey Harrelson Murray**¹³ was born 17 Jan 1901. He died 30 Oct 1964. He was buried in Summerland Smith Co. Ms..
Dewey married **Lou Ella Jones**¹⁴. Lou was born 19 May 1902. She died 5 Aug 1963.
- F vii. **Gladys Murray**¹⁵ was born 7 Mar 1905.

Gladys married¹⁷**Graham Lee Hales**¹⁶26 Dec 1929 in Home Place. Graham was born 8 Aug 1901. He died 17 Nov 1974. He was buried in Jackson, Ms..

M viii. **James Ernest Murray**¹⁸was born 15 Aug 1910. He died 12 Aug 1921. He was buried in Summerland Smith Co. Ms..

F ii. **Daisy Deanne Holifield**²².

F iii. **Linnie Ruth Holifield**²³.

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.....". two females are shown between the ages of 2 and 5. These two should be Adeline and Elizabeth. They appear by name on the Kemper Co. Ms. census of 1850 in Household #8.



2. **LAUREL-LEADER CALL,**

Laurel Ms daily new paper, Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers, Taylorsville Ms. new article give birth date. Photo accompanied story.

3. Katherine Gregg[[oral history], 26 Sep 2000, Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers, Taylorsville Ms. Katherine Gregg recalls the name of Martha Ann' spouse. His nickname may have been Mose.

4.- 16 unknown, FAMILY GROUP SHEET- MURRAY, 27 Sep 2000, Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers, Taylorsville Ms.

17. GAWYSI Vol 11 #3 July 1996, Cecil Grissom Private Library, Stringer, Ms.

18. unknown, FAMILY GROUP SHEET- MURRAY, 27 Sep 2000.

19. LAUREL-LEADER CALL. lists son.

20. LAUREL-LEADER CALL. Linnie is listed.

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[G] AMANDA GRISSOM [Coats]

Amanda Grissom

Daughter of

Isham Grissom

[David Gresham 1755, Isham Grissom 1780]

1. **Amanda Grissom**¹ the 4th daughter and the 9th child of Elizabeth Merrasonne [Betsey Maloney?] and Isham Grissom was born 1832 in Ga.

In 1850 Amanda was living in the home of her sister Arena Grissom Hinton. Amanda would have been 18 at that time. There were at least seven small children in the Hinton household and according to birth records there would be another Hinton baby born that year. At this time, the oldest Hinton child was Catherine Hinton who was 14. Some researcher give Arena Grissom's name as Irene Anna. If that is the true spelling of her name, it may indicate that Amanda Grissom named her 1st child after her sister, Irene Anna . . . Amanda remained in the Kemper-Lauderdale area. It is worth noting that Amanda named her son, Isom, another spelling of Isham. It is assumed that Isom Coats was named after his grandfather, Isham Grissom.

Amanda married **G. W. Coats** 30 May 1866 in Lauderdale Co. Ms.

They had the following children:

F i. **Annie Coats**. Born about 1867

Annie married **A Torrence**.

+ F ii. **Amanda Jane Coats**. Born about 1870

M iii. **Isom Coats**. Born about 1872

[Note] Amanda Grissom named her only son after her father Isham Grissom

F iv. **Aletha Coats**. Born about 1875

Grand children of Amanda Grissom

3. **Amanda Jane Coats** the 2nd daughter and the 2nd child of Amanda Grissom and G. W. Coats and the granddaughter of Isham Grissom married a **Rayborn**. About 1890

They had the following children:

M i. **Cody Rayborn**

[Note] In a telephone conversation 1986 Cody Rayborn stated that his great grand parents were Amanda Grissom married to G. W. Coats. He stated that he knew John and Elizabeth were his grand parents. He had never heard of Isham. [Cody mixed his generations Amanda Grissom was his grandmother and John and Elizabeth Grissom were his great grandparents. It is Cody's sister, below, who tells us the John Grissom is actually Isham. It is believed by most researchers of this branch of the Grissom family that both the name John and the name Isham applies to their progenitor in this state. Because earliest records and final records list this forefather as Isham the editor of this document is using "Isham" throughout. [Ed.]

F ii. **Mary S. Rayborn**, who married **Mason Talbert**

[Note] On 3 Nov 1986 Mary Talbert wrote a letter to Katherine Gregg and her brothers [see above [C] Correspondence of Mary Talbert] It is noted here that Mary Talbert is the granddaughter of Isham Gresham. Katherine Gregg relates that it was this information that confirmed that Isham Gresham was their ancestor.

M iii. **Isom Rayborn**

Source

Mary Talbert, TALBERT LETTER TO KATHERINE GREGG, private letter, Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers, Taylorsville Ms.

[H] SARAH GRISSOM

Sarah Gresham
Daughter of
Isham Grissom

1. **Sarah Grissom** the 5th daughter and the 10th child of Isham Grissom and Elizabeth Merrasonne [Maloney?] was born 1837 in Ga. She was buried in Bailey Ms. The family of Sarah Grissom has not been researched.

Sarah married **John R. Brown** 18 Aug 1854 in Lauderdale Co. Ms..

[I] ELLISON GRISSOM

Ellison Grissom
Son of
Isham Grissom

1. **Ellison Grissom** ¹ the 6th son and the 11th child of Isham Grissom and Elizabeth Merrasonne [Maloney?] was born 1842. He is found on the 1850 Census roll. He then disappears from the records.

Descendants of Isham Grissom

16 Aug 2001 Relationship Codes: {+} Multiple Parents

Page 1

1. Isham Grissom (b.1780-South Carolina;d.Aft 1860-Lauderdale Co. Ms.)

sp: Elizabeth Merrasone (maloney?) (b.>1795-Ga.;m.4 Jul 1816;d.>1860-Smith Co Ms.)

2. Robert Grissom (b.>1812)

sp: Elizabeth (b.1823-Alabama;m.prior to 1838)

- 3. Mary Grissom (b.1842)
- 3. Martha Grissom (b.1843)
- 3. Elizabeth Grissom (b.1844)
- 3. Spartan Grissom (b.1844)
- 3. Minerva Grissom (b.1848)

2. David Grissom (b.1817-Jasper co Ga.;d.Bef 1880)

sp: Minnie (d.Bef 1870)

- 3. Aletha Grissom (b.1838)
- 3. Elizabeth Grissom (b.1841)
 - sp: Joshua Hale (m.15 Feb 1871)
- 3. Amy Grissom (b.1843)
- 3. Martha Grissom (b.1843)
- 3. David Grissom (b.1853-Ms.;d.9 Apr 1911)
 - sp: Carrie Welch (m.7 Apr 1885)

2. James Grissom (b.Abt 1818-Ga;d.Aft 1880-Jasper Co Ms.)

sp: Sarah Ann Hinton (b.1817-S. Carolina;m.>1837)

- 3. Sarah Ann Grissom (b.1837-Ga)
- 3. David Grissom (b.1839-Ga)
- 3. George Washington Grissom (b.1840-Ga.;d.17 Aug 1920-Stringer,Ms)
 - sp: Avilla Jane Etheridge (b.1854-LC,Ms;m.7 Jan 1870;d.Jun 1913-Stringer,Ms)

4. Mary Alice Grissom (b.1873-Jasper Co Ms.)

sp: Andrew Parrish

- 5. Albert Parrish

sp: Giles Lofton

- 5. Rosie Lofton Hill
- 5. Jack Lofton
- 5. Chester Lofton

4. Tyner Grissom (b.29 Nov 1875-Ms;d.22 Nov 1934-Stringer Jasper co Ms.)

sp: Belton Costello Musgrove (b.15 Feb 1869;d.31 Aug 1948)

- 5. Chester Musgrove (b.9 Apr 1892-Stringer Jasper co Ms.;d.24 Feb 1964)
- 5. Lonie Musgrove (b.14 May 1894-Stringer Jasper co Ms.;d.14 Dec 1974)
 - sp: Albert Williams (b.20 Mar 1890;d.8 May 1938)
- 5. Fannie Musgrove (b.26 Sep 1895-Stringer Jasper co Ms.;d.16 Feb 1948)
- 5. Elsie Musgrove (b.24 Jan 1895-Stringer Jasper co Ms.)
 - sp: Claborne Atkins

Descendants of Isham Grissom

- 5. Annie Musgrove (b.14 Jul 1900-Stringer Jasper co Ms.;d.18 Feb 1985)
 sp: Emmett King (b.24 Jun 1897;d.8 Jan 1986)
- 5. Mildred Musgrove (b.18 Aug 1904-Stringer Jasper co Ms.)
 sp: Oscar Williams (b.9 Aug 1899;d.17 Sep 1972)
- 5. Selice Musgrove (b.12 Sep 1906-Stringer Jasper co Ms.)
 sp: Delbert Valentine
- 5. Lester Musgrove (b.22 Feb 1909-Stringer Jasper co Ms.)
- 5. Lou Alice Musgrove (b.31 Aug 1911-Stringer Jasper co Ms.;d.2 Aug 1984)
 sp: Monroe J. Broadway (b.16 Jan 1909;d.5 Jan 1947)
 - 6. Buddy Broadway
 sp: Peggy
 - 6. Jerry Broadway
 - 6. Linda Broadway
 - 6. Jamye Broadway
- 5. Gladys Musgrove (b.8 Oct 1913-Stringer Jasper co Ms.;d.11 Feb 1992)
 sp: Leland King (b.23 Apr 1909;d.22 Jan 1990)
- 5. Jewel Hilda Musgrove (b.12 Mar 1920-Stringer Jasper co Ms.)
- 5. Flossy Belton Musgrove (b.3 Dec 1922-Stringer Jasper co Ms.)
 sp: James Price (d.Bef 1945)
- 5. Vallie Musgrove (b.1 Jun 1902-Stringer Jasper co Ms.;d.6 Dec 1980)
 sp: Archie Smith (b.23 Nov 1898;d.18 Jan 1992)
- 4. William James Grissom (b.25 Aug 1880-Ms;d.22 Feb 1960-Laurel Ms)
 sp: Ebbie Jones (b.14 Jun 1880-Ms.;m.18 Feb 1900;d.7 Jan 1964-Bay Springs,JC,Ms.)
 - 5. Myrtle Grissom (b.27 Dec 1902-Stringer Ms;d.23 May 1992)
 sp: George Woodrow Morris (m.Ab 1926(Div))
 - 6. Woodrow Morris (b.2 Feb 1927-Ms.)
 sp: Frank Marion Ishee (b.19 Aug 1888;m.27 Dec 1933;d.21 Apr 1981)
 - 6. Frances Marie Ishee (b.31 Oct 1934)
 sp: Bernard Francis Duffy Jr. (b.21 Jun 1930-unknown;m.19 Jun 1959)
 - 7. Debra Duffy (b.8 Nov 1960-){+Dade County Fla.)
 sp: James Michael Buckhaults (b.9 Aug 1957-unknown;m.19 Jun 1993)
 - 7. Jan Duffy (b.8 Nov 1960-){+Dade County Fla.)
 sp: Michael Bryant Ruffin (b.8 Nov 1960;m.1 Mar 1986)
 - 8. William Corey Ruffin (b.26 Apr 1988-Forrest County,Mississippi)
 - 7. Thomas Patrick Duffy (b.14 Jan 1965-){+Jones County,Ms.)
 sp: Remee Peak (b.21 May 1970-unknown;m.27 Aug 1993)
 - 8. Katelyn Cierra Duffy (b.18 Feb 1994-Laurel,Ms.)
 - 8. Taylor Ashton Duffy (b.6 May 1997-Jones County,Ms.)
- 5. Candice Grissom (b.16 Jan 1905-Stringer Ms;d.6 Jan 1992-Laurel Ms)

Descendants of Isham Grissom

- 8. Taylor Ashton Duffy (b.6 May 1997-Jones County,Ms.)
 - 5. Candice Grissom (b.16 Jan 1905-Stringer Ms;d.6 Jan 1992-Laurel Ms)
 - sp: Claude Knight (b.11 Jan 1895-Ms.;m.3 Sep 1921;d.23 Aug 1978-Laurel Ms)
 - 6. Hassel Knight (b.Mar 1925)
 - 6. Juanita Knight (b.1 May 1927-Stringer Ms;d.15 Jul 1940-Stringer Ms)
 - 6. Naomi Knight (b.13 Feb 1930;d.30 Aug 1995)
 - sp: Bailey
 - 7. Jeffery Bailey
 - sp: UNKNOWN
 - 8. Amanda Bailey
 - 8. Jeffery Bailey jr.
5. Alice Grissom (b.1908-Stringer Ms)
 - sp: Ollie J. Sumrall (b.14 Feb 1895-Ms.;m.28 Sep 1929;d.23 Jul 1944-Stringer Ms)
 - 6. Mary Sumrall Roland (b.28 Sep 1930-Stringer Ms;d.19 Sep 1998-Memphis,Tenn)
 - sp: Rufus Adel Roland (b.15 Dec 1922;m.20 Sep 1956)
 - 7. William Stacy Roland (b.24 Dec 1959)
 - 7. Glen Mark Roland (b.27 Jun 1961-Dyersburg,Tenn)
 - sp: UNKNOWN
 - 8. Marco Antonio Roland (b.13 Aug 1987-Mexico City Mex.)
 - 8. David Charles Roland (b.28 Dec 1989-Gainesville FL.)
 - sp: UNKNOWN
 - 7. Rufus Gregory Roland (b.15 Jul 1966)
 - 7. Bryan Keith Roland (b.10 Oct 1967)
 - 6. Oliver Glenn Sumrall (b.24 Sep 1934-Stringer Ms;d.12 Aug 1981-Stringer Ms)
 - 6. Billy Joe Sumrall (b.9 Jul 1937-Stringer Ms;d.18 Dec 1988-Stringer Ms)
 - sp: Martha Helen English (b.12 Aug 1942-Ms.;m.11 Dec 1965)
 - 7. Billy Joe Sumrall Jr (b.1966)
 - 7. Kimberly Michele Sumrall (b.1969-Ms.)
 - 7. Chad D Wayne Sumrall (b.1976)
 - 6. Dorothy Jean Sumrall Bickerstaff (b.1941-Stringer Ms)
 - sp: James Neal Bickerstaff (b.11 Nov 1939;m.30 Dec 1965;d.14 Dec 1998)
 - 7. Leigh Ann Bickerstaff (b.29 May 1969-Memphis Tenn)
 - 7. Laura Ann Bickerstaff (b.14 Oct 1977)
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 - sp: Hassel Hinton (b.2 Nov 1908-Ms.;m.1949;d.14 Mar 1978)
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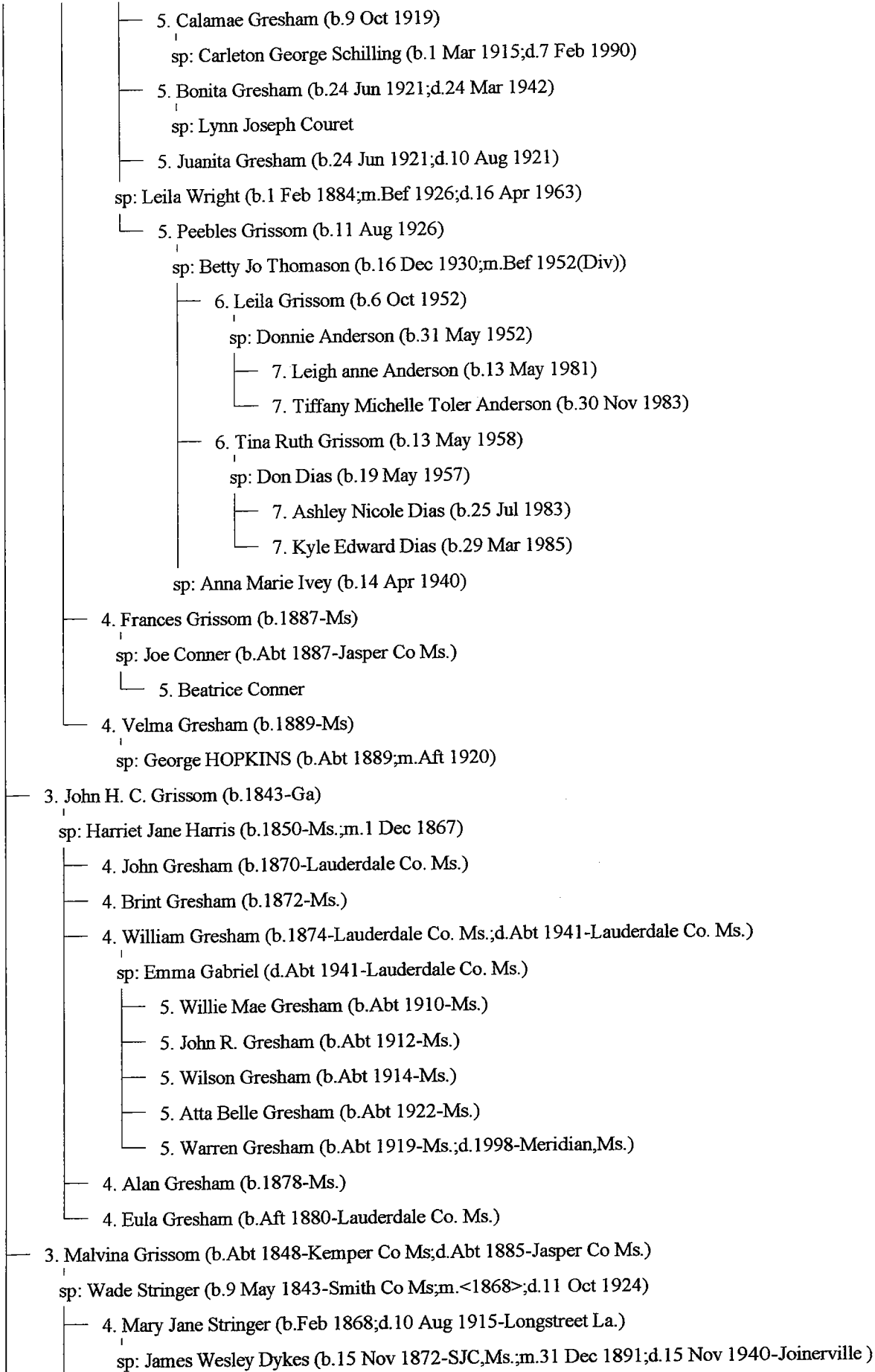
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      |   |   |— 6. Mary Elizabeth Gresham Anderson (b.8 Sep 1947)
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      |   |   |   |— 7. Mary Kelly Anderson (b.8 Jul 1969)
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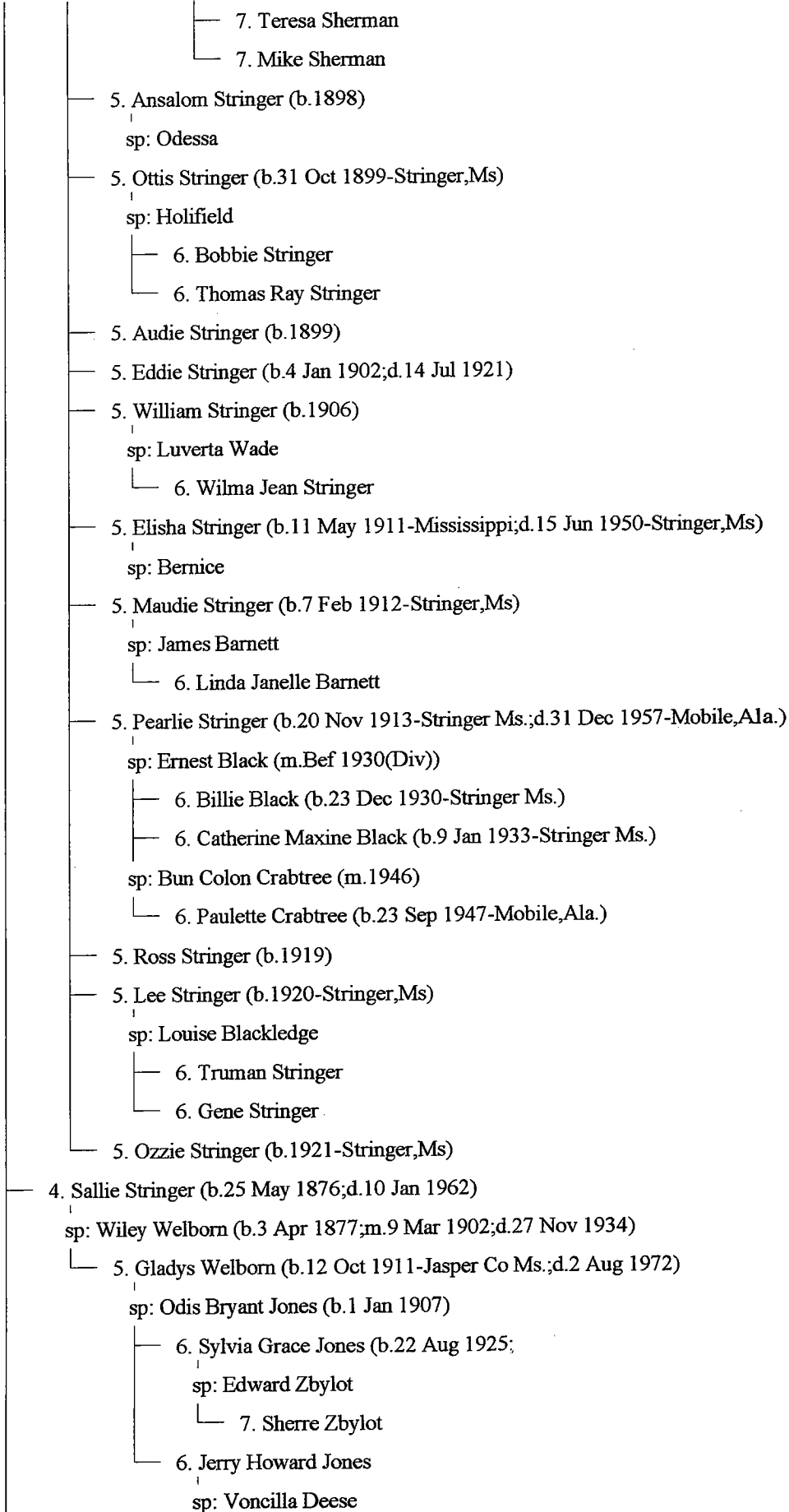
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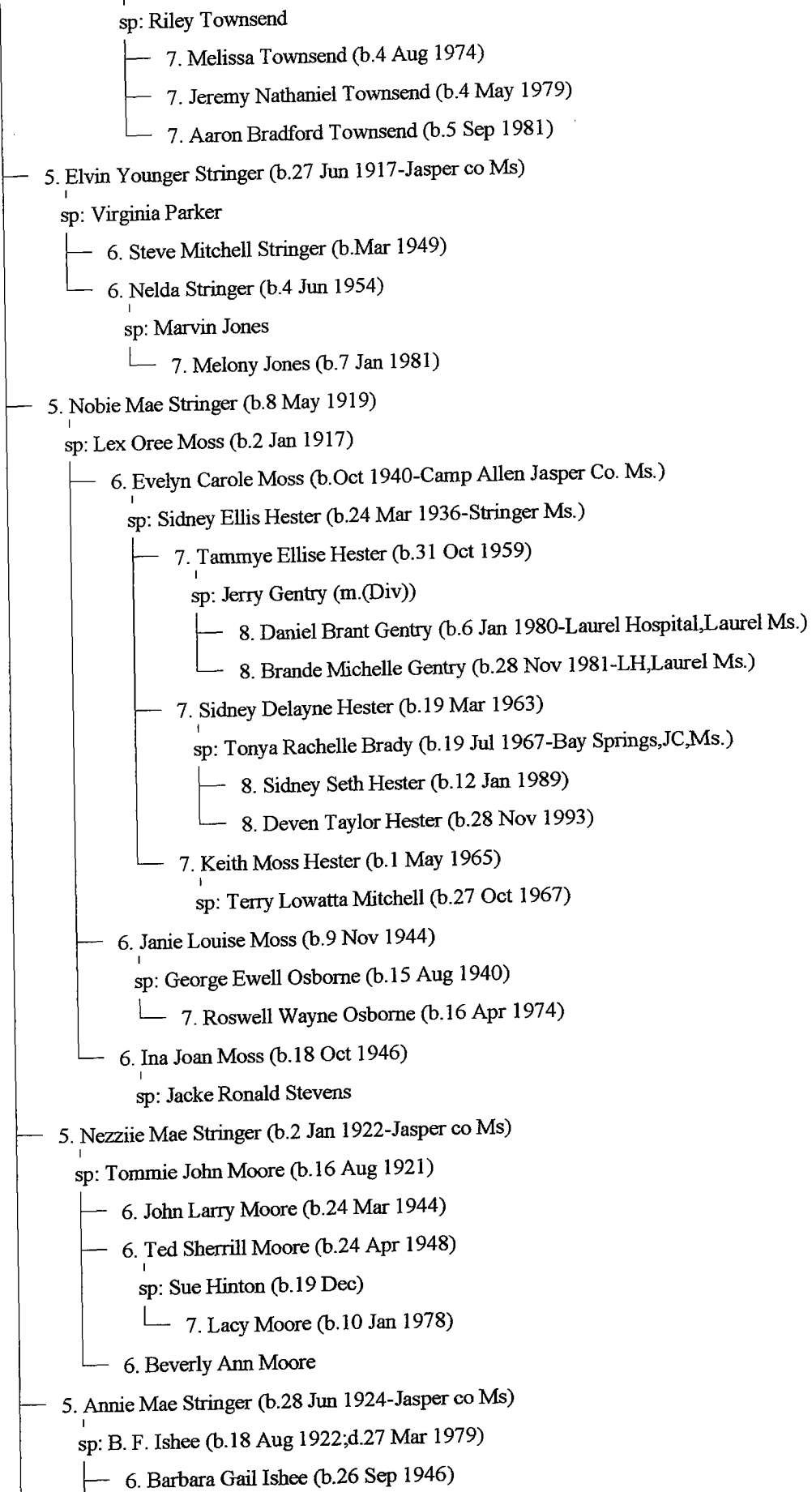


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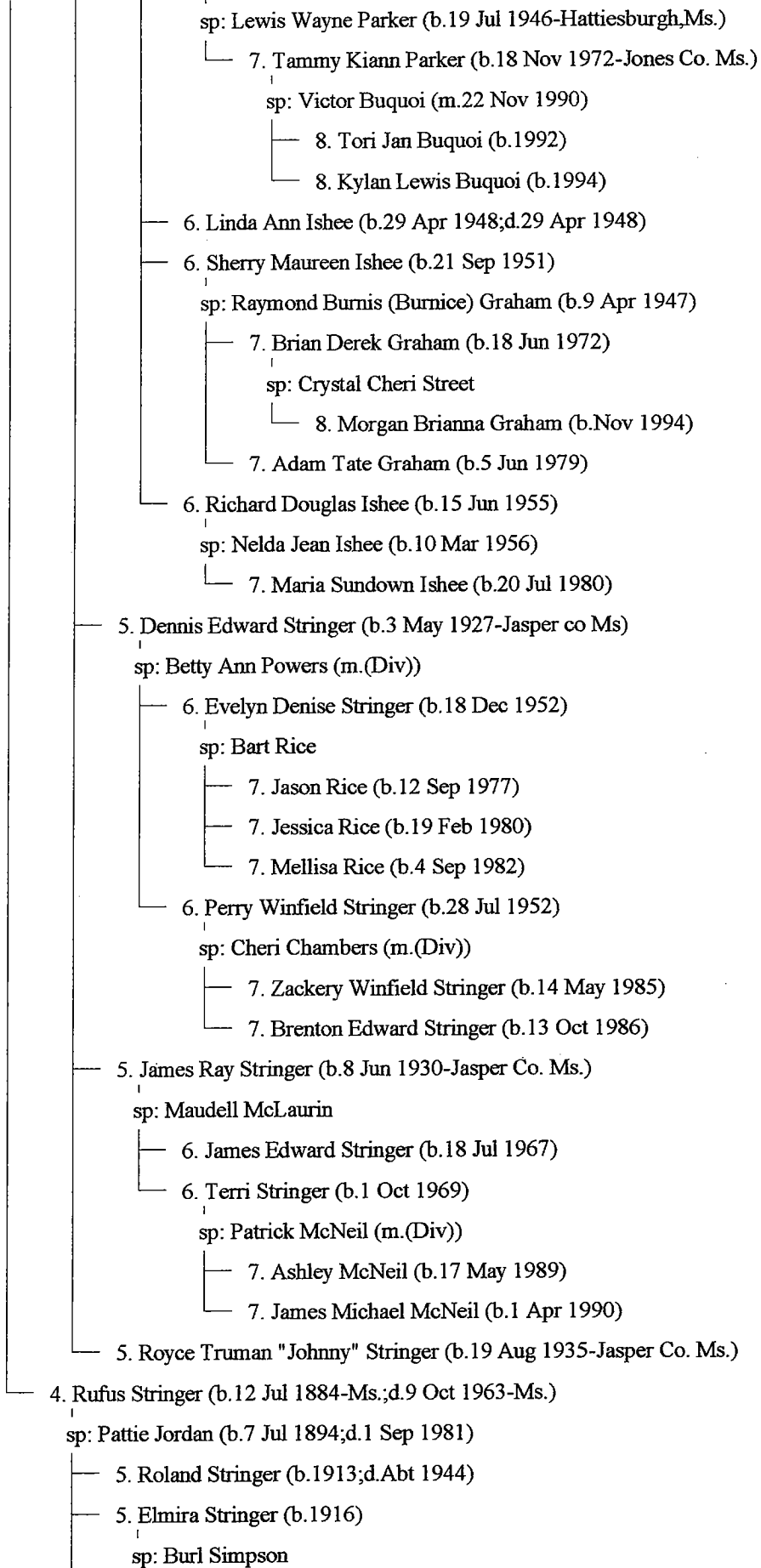
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 - 5. Lillie Helen Stringer (b.6 Apr 1920)
 - 5. Infant Stringer (b.25 Oct 1922;d.25 Oct 1922)
 - 5. Delcie Stringer (b.19 Nov 1923)
- 4. William Edward Stringer (b.1883-Ms.;d.3 Jul 1955-Jasper Co Ms.)
 - sp: Mary Leatha Mauldin (b.3 Oct 1893-Jasper co Ms;m.7 Nov 1911;d.20 Aug 1980)
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 - sp: Nettie Ishee (m.Bef 1937;d.1996)
 - 6. Robert Dale Stringer (b.Jan 1937)
 - 6. Marcia Gay Stringer (b.11 Jun 1951;d.11 Jun 1951)
 - 5. Marvin Vester Stringer (b.29 Sep 1914-Jasper co Ms)
 - sp: Pauline Holifield (m.8 Feb 1945)
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 - sp: Cristol Shea Cochran
 - 8. Derek Myrick
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 - sp: Howard T. Jordan
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 - 7. Andrea Renee Stringer (b.7 May 1974)
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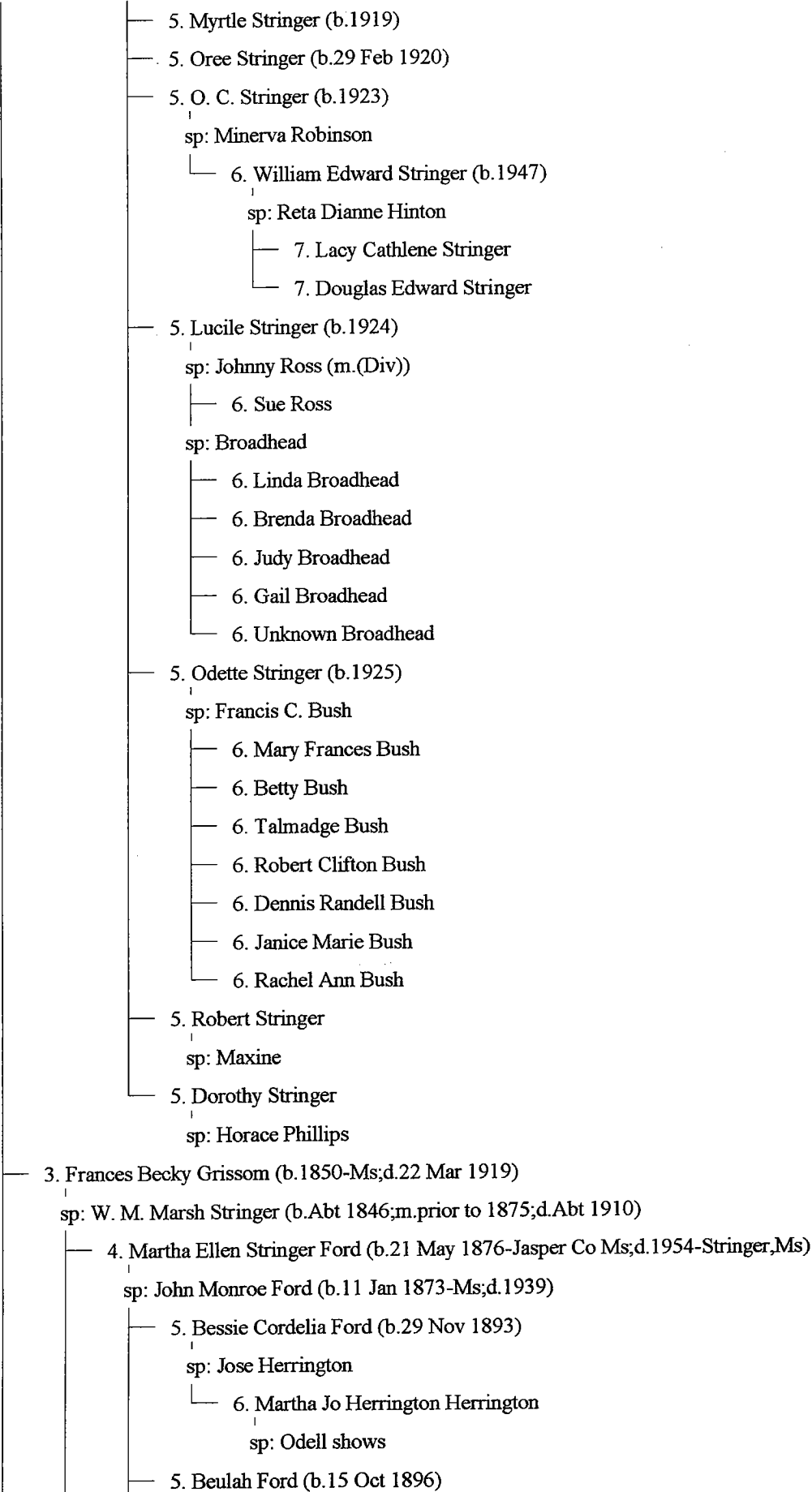
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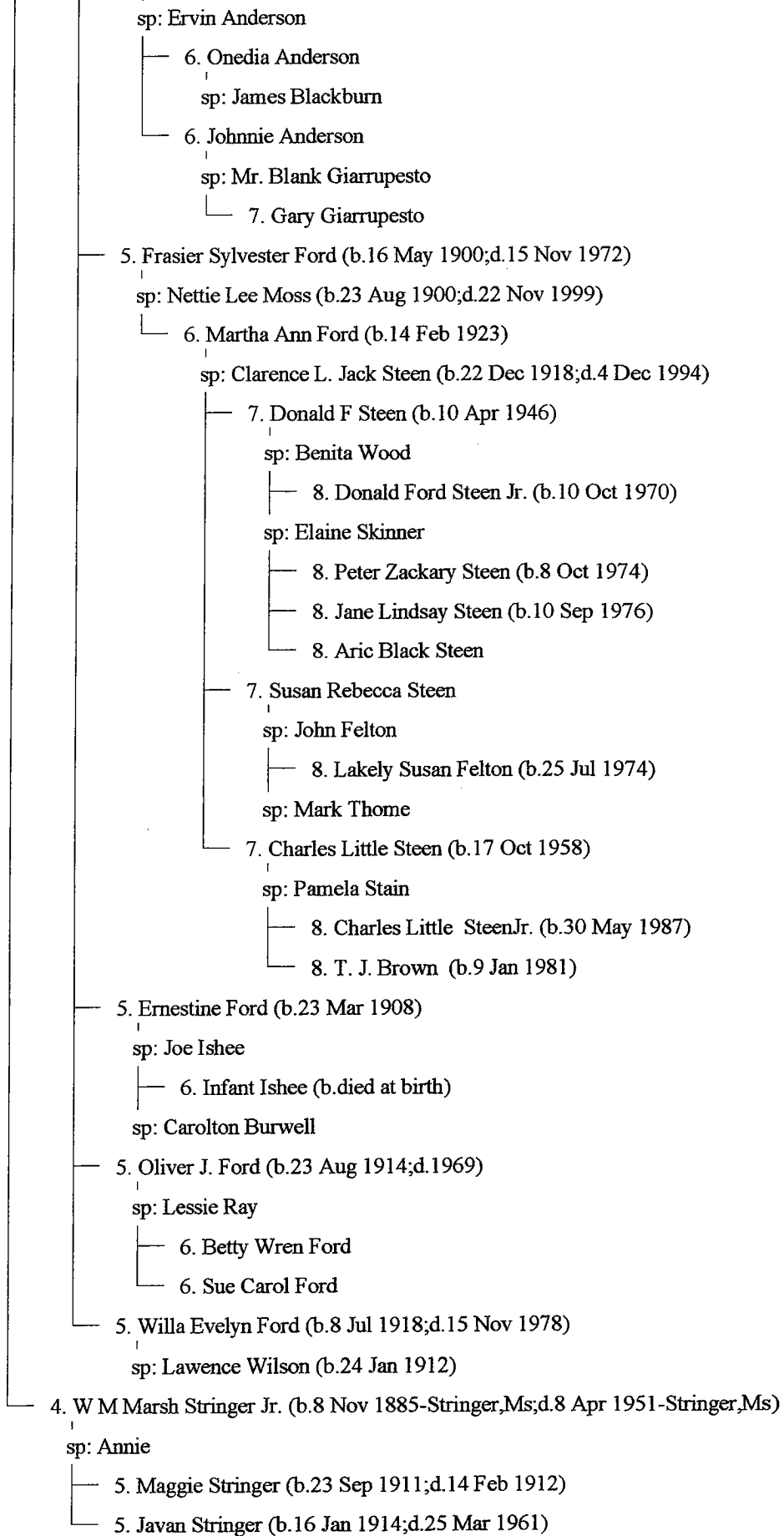
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 - sp: Abagale "Abbie" Crosby Grissom (m.Abt 1895;d.24 Jul 1903)
 - 4. Deavors (D. C.) Grissom (b.2 Mar 1896-Taylorsville Ms;d.1995-Taylorsville,Ms.)
 - 4. Ophia Grissom (b.14 Feb 1902-Taylorsville Ms)
 - sp: L. L. Welch

- 3. Joshua Grissom (b.1856-Ms;d.Abt 1923 [1932]-Stringer,Ms.)
 - sp: Alice Martin
 - sp: Betty Knight (d.30 Jul 1945)
 - 4. James Albert Gresham (b.17 Mar 1889-Stringer,Jasper Co. Ms.;d.13 Jul 1962)
 - 4. John Gresham (b.Abt 1890-Stringer,Ms.;d.1952)

- 3. Mary J. Grissom (b.1859-Jones Co. Ms.;d.Abt 1918-Smith County,Ms.)
 - sp: Wyatt Knight (b.1857;d.Abt 1944)
 - 4. Alice Knight (b.Abt 1880)
 - sp: John Nobles
 - 4. Robert D. Knight (b.Abt 1885)
 - 4. Doni Knight (b.Abt 1887)
 - sp: P. G.. Hegwood
 - 4. Onia Knight (b.Abt 1891)
 - sp: Mike Perrino
 - 4. John Knight (b.Abt 1895)
 - 4. E. A. Knight (b.Abt 1897)
 - 4. Hattie Knight (b.Abt 1898)
 - sp: Eddie Renfoe

- 3. Emily Grissom (b.1860-Ms;d.Abt 1939-Jones Co. Ms.)
 - sp: Steve Hilbun (b.Abt 1858)
 - 4. Dock Franklin Hilbun (b.1884)
 - 4. Charles W. Hilbun (b.18 May 1886;d.Jan 1961)
 - sp: UNKNOWN
 - 4. Vema Hilbun (b.1889)
 - 4. Persadie Hilbun (b.Abt 1892)
 - 4. Bruce Hilbun (b.1894)
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 - 4. William H. Hilbun (b.Abt 1899)
 - 4. Eretta Hilbun (b.Abt 1906)
 - 4. Velma Hilbun (b.1908;d.1940)
 - sp: R. W. Russell

- 2. William Grissom (b.7 Dec 1819-Ga;d.16 May 1886-Summerland Smith Co. Ms.)
 - sp: Nancy E. Tubbs (b.1825-Perry Co. Ala.;m.18 Aug 1846)
 - 3. John Grissom (b.1849-Lauderdale Co Ms)

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3. Wade Monroe Grissom (b.10 Sep 1854-Jasper Co Ms.;d.1924-Smth Co. Ms)

sp: Ruth Catherine Stringer (b.Jan 1859-Ms.;m.Bef 1879)

4. Flora Idella Grissom (b.13 Sep 1879-Summerland Smith Co Ms)

sp: Luther Reed Gilmore (m.6 Jan 1893)

5. Virginia Gilmore (b.>1895)

5. James Oden Gilmore (b.Ab 1897)

5. Ruth Evans Gilmore (b.Ab 1899)

5. Eudorah Gaynell Gilmore (b.Ab 1901)

sp: Stallworth

5. Lutheree Gilmore (b.Ab 1903)

4. Lula C Grissom (b.14 Aug 1881)

sp: William Andrew Williams (m.14 Feb 1897)

5. Nancy Williams (b.>1897-Ms.)

5. Vida Williams (b.Ab 1899-Ms.)

5. Veranis Christine Williams (b.Ab 1905-Ms.)

5. Ruth Williams (b.Ab 1903-Ms.)

5. William Williams jr (b.Ab 1907)

5. Nolan Williams (b.Ab 1909-Ms.)

5. Volton Williams (b.Ab 1911-Ms.)

5. Lula Clarico Williams (b.Ab 1913-Ms.)

5. Joseph V. Williams (b.Ab 1915)

4. William Monroe Grissom (b.27 May 1884-S,Smith Co. Ms.;d.2 Feb 1980-LGH,Laurel,Ms.)

sp: Cordie Belle Rogers (b.3 May 1896-Shongelo,Ms.;m.18 Aug 1919;d.1982)

5. Perrin Holmes Grissom (b.5 Sep 1919-Summerland Smith Co Ms)

sp: Lela Rose Selby (m.10 Aug 1941)

6. Virginia Ann Grissom (b.27 Aug 1946)

sp: Charles MacDowell Gordon (m.5 Dec 1970)

7. Amand Lucille Gordon (b.14 Jun 1972)

6. Linda Jean Grissom (b.9 Jun 1948)

sp: John Walton Lovitt (m.28 Sep 1985)

7. Todd Lovitt

7. Brent Lovitt

6. Perrin Holmes Grissom Jr. (b.15 Nov 1951)

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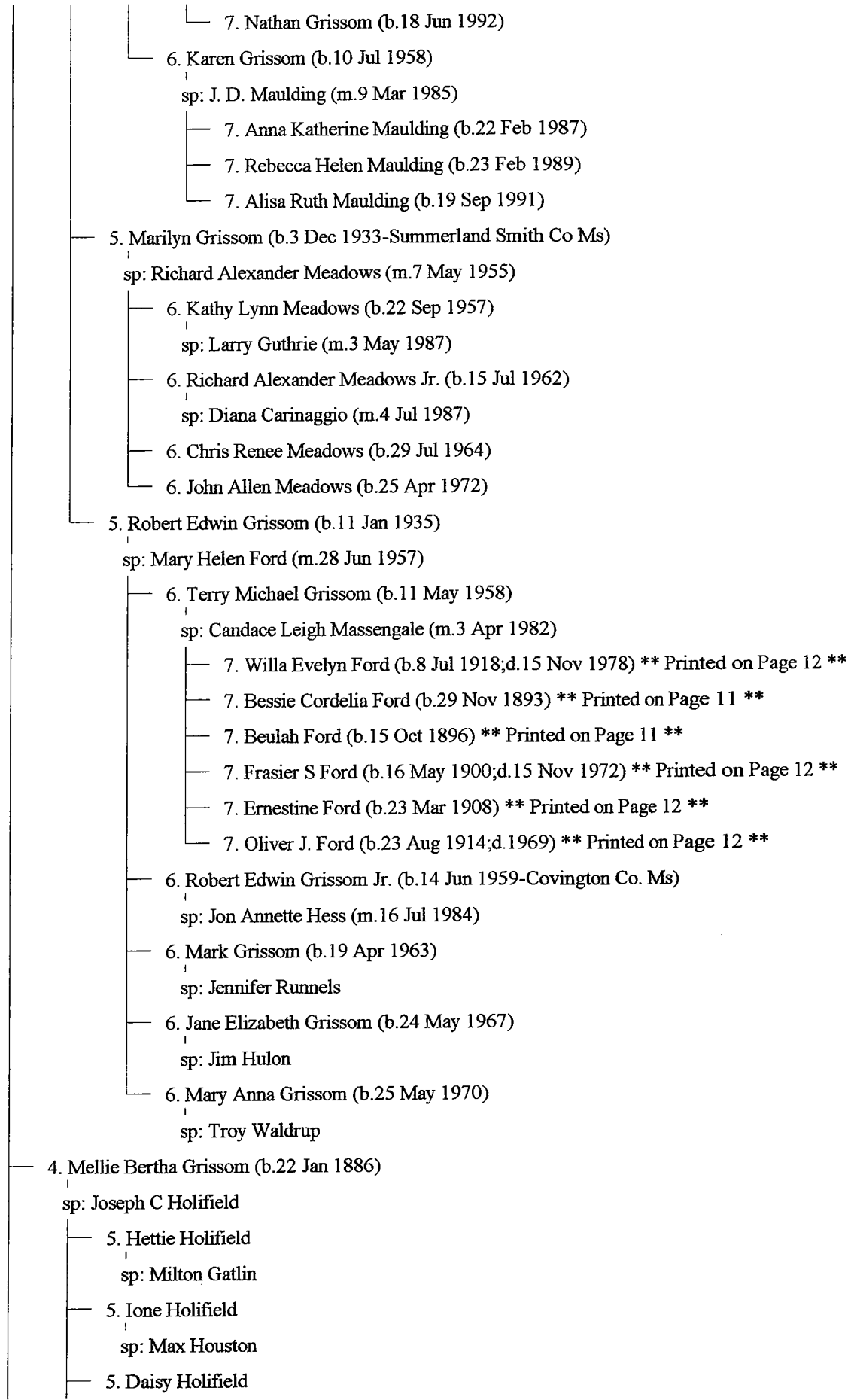
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- sp: Neal Sexton
 - 5. J. C. Holifield
 - sp: Willie Mae Johnson
 - 5. Robert Holifield
 - sp: Jean Charbonneau
 - 5. Wadie Monroe Holifield
 - sp: Grace
 - 5. Dorothy Marie Holifield
 - sp: Rip Cirlot
 - 5. M. B. Holifield
 - 4. Wade Andrew Grissom (b.8 Dec 1887)
 - sp: Eunice
 - 5. Wade Grissom Jr.
 - 4. Mary Docia Grissom (b.11 Aug 1890)
 - sp: Allen Braswell
 - 4. Donia Grissom (b.4 Feb 1892)
 - sp: Arthur M Edwards (m.11 Dec 1907)
 - 5. Terrill Edwards
 - 5. Bernice Edwards
 - 5. Ulmer Edwards
 - 5. Chrystel Edwards
 - 5. Arthur Edwards Jr.
 - 4. Ruth Grissom (b.1894)
 - sp: Charon Clark
 - 4. Robert Grissom (b.1896)
 - sp: Eva Downs
 - 5. Sybil Grissom
 - 5. Robert J. Grissom
 - 4. Everette Grissom (b.15 Jul 1898-Summerland Smith Co. Ms.)
 - sp: Flaudia Etheridge
- 3. Benjamin C. Grissom (b.1856)
 - sp: Mary J. Duckworth Grissom (m.4 Dec 1877)
 - 4. Emma Grissom Stringer (b.Ab. 1877-Ms.)
 - sp: Wiley Stringer (b.Ab. 1870-Ms.)
 - 5. Annie Bernette Stringer (b.1898-Ms.)
 - 5. Ottis Troy Stringer (b.31 Oct 1899-Ms.)
 - 5. Addie Leathe Stringer (b.1901)
 - 5. Jessie Stringer (b.19 Apr 1903-Ms.)
 - 5. Mary Ethel Stringer (b.1904-Ms.)

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- 5. George Wasington Stringer (b.1906-Ms.)
- 5. Wiley Royce Stringer (b.31 Oct 1909-Ms.)
- 5. Virgie Dessie Stringer (b.1912-Ms.)
- 5. Veston Monroe Stringer (b.28 Aug 1915-Ms.)
- 5. Velton Stringer (b.1919)
- 4. Frances Rosetta Grissom (b.19 Oct 1878-Ms.)
- 4. Joseph B Grissom (b.May 1886-Ms.)
- 4. Nancy Jane Grissom (b.14 Apr 1883-Smith County Ms.;d.9 Dec 1910)
 - sp: John Lully Williams (b.7 May 1878-Marengo Co. Ala.;m.4 Dec 1897;d.30 Nov 1922-)
 - 5. Oma Florence Williams (b.31 Oct 1898)
 - sp: Willie Lee Brooks
 - 5. Zino Harrison Williams (b.1900;d.1919)
 - 5. Orna May Williams (b.1902)
 - 5. Ada Marie Williams (b.10 Jun 1904-Jones Co. Ms.)
 - sp: Herbert Logan Spencer (m.31 Oct 1936)
 - 5. Bertie Williams (b.30 Mar 1906-Smith Co. Ms.)
 - sp: Robert Downing
 - 5. Thelma Jane Williams (b.14 Aug 1908-Smith Co. Ms.;d.16 Mar 1988-Atlanta,Georgis)
 - sp: Ilios Grantham (b.14 Jun 1903;m.25 Oct 1925;d.29 Sep 1977-Hattiesburg,Ms.)
 - 6. James Harold Grantham (b.2 Jan 1927;d.21 May 1998-Pinson,Ala.)
 - sp: Thelma Taylor (b.11 Aug 1929;m.4 Nov 1961)
 - 6. Mary Katherine Grantham (b.21 Aug 1930)
 - sp: James Bradford Lear (m.14 Feb 1958)
 - sp: William H. Stringer (b.8 Oct 1926;m.6 Oct 1979)
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 - sp: Marie Gautney (b.3 Dec 1936)
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 - sp: Gary Neal Hodge (b.18 Jan 1938;m.9 Jan 1960)
 - 6. Peggy Jean Grantham (b.19 Jan 1944)
 - sp: John Earl Parker (b.16 Aug 1942;m.16 Dec 1965)
 - 6. Mildred Ann Grantham (b.26 Sep 1945)
 - sp: David Earl Bradley (b.18 Dec 1945;m.10 Nov 1967)
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 - sp: Mavis Kirkland
- 4. Wiley A Grissom (b.Oct 1893-Ms.)
- 3. Thomas Nathaniel Grissom (b.1858-Summerland,Smith Co. Ms.)
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3. Robert Calvin Grissom (b.25 Mar 1861-GSC,Smith Co Ms.;d.31 Mar 1938-Richards,Texas)

sp: Mattie Elizabeth Walker (b.5 May 1855-Texas;m.15 Oct 1884;d.10 Apr 1900)

4. William Newton Grissom (b.21 Feb 1886-Goshen West Sandy Walker Co. Tx.;d.24 Jun 1968)

sp: Ethel Fabian

5. Barron Paul Grissom

5. Paul Grissom

5. Mary Ester Grissom

5. Hubert Grissom (d.26 Nov 1984)

5. Douglas Grissom

4. Nancy Jane Grissom (b.28 Oct 1887-Walker Texas;d.24 Feb 1976)

sp: Ezekiel Williams

5. Eston Williams

5. Willard Williams

5. Elise Williams

5. Wanda Williams

4. Carrie Bell Grissom (b.19 Nov 1889-Walker Texas;d.22 Mar 1895)

4. John Robert Grissom (b.7 May 1891-Goshen Community Texas;d.20 Dec 1981)

sp: Gertrude Pace Whitfield (d.1918)

5. John Gordon Grissom (b.10 Mar 1914-Goshen Community Texas)

sp: Pearl Tilson Nichols

5. Joerle Grissom

5. Amaryllis Grissom

4. Mattie Amanda Grissom (b.1893-Goshen Community Texas;d.29 Nov 1962)

sp: Clem B. Teague (m.Bef 1913)

4. Thomas Carroll Grissom (b.3 Dec 1895;d.24 May 1980)

sp: Edna Allene Foster

5. Thomas Cecil Grissom

5. James Calvin Grissom

4. Mary Irene Grissom (b.16 Dec 1897-Goshen Community Texas)

sp: Leslie B. Bryan (m.24 Jul 1918)

5. Malvane Bryan

5. Celeta Bryan

5. Leslie Boyce Bryan

4. Flora Deida Grissom (b.21 Sep 1899-Goshen Community Texas;d.9 Nov 1973)

sp: Thomas C. Glover (m.1919)

5. Thomas C. Glover jr.

5. Janey Lee Glover

5. Marcelyn Glover

sp: Frances C. Cornella Davis Cauthen (m.2 Jun 1902)

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3. Joseph Craton Grissom (b.29 Oct 1864;d.Feb 1941)

sp: Malinda Jefcoats (b.4 Mar 1865)

4. Nancy E. Grissom (b.1887-Summerland,Smith Co. Ms.)

sp: Jasper Buckley

5. Flora Buckley

sp: A Gileon

6. Kendall M Gileon

6. Carolyn June Gileon

sp: A Holcomb

5. Joseph C Buckley

sp: Bethie Yelverston

5. Eunice Buckley

sp: A Bowman

6. nancy Bowman

sp: A Morgan

5. Maysle Buckley

sp: A Graham

6. Butch Graham

6. Don Graham

5. Hoye Buckley (d.Oct 1985)

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sp: A Graham

6. Rebecca Buckley

sp: A Cowart

6. Richard Hoye Buckley

5. Rupert O Buckley

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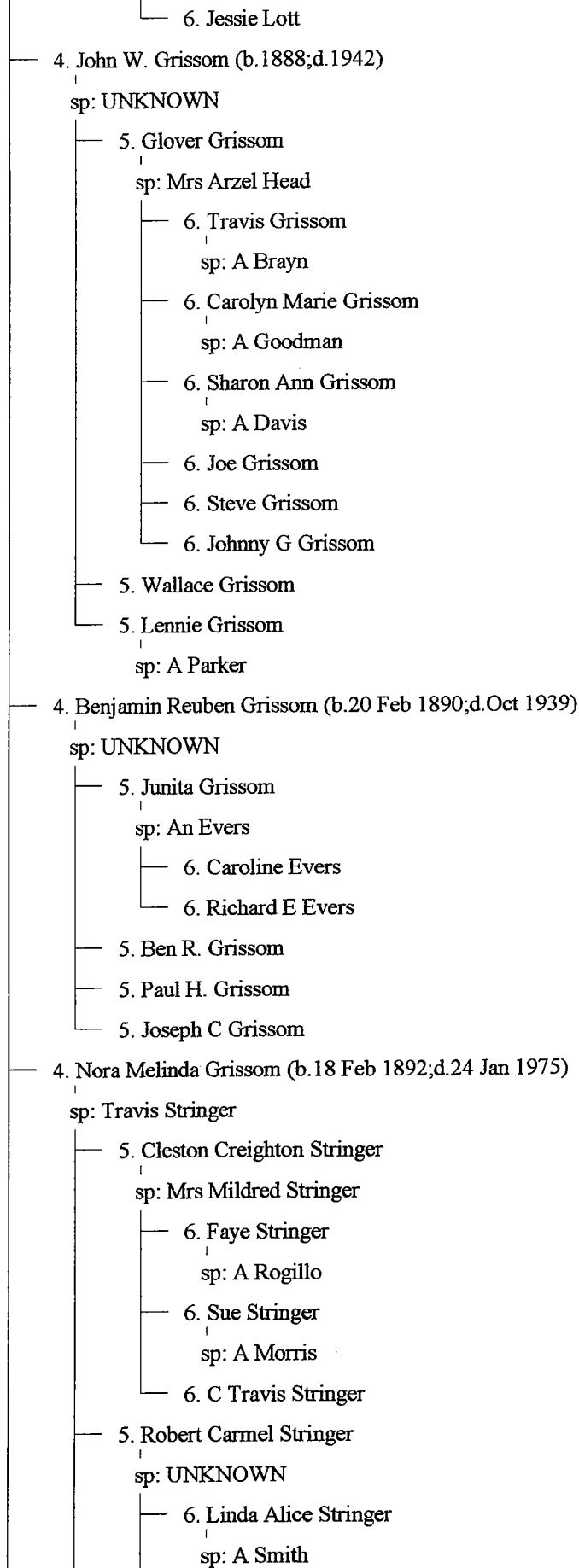
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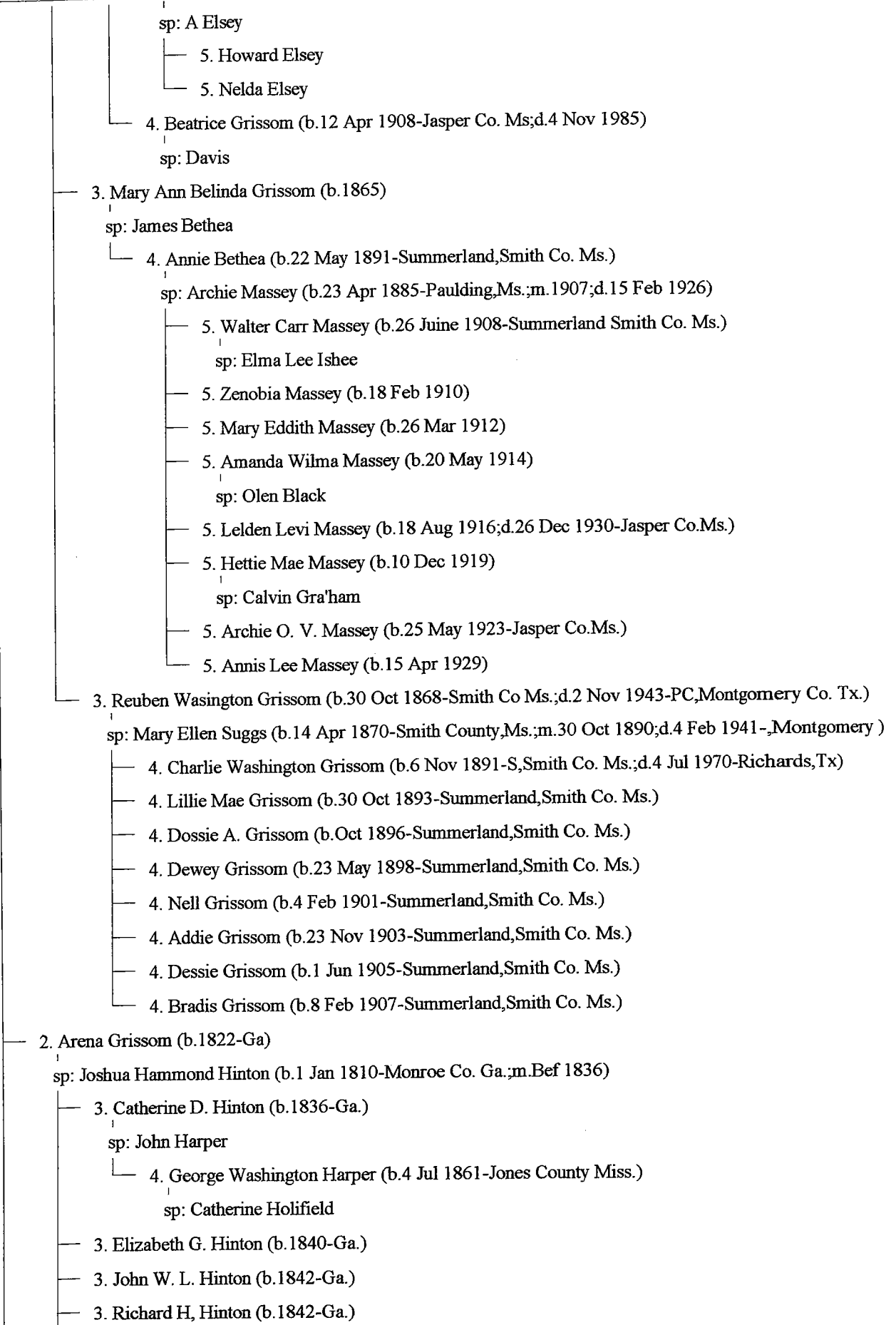
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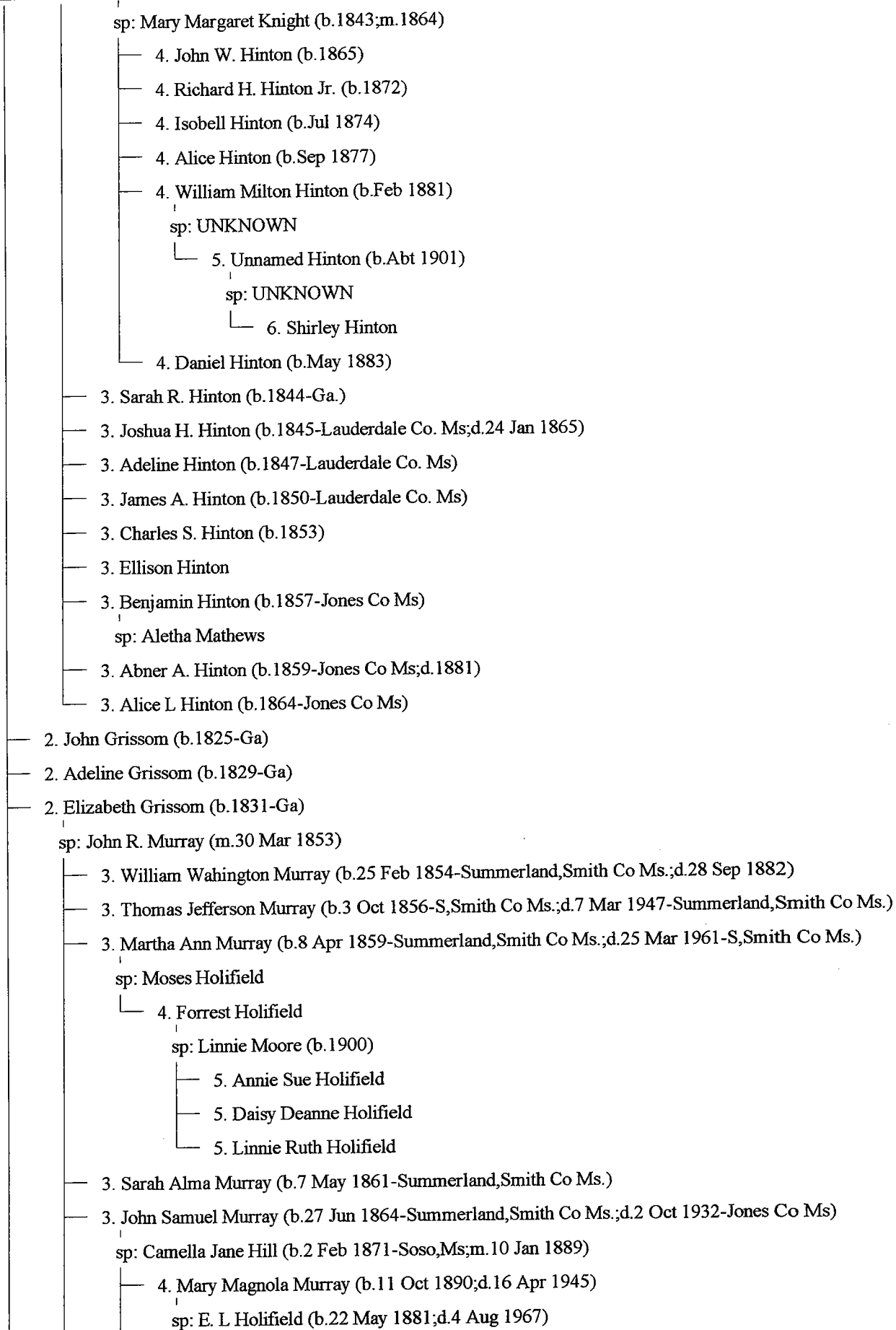
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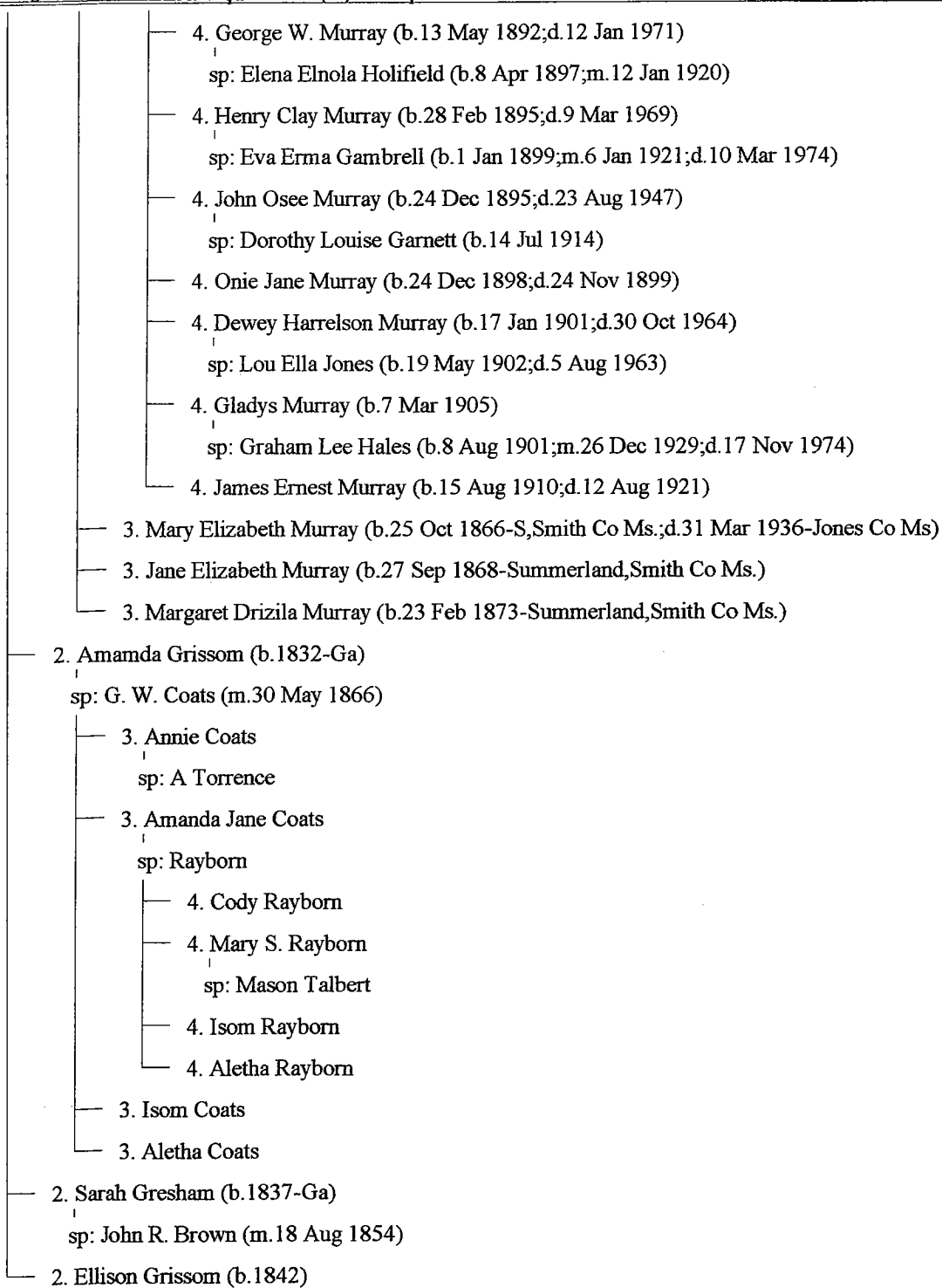
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PART TWO THE SEARCH FOR FOREFATHERS OF ISHAM GRISSOM

What's in a name?

Quite a bit when you are searching for ancestors. In the case of the cousins, it was the multiple listing for Isham in the directory for Ga. Soldiers of the war of 1812 that led them to the name shift. They needed to find out a little more about the original name.

There is a little village in the county of Norfolk in England. This little village has been there, it seems, forever. It is still there today. This little village is called Gresham. It is on the east coast and faces the North Sea.

It may have been called Gresham because it was a grassy sea port [Hamburg – port burg or port town] or given that name for a number of other reasons. However it got its name, it was given into the keeping of a knight who was beholden to William de Warren, his liege lord. That was right after those pesky Normans' invaded England in 1066. Now this knight was called **Ralph de Baunche**.

“ The name **GRESHAM**, according family historians, Thomas Gresham of Richmond Virginia (1923) and Alexander Taylor Strange of Hillsboro,

Illinois (1913), is derived from the French (Norman) Le Gress, meaning the Green, combined with the English suffix "hame" or "ham". Whether the actual meaning of the name "Green home" or "Greathome" it was early given to a parish in the county of Norfolk, England, because of the residence there of its first bearers.

Mr. Strange does not give us a full chronological account of the Greshams during the eleventh, twelfth and thirteenth centuries, but states, that Edward Gresham, presumably a descendant of the De Gresses, founded the town of Gresham, in the county of Norfolk, England”.

Some say that

§ 3 sec., iv., 175; 5 sec., X., 135. ..Grassheim" is, in German, grasshopper; it is a canting crest.

[a footnote in the preface to the Gower History of the Gresham family]

[1] RESEARCH FINDING A FATHER FOR ISHAM GRISSOM

Long before we ever heard of Isham Gresham, we knew about David Grissom [Gresham], Cecil and I. Cecil's Dad, Bill Grissom always said he was 5 generations away from his revolutionary war ancestor, David. Bill said that this David was from the Carolinas. I looked for him at the McCain Library at the University of Southern Mississippi [USM] Cecil and I spent several summers there in the 1950's. We were, working on our Masters. I found a David who was a revolutionary war soldier. He was from the Carolinas. I do not remember which Carolina. We found other Greshams listed. We told Cecil's dad We thought no more about it.. Bill Grissom said that there were 5 brothers. All of them served their country. He also said that they had a falling out and that many of them left.

We took a trip one summer. I wanted to see where US Hwy. 11 went. We knew that it had been part of Andrew Jackson's Military Road. They were constructing Interstate 59. At the time. This new highway was to supersede the old historic road. As we traveled Northward, it was revealing to see how the road followed the valleys. It made for easier travel. I drew the conclusion that this must have been the way the early Grissoms came to Mississippi. A good number of them did, but not David's family. This false conclusion stood in our way years later when we began to search for the father of Isham Grissom.. We were to discover that the family did not migrate through Tennessee. It came from South Carolina first to Georgia, then on to Mississippi. This migration took from around 1800 to around 1840 just about 40 years in the wilderness. When they came out of Georgia to Mississippi, they left David behind. Cecil's father had said that they left the old folks behind. That they were too old to make the trip across Indian country. His father, George Washington Grissom was a young lad when then they left Georgia. He could barely remember his great granddaddy. David.

DAVID GRESHAM
father of
Isham Grissom

[1] David Gresham was born 1755 in Va. [this material was printed in Vol X #2 pp52-55 of GAWYSI an editor's note at the end of the article stated "From land records, census records, jury notices etc., it appears that **David Gresham/Grisham** is probably the son of **Phillip Gresham** born ca 1730 and died ca 1785. **Phillip Gresham** was in Chester Co. S. C. by 1766 and possibly had sons, **David, Jeremiah, William, Druary, John Sr., Major, Moses and James**. All eight men served some type of duty n the Revolutionary War. **David** appears to have had sons, **David** born ca 1774, **Isham** born ca 1780, **John** born ca 1784, **James** born ca 1754, **Jeremiah** and at least four daughters."The birth date given to this Isham matched the one for our Isham. We could find no other Isham Grissom/Gresham in this time frame. We found no other David who was purported to have a son named Isham.. We concluded that this David and this Isham were our family.

[B] Research

[3] DAVID GRESHAM'S DEPOSITION

DAVID GRESHAM/GRISHAM
Revolutionary War Papers

S16393

Name spelled Greasham

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed 7th June 1822

State of Georgia

Troup County

On the fourteenth day of January Eighteen hundred and thirty-three personally appeared in open court before the inferior Court now sitting the same being a court of record. **David Gresham** a resident of the county and state aforesaid, aged seventy seven years, who first being dully sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed July 7th 1832

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated,

"I entered the service of the United States as a volunteer in the state of South Carolina at York Court house in the Militia under Captain Samuel Lasey, Major Baker, and his given name not recollected. Colonel David Hopkins and General Lasey. (His given name not recollected) the date, month and date not recollected, but it was in cool weather And to the best of my recollection the time I entered service of the United States was about four years before the battle fought at the Eaton Spring in South Carolina. From York Court House, we marched to the Fish Dam ford on Broad River. There we were in an engagement with the Tories. From thence we marched into North Carolina to a place called the Cowpens. General Morgan against the Tories then ordered us out from thence to a place called Motley's Settlement in South Carolina under Captain Gray (his given name not recollected) from thence we marched down to the High Mills of Santee in pursuit of the Tories - all agreeable to the orders of General Morgan as before.

From thence we marched back into North Carolina and joined General Morgan's army at which time we were Discharged by General Morgan which discharge I have lost, and then we returned home. There was a call to go up against the Tories when I volunteered under Captain Lasey, Major Baker, Colonel Hopkins and General Lasey and For about a year head of several scouts after the Tories, sometimes in South Carolina and North Carolina, until Sometime before the battle fought at Eutega Spring. We joined General Green's army at Winsborough South Carolina.

At that place and time, there was a call for every eleventh Militiaman. When myself being one of the men called out to go against the Tories. When I was marched under Captain Samuel Lasey on scouts down Broad River, when we took a number of Tories and brought them into camp and returned them over to General Green and who was kept on as scouts, until the battle we fought at Cutan Spring. There we were ordered to march and join General Green's army

at Charleston which we did. There we were discharged by General Greens which discharge I have lost. The full time I served in the United States was four years or upwards. I never bore any commission in the service of the United States but served all the time as a soldier

"I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or security except the present and declare that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open court

DAVID D GREASHAM

(Note David signed a D as his mark - which means he couldn't read or write)

Oliver P...

We, Henry Perkins, a clergyman residing in the County of Troup and Nicholas Johnson residing in the same county hereby certifies that we are well acquainted with David Grisham and Horation S Whitfield, who have subscribed and sworn to the above declaration that we believe him to be seventy years of age and that he is reputed and believed in the neighborhood where he resided to have been a soldier of the revolution and that we concur in that opinion.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open court.

Signed by

Henry Perkins V. D. M.

Nicholas Johnson

Horstion Whitfield

State of Georgia Troup County

On the twenty-first day of June in the year eighteen Hundred and thirty-four, personally appeared in open court before the...inferior court, now sitting David Grisham, a resident of said state and county, age seventy-eight old, whom being first duly sworn according to law doth in his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions of the Act of Congress passing June 1832.

Answer to the 1st interrogation- He was born in the County of Halifax in the State of Virginia on the 15th Day of June 1755

Answer to the 2nd interrogation -He has no records of his age only his memory, his name was by his father recorded but said records were afterwards destroyed by the Tories.

Answer to the 3rd interrogation -He lived in the county of Fairfield in the state of South Carolina when I was called in the service of the United States, from thence to Jasper (Georgia) from thence to Pike County [Georgia] and thence to the County of Troup [Georgia] where he now resides.

Answer to the 4th interrogation -He entered the service of the United States under Captain Samuel Lasey, Colonel Hopkins, General Lacey and volunteered for 12 months, but did not stay the whole time. The first time.....was under the above mentioned officers from the county of Fairfield in South Carolina against the Tories as a place called the Fish Dam Ford on the Broad River where we had an engagement with the Tories, from thence we marched to a place called the Mobley's....Houses on Broad River...specify time

of service containing and lasting for the time...of three months...the...was then discharged - charged by General Lacey, which has been lost or destroyed, this deponent does not recollect what year or month or what day it was. the 2nd time this deponent volunteered under the command of Col. Hopkins, Cat. Lacey and Gen. Lacey and was at Winsborough in the county of

Fairfield in the state of South Carolina. This deponent was sent out under Capt. Lacey after the Tories on the Keogh River of the Santee and after the Battle of the Eutan Springs was sent then against Tories the army under command of the above mentioned officer and from thence was marched to Charleston, South Carolina the deponent was discharged which discharge was signed by Capt. Lasey and Gen. Lasey, the second specified term of service lasted for the term of three months...the day the month nor the year not recollected by this deponent."I hereby, relinquish my claim whatever for a pension or annuity except the present declare that the name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any state"

David Greasham

[signed by his mark which was a D]

Sworn to and subscribed in open court

We, Henry Perkins, a clergyman residing in the county of Troup and William W....residing in the same county, do hereby certify that we are now acquainted with David Greasham who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration that we believe him to be seventy eight years of age and that he is reputed and believed...[the rest of the papers are missing.]

[this document was printed in GAWYSI vol10 #2 April 1995pp52-55 In addition a photo copy of the original document is in Cecil Grissom's private library A copy of David's mark is found in the Appendix below.]

(2) Names of some purported sons for David were taken from summary attached to Rev War papers .See entry above.

(3) An Index to Tax Digests Vol. IV 1809-1811

Jones County 1811. pub, R. J. Taylor Jr. Foundation

The Reprint Co.

Spartanburg, S. C. 1986

This notation shows David and Isham abiding in the same dwelling.

(Gresham , David BA/WA 1810 308 *

Gresham ,Isham BA/WA 1910 308*)

[4] Here are the entries for David Gresham born 1755 Va. these entries are taken from early issues of GAWYSI, The material below was abstracted from data regarding all Greshams who were in contact with David. I have listed only those items that named David and/or Isham Gresham thought to be his son.

[C] Research

DAVID GRESHAM IN GEORGIA [This material was abstracted from Vol. I #4 pp11-14 Oct 1984 of the Newsletter GAWYSI]

3 Nov 1813 Between John Brown and David Grisham both of Jasper County ..\$200 for 50 acres, part of lot 44, 15th Dist . . . SW. Corner, wit: Pulamar C. Higginson, James Richards, JP..signed: John Brown rec 1819 May 5

[Jasper Co. Ga. Deed Books, drawer 36, boxes 24 -28. B1/170]

NOTE Although this is the 1st entry found for David Grisham in Ga, it is not necessarily the date of arrival in Ga. What can be assumed is that sometime between the 1800 Census in South Carolina and the recording of this land deal. David Gresham moved from South Carolina to Georgia, exact date unknown.

17 Feb 1817 Called to appear before Superior Court over minor differences: **Isham Gresham, James Gresham, Jonathan Benton & Allen McClean.** Defendant Allen McLane & also served John Grisham, **David Gresham**

[Jasper Co. Georgia, Superior Court, Vol D., page 86]

NOTE This is the 1st reference other than Census records showing Isham Gresham in close proximity to David Gresham

19 Jul 1817 Between Wm. Simeon & David Grisham, both of Jasper Co. for \$267.50 1/4 part of lot 45, 15th Dist. On Murder Creek, 15th Dist... wit: James Grisham, B. Brown..signed: W., Simpson, James Grisham attested 1819 May 3 recorded 1819 May 5

[Jasper Co, Ga. Deed Books, drawer 36. Boxes 24 -28 B1/177]

21 Jul 1817 Between James Grisham of Jasper Co. and Francis Power of same...for &267.50, 1/4 tract of 202 1/2 acres, part of lot 45 on waters of Murder Creek. Wit: Isham Grisham, Robert Power...signed James Grisham LS...rec 4 Aug 1817. John Willis, JP

[Jasper Co., Ga. Deed Books, drawer 36, boxes 24-28, 8/57]

07 Oct. 1818 Receipt of a debt owed to Jesse Bledsoe by David Grisham for cotton that was to be ginned at David's Cotton Gin - signed Ellison Grisham for David Grisham - receipt was presented in court case of Jesse Bledsoe

[Jasper Co Ga. Superior Court Records]

25 June 1819 Jesse Bledsoe vs David Grisham -David Grisham owned a Cotton Machine [cotton gin] & evidently he didn't deliver two bales to Jesse Bledsoe on 7 Oct 1818 according to a receipt signed by Ellison Grisham for David on that date.

[Jasper Co. Ga .Superior Court Records]

17 March 1821 Received of John Grisham for Gill, Davis & Malposs .. \$350 lbs of seed cotton. Signed D. "D" Grisham [his mark] - in court case of Gill, Davis & Malposs vs David Grisham.

[Jasper Co. G. superior Court Records - Case No. 300]

25 May 1821 John Grisham of Jasper Co to Zachary Pendleton of same Co., 50 acres, 1/4 part of lot 44. 15th Dist. Of Baldwin, now Jasper,. Adj David Grisham & Wm. Ledbetter for \$500 - wit: James Grisham, Ben J. Maronney. Signed: John + Grisham rec. 1821 Jul.

[Jasper Co. Ga. Superior Court Office. Recorded Book O]

31 Oct 1821 Received of John Grisham, 1000 of cotton for Gill, Davis, & Malposs, signed by David "D" Grisham [his mark] in court case of Gill, Davis & Malposs, merchants vs. David Grisham/

Jasper Co. Ga. Superior Court Records, Case No. 300]

1 Nov. 1821 -Wm. Gill, Jeremiah Davis & John Malposs, merchants vs David Grisham for \$2000 dollars for cotton David Grisham bought from people to be ginned and baled & delivered to the merchants Agreement was for David to receive 1/12 part.[Jasper Co., Ga. Superior Court Records No 300]

10 Nov 1821 Received of John Wilkinson , 8111 lbs of cotton - 1822 Jan 19 - received 2000 lbs of cotton to gin & pack. Signed by David "D" Grisham [in court case of Gill, Davis & Malposs vs. David Grisham concerning David's cotton gin]

[Jasper Co. Ga. Superior Court Records - Case No. 300]

13 Nov 1821 Received of C. Coody 252 lbs of seed cotton for Gill, Davis, & Malposs. Signed by David "D"

Grisham. In court case of Gill, Davis & Malpass vs. David Grisham concerning David's cotton gin.

[Jasper Co. Ga. Superior Court Records - Case No. 300]

20 Nov 1821 - Received of Wm. Paggett 196 lbs. Of cotton - 1822 Jan 5 - received 1098 lbs. Of cotton. Signed David "D" Grisham [his mark]- in court case of Gill, Davis, & Malpass vs. David Grisham.

[Jasper Co. Ga. Superior Court Records -Case No. 300]

27 Nov 1821 Received of Robert Power 320 lbs of cotton for Gill, Davis & Malpass. Signed by David Grissom [note: there is no mark on this one and the spelling is different, also writing was bad...could this be a son or older David?]

[Jasper Co. Ga. Superior Court Records, Case No. 3000]

29 Nov 1821 Received of C. Coody 304 lbs of seed cotton for Gill, Davis & Malpass. [for David's cotton gin - in case of Gill, Davis & Malpass vs. David Grisham: signed by David "D" Grisham

[Jasper Co. Ga. Superior court Record, Case No. 300]

27 Aug 1822 between David Grisham & Charles Eagerton, both of Jasper Co...\$1000 100 acres on Murder Creek, adj. Land of Ben. J. Lockhart, Carmichael & Wm. Grisham, Wm Pearson, 15th Dist. Wit: Isham Gresham, Mat Whitfield, JIC. Signed David Grisham [his "D" mark]

;Jasper Co. Deed Books, drawer 36, boxes 24 - 28, A 330/331]

5 Jan 1822 Received of John Wilkinson 6640 lbs. of seed cotton to gin & pack for Gill, Davis & Malpass. Signed by David "D" Grisham [for David's cotton gin - in court case of Gill, Davis 7 Malpass vs. David Grisham.

[Jasper Co. Ga. Superior Court Records]

19 Jan 1822 Received of B. Brown 210 lbs of cotton to gin & pack for Gill, Davis & Malpass. Signed by David "D" Grisham [for David's cotton gin - in court case of Gill, Davis & Malpass vs Davis Grisham]

[Jasper Co. Ga. Superior Court Records, Case No 300]

1823 Twenty deeds were listed in Index from John Grisham, David Grisham and Jephtha Gresham as grantees. Seven [7] deeds were listed for John and David Grisham as grantors. [note From Carol;"she didn't send detailed info. Will ask if she it if anyone of you wants it."

[Books A, B, C, D, E, F,. Pages 12, 28, 44, 50, 56, 99, 140, 158, 162, 228, 258, 259, 260, 261, 340, 359, 364, 385, 423, 468, 489, 495, 508, 528]

1828 Carroll sells land to David Gresham/Grisham 123/2 David has moved from Jasper County.

[Pike Co. Ga. Deed Index 1823 - 1850 - Book B, page 508]

7 June 1832 "State of Georgia, Troup County" David applies for a Revolutionary War Pension for the 1st time. He is 77years old.

21 June 1834. At the age of 78, David has yet to be awarded a pension for his War Service.. This interrogation is taken in Troup County, State of Georgia.

18 Nov 1837 From Denny to David E. Gresham, 122 acres, lot 67, dist. 12. David sold 60 acres to Betterton, lot 67, Dist. 12 but do not have date of sale. His son Isham is looking toward Mississippi. [Isham will appear on the tax records of Lauderdale County, Mississippi in 1838[see the time line for Isham Gresham elsewhere] David is 80 years old. He may be planning on moving back to Pike County where other family members are to be found.

[Troup Co. Ga. Deeds, Book F. page 382 & Book G., page 335]

This information was commissioned by Carol Byrom and Mary Jane Steinhagen. I have abstracted just those items that name David Gresham. David was born in Va. 1755. He moved as a child to the Craven District of South Carolina circa 1767.

SOUTH CAROLINA BY DATE

1780 David journeyed up to York Courthouse where he signed up with the militia.

1787- Jury draw included David Grissom and John Grissom,,deeds from John Grissom to David Grissom and Robert. Leonard to Jeremiah Grissom and John Grissom acknowledge and ordered recorded.

[Chester Co. S. C. Minutes of the County Court 1785-1799]

1787 May 30 - John [x] Gresham, planter & dower by Elinor [x] his wife, deed to David Gresham, of same co...for 1 six pence sterling..100 acres on Flinton's Creek of Sandy River, being a grant made to said John on 15 Sept 1785..wit Jeremiah Gresham [Chester Co. S. C. Court House Old Deed Book A. page 247]

1797 - David Grisham paid by court
[Chester Co. S. C. - Minutes of the County Court 1785-1799 Chester Co. S. C.]

1797 - Major Grisham granted leave to keep tavern in is house. David Grasham and Hassel Hardiwick his securities on bond
[Chester Co. S. C. - Minutes of the County Court 1785 - 1799]

1797 - David Grasham granted leave to keep tavern in his house. Major Grisham and John lay his securities on Bond.
[Chester Co. S. C. - Minutes of the County Court 1783 - 1799]

1800 - Page 229 - David Gresham 26-45, 3 males 10-16 ,1 male 16-26, 3 females under 10, 1 female 10-16, 1 female 26-45
[Fairfield Co. S. C. 1800 Census Record].
Sometime after 1800 David is found in Ga.

David married **Elizabeth** ²!Some people speculate that the wife of David Gresham may have been a Miss Isham. This is based on the name of the child Isham. This name does not appear to be a name associated with the Gresham family. No other Isham Gresham has been found prior to this 1780 date for the birth of this Isham. Another Isham Gresham is born 1848 in Tenn. He is named for his mother's family of Isham. This may be the case in this earlier naming pattern. The name Elizabeth Isham is one of conjecture rather than of proof.]

BIRTH: It is believed that David Gresham was born in Halifax co Va. 1755 He thought so and so states in his deposition quoted above.

LOCALE: "the up-country of the states of Virginia, South Carolina and Georgia provided the environment that David dwelt in all the days of his life. As a youngster he couldn't choose where he would dwell. He moved with his family to South Carolina

When he moved out of South Carolina, he moved further south to the foothills of Georgia. Home to David was a place of rolling gentle hills, tall virgin forests and a plethora of wild game.

LOCALE: "[Places where records of David Grisham /Gresham are found
Halifax Co VA.....1755-birthplace according to Rev War papers
Fairfield Co S.C.....1780-entered in Rev War
Chester Co S. C.....1787 jury duty
Chester Co S.C.....1787-land deal with John Gresham and wife Elinor
Fairfield Co. S.C.....1790 Census record
Chester Co S.C.....1796-David sold land to Jeremiah Gresham
Irwin/Jasper Co GA.....1820-land lotteries
Troup Co GA.....1830 Census records
Pike Co GA.....1840 Census record
David Grisham died between 1840 and 1850
source-GAWYSI vol. 10 #2 Apr 1996 page 55

EDUCATION: Public records concerning David show him signing documents with his mark. If he had any formal Schooling at all, he should have been able to sign his name. However even on his request for a war pension, he signs With his mark. David, then, may have been completely unlettered.

MARRIAGE: No record of a marriage for David has yet been found. Hence no record for his wife has been uncovered. The most promising clue to her identity is the name of their first child [for 2nd child], Isham. Isham is a surname. It may be possible that at one time a Isham family did reside near the Gresham enclave in South Carolina.

[A] THE Family of David Gresham [b 1755]

David Gresham may have had the following children:

- M i. **David Gresham** was born³ about 1774.
David married **Unknown** .[In the Gresham Linage Book p78 there is a David Grisham listed birth unknown. This David married Mary Kinzer/Keiser 15 June 1808 in Fayette Co Ky. No claim is made that this David is the son of David 1755]
- M ii. **Isham Grissom** ⁴ was born^{5,6} in 1780 in South Carolina. He died in Lauderdale Co. Ms..
Isham married **Elizabeth Merrasone (Maloney?)** on 4 Jul 1816 in Jasper Co Ga. Elizabeth was born^{5,6} in 1795 in Ga.. She died in 1860 in Smith Co Ms..
- F iii. **Frances Gresham** ⁷ was born about 1782.
Frances married **Jonathan Benton** ⁸ .
- M iv. **James Gresham** ⁹ was born¹⁰ in 1784.
James married¹² **Rachel Coody** ¹¹ on 1 Apr 1823 in Jasper Co. Ga..
- M v. **John Gresham** was born¹³ about 1785.
- M vi. **Jeremiah Gresham** ¹⁴ was born¹⁵ about 1790.
Jeremiah married **Unknown** .
- M vii. **William Gresham** was born^{16,17} in 1795 in South Carolina.
William married¹⁹ **Elizabeth Wilkerson** ¹⁸ on 1 Apr 1823 in Jasper Co. Ga.. Elizabeth was born^{16,17} in 1804 in Ga..
- F viii. **Sarah Gresham** was born²⁰ about 1800.
Sarah married **Harrison Wilkerson** ²¹ .
- F ix. **Elizabeth Gresham** ²² was born²³ about 1803 in South Carolina.
- M x. **Ellison Gresham** was born²⁴ about 1804.
Ellison married **Eliza** ²⁵ .

Sources

1. Carol Gresham Byrom, **GAWYSI** vol X #2 1995 pp52-66, newsletter Vol X #2 1995 , 6 Jul 2000, Cecil Grissom Private Library, Stringer, Ms. Isham Gresham appears to have been the son of David Gresham. He is found living with or near by David until he departs Ga and moves to Kemper county Ms. David gives the date of his birth and the place in his application for a pension for service in the Revolutionary War.
2. SHIRLEY NORMAN GUNN, 18 Jul 2000. "We believe but not absolutely proven, that David Gresham married Elizabeth _____.
3. Carol Grisham Byrom, **GAWYSI** vol X 1995, pub 4 times a year, page 55, Cecil Grissom Private Library, Stringer, Ms.
4. **1860 Lauderdale Co Ms Census**, 24 Sep 2000. Isham Grissom is found living beside David Grissom. Isham is 80 years old. The entry shows the two households as 335/321 and 334/320. David's age est abt 63. Gives age as abt 80 years old. Isham appears to have named his eldest son David. This naming pattern has continued in this family adding credence to the belief that David is the father of Isham Grissom.
5. Mary Jane Steinhagen, www.cgi.rootsweb.com/~genbbs/genbbs.cgi/surnames/gre/Gresham?read=3
, 4 Jul 2000. The David mention above had issue. It is believed that Isham Gresham was his son. Isham left Ga and migrated to Ms, [tax rolls 1838] He is found both in Kemper Co. and Lauderdale Co., lists Isham as a probable child of David.
6. Carol Gresham Byrom, **GAWYSI** vol X #2 1995 pp52-66, 3 Feb 2000.
7. SHIRLEY NORMAN GUNN, 18 Jul 2000.
8. Ibid
9. Ibid
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13. Carol Grisham Byrom, **GAWYSI** vol X 1995 p 55 .
14. SHIRLEY NORMAN GUNN, 16 Jul 2000
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16. SHIRLEY NORMAN GUNN, 16 Jul 2000.
17. **1850 CENSUS TALLAPOOSA CO. ALA** , PAGE 5 household 66, 6 Aug 2000.
18. SHIRLEY NORMAN GUNN, 17 Jul 2000.
19. SHIRLEY NORMAN GUNN, 5 Aug 2000. the marriage date is given in Gunn's listing of Descendants of David Gresham.
20. SHIRLEY NORMAN GUNN, 16 Jul 2000.
21. SHIRLEY NORMAN GUNN, 17 Jul 2000.
22. **1850 Tallapoosa Co. Al. Census**, 17 Jul 2000. If Elizabeth is 47 in 1850. Her birth year is mostly 1803. In 1803 David Gresham is still to be found living in South Carolina.

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23. SHIRLEY NORMAN GUNN, 16 Jul 2000. This is a sister of William's and a daughter of David Gresham.
24. Ibid.
25. Ibid
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I Never quite understood head rights they are mentioned throughout these early documents

In order to encourage immigration into the colony, the Virginia Company, meeting in a Quarter Court held on 18 November 1618, passed a body of laws called *Orders and Constitutions* which came to be considered "the Great Charter of privileges, orders and laws" of the colony. Among these laws was a provision that any person who settled in Virginia or paid for the transportation expenses of another person who settled in Virginia should be entitled to receive fifty acres of land for each immigrant. The right to receive fifty acres per person, or per head, was called a headright. The practice was continued under the royal government of Virginia after the dissolution of the Virginia Company, and the Privy Council ordered on 22 July 1634 that patents for head rights be issued.

Although seldom used during the eighteenth century, the procedure remained in effect until the passage of an act in the session begun in May 1779 which, in adjusting and settling titles to lands, gave a period of twelve months from the end of the legislative session for such rights to be claimed or be considered forfeited.

A person who was entitled to a head right usually obtained a certificate of entitlement from a county court and then took the certificate to the office of the secretary of the colony, who issued the headright, or right to patent fifty acre of land. The holder of the headright then had the county surveyor make a survey of the land and then took the survey and the headright back to the capital to obtain a patent for the tract of land. When the patent was issued, the names of the immigrants, or headrights, were often included in the text of the document.

As valuable properties, head rights could be bought and sold. The person who obtained a patent to a tract of land under a head right might not have been the person who immigrated or who paid for the immigration of another person. Headrights were not always claimed immediately after immigration, either; there are instances in which several years elapsed between a person's entry into Virginia and the acquisition of a head right and sometimes even longer between then and the patenting of a tract of land.

The headright system was subject to a wide variety of abuses from outright fraud to multiple claims by a merchant and a ship's captain to a headright for the same immigrant passenger. Some prominent merchants and colonial officials received headrights for themselves each time they returned to Virginia from abroad. As a result of the abuses and of the transferable nature of the headrights, the system, which may have been intended initially to promote settlement and ownership of small plots of land by numerous immigrants, resulted in the accumulation of large tracts of land by a small number of merchants, shippers, and early land speculators.

The presence of a name as a headright in a land patent, then, establishes that a person of a certain name had entered Virginia prior to the date of the patent; but it does not prove when the person immigrated or who was initially entitled to the headright.

For extended analyses of Virginia land policies, see Fairfax Harrison *Virginia Land Grants* (New York, 1925, Richmond, 1979); Robert A. Stewart's introduction in volume one of Nell M. Nugent's *Cavaliers and Pioneers* (Richmond, 1934); Daphne Gentry's introduction in volume four of Dennis Hudgins' *Cavaliers and Pioneers* (Richmond, 1995); and the introduction to the *Virginia Land Office Inventory*, first published by the Library of Virginia in 1973.

[A] The Forefathers of David Gresham [b1755]

PHILLIP GRESHAM
Father of
David Gresham

1. **Phillip Gresham**¹ was born in 1730 in Va .there is very little known re: Phillip Gresham.: The only Phillip Gresham found in this time frame is the Phillip Gresham listed as 104 Phillip Gresham son of Edward. in the Feb 1990 Issue of GAWYSI page 7. However the birth date given for this Phillip's grandfather Thomas Gresham is 23 Nov 1715. It hardly seems possible that this Thomas could have a son old enough to sire a son in 1730,Thomas Gresham b 23 Nov 1715,Edward Gresham his son birth date not given Phillip Gresham son of Edward b 1730

If this line is correct there must be an error in calculation

1747 Earliest known descendant from Edward of Northumberland/ Middlesex/New Kent/King & Queen Counties. is PHILIP - res.

Lunenburg Co VA 1749 (tax list). This family migrated to Chester Co SC ca 1755/8 - about the time of the Indian troubles on the VA frontier. Philip had sons John (eldest),Jeremiah, Moses, Major (a given name, not a rank),David, others. Left Chester Co SC 1809, migrated through GA where some stayed; on through Adams Co MS 1810 (marr rec's of 2 dau's); to Ouachita Parish LA by 1812.[this information was posted on the internet by Mary Jane Steinhagen]

The following information was gathered by Carol Grisham Byrom, the editor of the Gresham newsletter **GRESHAM ANYWAY YOU SPELL IT.**

1766 Sept 02 Chester Co. S. C. [formerly Craven Co.] **Archives of Court proceedings - Council Meeting - Petitions to prepare warrants and prolong warrants and to certify plats and grants.....lists Phillip Gresham.....450 acres....North side of Broad River.**

1766 Sept 26 Craven Co. S. c. land Records listed from **SC DEPT OF ARCHIVES & HISTORY ALPHABETICAL INDEX** page 14023 & microfilm of originals Plat Vol 16 p 24 - Phillip Grisham plat for 400 acres - entry numbers 0009 003 0016 00241 01 - on N side of Broad River situated on Mill Creek a branch of Turkey Creek, Granted by Gov General of S. C. Wm Bull. Ord 1774 May 7

1767 and 1782 He had a son, Thomas, living with him as early as 1767 In that year he also had another Thomas Gresham and a John Gresham, sons of John Gresham living with him. **GAWYSI Vol VII #1 Feb 1990 page 7**

1769 Feb 07 Craven Co. SC [Chester Co] Land records listed from **SC DEPT OF ARCHIVES & HISTORY ALPHABETICAL INDEX** p 14023 & microfilm of the originals - vol 16 page 237 - Phillip Gresham, Dennis Carrell, plat for 100 acres on Tones creek . Sides vacant land. Certified 28 Feb 1768 Ord 7 Apr 1772 for Phillip - Craven Co - Entry numbers 0009 003 0016 00237 03

1771 Chester Co WPA abstracts of the Deeds- Lucy Collins deeded to Dennis Carrell 100 acres granted 1787 Feb 17 Carrell then deeded to John Colvin recorded 1792 Lucy Collins tract bounded Phillip Gresham's in 1772 & Dennis Carrell's tract was ordered for Phillip Grisham in 1772.

1772 Aug 6 Craven co. SC - Land Records listed from **SC dept. of ARCHIVES & HISTORY Alphabetical Index** p 13951 & microfilm of originals - Memorial Vol II p 326 - Phillip Gresham , memorial [tax return] for 100 acres on Stone Creek - bounded NW b Lucy Collins certified 7 Apr 1772 Granted - Entry Numbers - 0030 002 0011 00325 - Granted 1772 Aug 06 - delivered to Thos.. Franklin 1773 Mar 07

1772 May 21 Craven Co. SC - Same records as above - Vol 25 p 558 - Phillip Gresham Land Grant for 100acres - entry numbers 0002 005 0025 00558 0 - tract or plantation of land lying on Stones' Fork of Sandy River bounded northwest by Lucy Collins...all other sides vacant.

1774 May 17 Chester Co SC - Microfilm of actual records - Vol 30 p 349 - Phillip Grisham reserves Quit Rent of 3 shilling Sterling or 4 shillings Proclamation money at end of 2 years on 400 acres land grant on Branch of Turkey Creek called Mill Branch north side of Broad River granted by King George III

1774 Oct 27 Craven Co. SC - Land Records Listed from SC Dept of Archives & history Alphabetical Index - page 14023 & microfilm of the original - Memorial Vol. 13 p 69 - Phillip Grisham for 400 acres on branch of Turkey Creek on north side of Broad River Surveyed 1774 May 7. Granted 1774 May 17 to the Memorialist. Entry Nos 0030 002 0013 000069 03 Del'd 1774 Nov 19 to Robert Tindall

1785 Feb 05 Chester Co SC Court House Deed Book C page 120 - John Grissom, oldest son of Phillip Grissom late of Camden Distr. Deceased, yeoman, no dower, to Robert Tindall 400 acres on N Side Broad River...on Mill Creek, branch of Turkey Creek - part of grant to Phillip in 1766. Wit. Jeremiah Gresham...[Carol Grisham Byrom has a copy of the deed]

1787 June 25 Chester Co Court House Old Deed Book A page 316 - John Gresham...a land deed to Isaac Taylor...1350...a tract or plantation on Stone's Fork of Sandy River being an original grant to Phillip Gresham for 100 acres on 1 May 1772...sold to Isaac Taylor

Phillip may have had the following children

- M i. **John Gresham** was born² about 1749 in Va.. He died³ in Feb 1825 in Monroe, Georgia.[see entry above for 1747]
John married **Eleanor** .
- M ii. **Druary Gresham** was born⁴ about 1750 in Virginia.
- M iii. **Jeremiah Gresham** ⁵ was born on 20 Sep 1753 in Halifax Co Va.. He died⁶ in Sep 1857 in Ouachita Parish, La. [see entry above for 1747]
Jeremiah married⁷ (1) **Frances** in Chester Co. S. C. [?].
Jeremiah married⁸ (2) **Susan Bassett** in 1844 in Chester Co. S. C. [?].
Jeremiah married⁹ (3) **Sarah McGuire** in 1853 in Chester Co. S. C. [?].
- M iv. **David Gresham** was born¹⁰ on 15 Jun 1755 in County of Halifax, Va..
David married **Elizabeth** ¹¹ .[see entry above for 1747]
- M v. **Moses Gresham** ¹² was born in 1759 in New River, Virginia. died in Apr 1838.
Moses married **Martha** "Patty". [see entry above for 1747]
- M vi. **James Gresham** was born after 1759. [thought to be James M. Gresham]
- M vii. **William Gresham** was born after 1759. He died about 1822.
William married **Rachel** .
- M viii. **Major Gresham** ¹³ was born after 1759. He died in Nov 1800.
Major married **Frances Trussell** . Frances was born after 1750. She died in Nov 1800 in South Carolina.
[see entry above for 1747]

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Abnentafel Chart for Phillip Gresham
First Generation

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of Edward. in the Feb 1990 Issue of GAWYSI page 7. However the birth date given for this Phillip's grandfather

Thomas Gresham is 23 Nov 1715. It hardly seems possible that this Thomas could have a son old enough to sire a son in 1730

Thomas Gresham b 23 Nov 1715

Edward Gresham his son birth date not given

Phillip Gresham son of Edward b 1730

If this line is correct there must be an error in calculation

Phillip married **Unknown** .

Second Generation

2. **Edward Gresham** was born² in Briar Hill, King and Queen County Va.

Edward Gresham, the son of Thomas Gresham of Briar Hill, King and Queen County, Virginia patented land on Harris Creek, Amelia County Virginia in 1747 [Deed book 27m p 346, Amelia County, Virginia] This land was in Prince Edward County, Virginia in 1754 when it was formed.[GAWYSI Feb 1990]

Third Generation

Thomas Gresham was born on 23 Nov 1715 in King and Queen County Va.

Fourth Generation

John Gresham was born³ on 5 Jan 1692 in King and Queen Co. Va.. He married Ann Carnen on 30 Mar 1714. **Ann Carnen** died on 7 Apr 1735.

Fifth Generation

Thomas Gresham 1 was born in 1657 in King and Queen County Va. He married Mary Elizabeth **Mary Elizabeth** was born about 1650.

Sixth Generation

32. **Edward Gresham**⁴ was born⁵ in 1618 in Titsey County Surrey. He⁶ died in Axoll's Swamp, new Kent county, Va..

Edward resided⁷ in 1704 in King and Queen County Virginia.

Though not proven, Edward Gresham is thought to be the ancestor of this branch of the Gresham family. Since this is the case, as much information as can be found about this Edward will be gathered here

TIME LINE FOR EDWARD GRESHAM THE IMMIGRANT

DATE EVENT AND RECORD

1618 Edward Gresham born in England
Edward was the brother of John Gresham, immigrant. They were Sir Edward Gresham (of Titsey) and Mary Clarke's first and third sons, as appears by deed dated 13 Nov 1630 (Tanredge Hundred Chat, p493).

1635 Sept 02 Edward Gresham emigrated
"Secunde de Septembris 1635...These underwritten names are to be transported to St.Christopher's: imbarqued in the William and John, Rowland Langram, Mr (master have been examined by the master of Gravesend and took oath of allegiance and Suprem:die et AO pd...passed from the port of London Edward Gresham...age 17"
(The Original Lists of Persons of Quality, edited by John Camden Hotten, published by G. A. Baker & Co, New York 1931)

[note: " for the purpose of stimulating immigration and the settlement of the colony, the London Company ordained that any person who paid his own way to Virginia should be assigned 50 acres of land for his owne personal adventure and if he transported at his owne cost one or more persons he should for each person whose passage he paid, be awarded 50 acres of land". (Cavaliers & Pioneers, Abstracts of Virginia land Grants 1623-1800
By Nell M Nugent,-page xxiv) comment...Edward did not go directly to Va. St Christopher's was his destination. Today it is called St Kitts]

1658, Oct 1 Edward Gresham came to Virginia
"Robert Jones 500 acres New Kent Co, page 187,(276) on N side of Mattaponi River, beginning at land of John Exell on N, Side of a branch of Peanketanke Swamp. Transportation of 10 persons assigned to Rowland Williams, who assigned to Ed Gresham in whose name it was renewed.[18 March 1662"(Cavaliers & Pioneers, Abstracts of Virginia Land Grants, 163-1800 by Nell M Nugent vol 1 Patent Book No 4, page 370)

1660 Edward Gresham renewed Land
"Rowland Williams-Robert Jones patented 500 acres in New Kent (King & Queen) County north of Mattapony River, on a branch of Peanketanke (dragon) Swamp 14 Oct 1658- Jones assigned to Williams who assigned - Edward Gresham in whose name the patent was renewed on 18 March 1662(6/370) (Virginia Along & Near the Lower Rappahannock River 1607-1799- Vol 2 By John Otto Yurechko)
[this entry is an addend to the time line. It is found in GAWYSI vol 15 #1 Jan 2000]

1662 Mar 18 Edward Gresham renewed land
Mr Edward Gresham renewed his 500 acres assigne 1658 (Cavaliers & Pioneers Abstracts of Virginia Land Grants 1623-1800 by Nell M Nugent vol1 Patent book No 4 Page 370)

1675 Jan 10 Edward Gresham granted more land
Edward Gresham 111 acres New Kent Co . N side of Axoll's Swamp, p556, adj. Col Claiborne &c., Trans. of 3 persons (not listed)" (Cavaliers & Pioneers, abstracts of Virginia Land Grants.1623-1800 By Nell M Nugent vol11, Patent book no 6 Page 163)

1690 Oct 23 Edward Gresham, Sr's land has resurvey "Mr Edward Gresham, Senr., 641 acres New Kent County in St Stephen's Parish; N. Side of Mattaponi River, NE side if the Axel Swamp & Pelican Swamp...page 98, 500acres granted him, 18 March 1662, upon resurvey 141 acres found to be overplus, imp. of 3 pers."

1704 Edward Gresham on Tithe Listing
Tithe list for King & Queen Co Va.-Old New Kent Co lists the following
John Gresham.....200acres
Edward Gresham.....175acres
George Gresham.....150acres
Thomas Gresham.....225acres

[These are probably the sons or grandsons of Edward Gresham, the immigrant. If he were alive, he would have been approximately 86 years old...which is possible. However it is the consensus of most that these are the children of Edward. Many of us believe we are descended from these four men.....]

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OLD HOUSES

OF

King & Queen Co. V.A.

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BRIAR HILL HOUSE

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One of the numerous empty King and Queen houses is Briar Hill, This is the earliest known residence of the family of Edward Gresham the immigrant. It is so surrounded by bushes, briars, trees and vines that it is inaccessible by car and accessible by foot only to a hardy walker. Once reached, however, it appears to be in reasonably good condition. It consists of a two-story front unit long enough to contain the conventional central hall with room on each side, and a one-story ell in the rear. The very large chimney and steep roof of the ell make it appear of earlier date than the main house, although this has a large chimney at one end and has probably been remodeled at some time. Briar Hill was the home of three Samuel Greshams, father, son and grandson. The grandson was Samuel S. Gresham, a prosperous merchant who owned a store at the Great Crossroads when Newton was still an important center.

John Newton Gresham, a brother of Samuel S. Gresham and born at Briar Hill in 1820 was the ancestor of many whose names are inextricably bound up with the history of King and Queen. He was, in the words of his son-in-law H. R. Pollard [popularly known as "Speaker" a man of "excellent mind, limited education, kindly disposition, pleasing manner, and unusually attractive person." [emphases mine. I have never seen a more attractive passel of men than you Gresham/ Grissoms. I think that is one of your traits... to be handsome] After serving briefly as deputy in the county clerk's office, he became an employee in the store of John Bagby, a leading merchant of Stevensville, and married his daughter, **Hannah**. When John R. Bagby took over his father's business the firm became Bagby and Gresham. John N. Gresham later served his county as clerk of the court and its representative in the House of Delegates. He and his wife were the parents of **Jessie Gresham** who married H. R. Pollard, son of Col. John R. Pollard and Juliet [Jeffries] Pollard, many of whose descendants are loyal members of the King and Queen Historical Society. One of these, the late Albert Pollard, generously remembered the Society in his will.

Briar hill is situated near Upper King and Queen Church in the section of the county where Greshams seem to have been established since early days. In 1741 **Thomas Gresham** was one of five [patentees of fifteen hundred and twenty-five acres "in the fork of the Mattapony"; a **Samuel Gresham** was one of five Greshams furnishing beef and brandy for the Continental Army in 1780 and 1781; seven Gresham are listed as landowners in 1782 one of them, **Samuel Gresham**, with four hundred acres, a **William Gresham** was lieutenant of infantry in the militia in 1797, and a **Samuel Gresham** was witness in a 1799 lawsuit. H may be the same man who owned four hundred acres in 1782 and furnished provision for the army about that time; and he was probably the builder of the oldest part of Briar Hill, the first of its three Samuels.

Today there are no Greshams in upper King and Queen to rescue this ancient family landmark. Briar Hill now belongs to the eight heirs of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Baldwin, who bought it from Reuben Garnett many years ago.

B] The Family of Edward Grissom [b1619

Edward Gresham The Immigrant

1. **Edward Gresham**¹ was born² in 1618 in Titsey County Surrey U. K. .He³ died in Axoll's Swamp, New Kent county, Va. For details of Edward's life see the above Time Line. If he was the son of Sir Edward Gresham he would have grown up at Titsey, the manor House shown here
Edward lived⁴ in 1704 in King and Queen County Virginia.



He had the following children:

- M i. **Thomas Gresham 1** was born in 1657 in King and Queen County Va.
Thomas married **Mary Elizabeth** . Mary was born about 1650.
- M ii. **George Gresham 2** was born⁵ in 1690 in King and Queen Co. Va..
George married⁶ **Sarah** on 10 May 1732 in Va.. Sarah was born in 1715/1718.
- M iii. **John Gresham 3**⁷ was born⁸ about 1714. He died⁹ in Apr 1814.
John married **Unknown** .
- M iv. **Edward Gresham Jr.**^{4 10} .
Edward married **Unknown** .

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Sir Edward Gresham of Titsey

[Sir Thomas 1561, Sir William 1522, Sir John 1492, Sir John 1455, James of Holt 1420, John 1390, John 1340, Edward de Gresham 1312, Roger de Gresham 1260/1289?, Roger de Gresham 1230/1259, Sir Peter de Branche 1200/1229, Unknown de Braunche 1170/1199, Sir Richard de Braunche abt 1050, Sir Ralph de Braunche abt 1030]

Sixteenth Generation from progenitor

1. **Sir Edward Gresham of Titsey**¹ was born² in 1590 in Limpsfield Surrey, England. He died³ on 2 Jan 1647. He was buried⁴ on 7 Jan 1647 in Limpsfield Co Surrey, England. The nineteenth century Greshams sat in Parliament as Mps and supported the King in

the Civil War, suffering accordingly. In 1643 the house at Titsey was commandeered by the Parliamentarians but was later returned. At the Restoration in 1660 Charles II created Marmaduke Gresham a baronet as a reward for the family's support of the royalist cause.



Sir Edward Gresham married⁵ (1) Mary Clerke or Clark . Mary died in 1626.

Sir Edward Gresham and Mary had the following children:

- M i. **John Gresham** was born⁶ about 1613. he died in Maryland [immigrant]
- M ii. **Thomas Gresham** was born⁷ about 1615 in Limpsfield Co. Surrey, England. He died⁸ on 6 Jan 1654 in prison - the fleet. He was buried⁹ on 6 Jan 1654/1655 in St Faith's London.
Thomas married¹⁰ Margaret Brydges in 15 June 1639.
- M iii. **Edward Gresham**¹¹ was born¹² in 1618. He¹³ died in Virginia.
Edward married Unknown [immigrant].

Sir Edward married¹⁵ (2) Mary Champion or Camion in 1626. Mary was born in 1588.

They had the following children:

- F iv. **Elizabeth Gresham** was born¹⁶ on 16 Jun 1626 in Titsey Surrey Co. England. She died¹⁷ on 22 Jan 1683 in Spalding, Lincoln Co. England.
Elizabeth married¹⁸ Anthony Outfield Sir on 19 Jun 1658 in St. Bride's of Fleet Street London England.
- M v. **Sir Marmaduke Gresham bart** was born on 24 Jan 1627 in Limpsfield Co. He died on 14 Apr. 1698 in Titsey Surrey Co. England.

Marmaduke married Alice Corbel on 18 Dec 1647. Alice was born in 1625. She died on 1 Sep.

1682.

TIME LINE FOR SIR EDWARD

1590 Sir Edward born at Titsey 2nd son of Sir Thomas Gresham and his wife Mary Lennard

1603 24 Mar Elizabeth I dies at Richmond Palace, Surrey age 60. Edward was about 13 at the time

1603 24 Mar James the VI of Scotland ascends the throne of England as James I.

1604 6 July Edward Gresham entered at Queen's College Oxford.

1608 Edward was admitted to the Inner Temple

1613 John Gresham born [immigrant]

1615 Thomas Gresham born

1615 19 May date of the marriage settlement to Mary Clerke/Clark daughter of Jefferie Clerke of London

1617 12 November Edward Gresham was Knighted at Theobald's He is one of the King's Body Guard . [James I]

1618 Edward Gresham born [immigrant]

1625 17 March James I dies at Hertfordshire at the age of 58

1625 27 Mar Accession of Charles I

1625 Sir Edward's wife Mary Clark died before this date

1625 Sir Edward married a 2nd time to Mary Campion b 1588, the daughter of Abraham Campion of Putney and London and his wife Helena Duffield of London

1626 15 June Elizabeth Gresham, born daughter of Sir Edward Gresham and Mary Campion

1627 24 January Marmaduke Gresham the 2nd child and 1st son of Sir Edward Gresham and Mary Campion is born.

1630 1 July Sir Thomas Gresham, father of Sir Edward Gresham died at his Manor house of Lympsfield in the county of Surrey

1632 9 Nov Thomas son of Sir Edward and Mary Clerke entered Queen's College, Oxford. This was the same college that his father attended. Thomas was 17

1635 21 August John Gresham emigrated to America

1635 2 September Edward Gresham emigrated to St Christopher's.

1639 Sir Edward's son Thomas married Margaret Brydges

1640 3 Nov Long Parliament summoned

1642 4 Jan Charles I attempts to arrest Five Members of Parliament

1643 2 Mar Battle of Lichfield Robert Greville, 2nd Baron Brooke killed

1643 Sir Edward Gresham suffers the loss of his Manor at Titsey The direct result of his support of the King.

1646 20 Jun Royalists sign articles of surrender at Oxford

1646 5 May Charles I surrenders to Scottish forces at Newark

1647 January 2 Sir Edward Gresham died on this date

1647 2 June Charles I seized at Holdenby

1649 30 January Charles I executed at age 48

1654/5 Thomas was disinherited by his father [date unknown] and died in the Fleet [prison] He was buried at St. Faith's in London on 6 January 1654/5

1658 1 October Edward Gresham, son of Sir Edward is believed to have arrived in Virginia on this date in a ship owned by Bertram Obert

1660 Charles II created Marmaduke Gresham son of Sir Edward Gresham a Baronet as a reward for the family support of the royalists. The family estates were restored.

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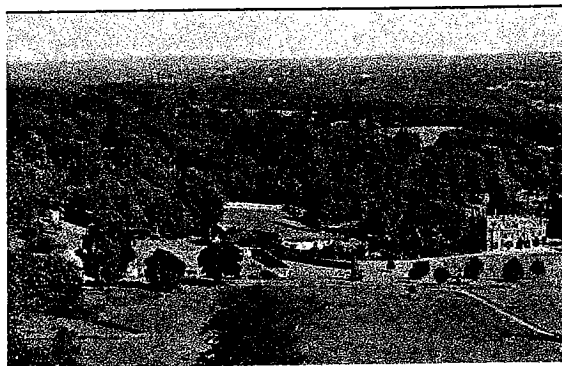
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Sir Thomas Gresham Of Titsey
Father of
Sir Edward of Titsey

[Sir William 1522, Sir John 1492, Sir John 1455, James of Holt 1420, John 1390, John 1340, Edward de Gresham 1312, Roger de Gresham 1260/1589?,
Roger de Gresham 1230/1259,
Sir Peter de Branche 1200/1229, Unknown de Branche Richard de Branche William de Branche 1170/1199,
Sir Richard de Braunche abt 1050, Sir Ralph de Braunche abt 1030]

Fifteenth Generation



1. Sir Thomas Gresham Of Titsey¹ the 4th son and he 5th child of William Gresham and Beatrice Guybonne was born² in 1561 in Titsey Surrey Co. England. He died³ on 1 Jul 1630 in Manor house of Limpsfield. He was buried⁴ on 3 Jul 1630 in the Church of Titsey. Titsey is one of the largest surviving historic estates in Surrey. It dates back to the mid-sixteenth century, though the first impression now is of a comfortable early-nineteenth century house in a picturesque park, under the North Downs which hereabouts rise to over 800feet. This well-preserved stretch of country is barely twenty miles from the centre of London. Thomas resided⁵ on 8 May 1642 in Titsey and on other estates. .

Sir Thomas Gresham b 1561] the 4th son of Sir William Gresham [b 1522] came into possession of the manorhouse at Titsey upon the death of his, mother Beatrice [d 1632] [GAWYSI Vol 16 #1 Jan 2001 pg 10]Sir Thomas married^{6,7} Mary Lennard , daughter of John Leonard of Knole, Kent and widow of Guilford Walsingham is described as residing in New Hall in 1658[Ibid pg 11] on 23 Aug 1587 in Sevenoaks Surrey Co, England. Mary was born in 1566. She died in 1620.

Sir Thomas had the following children:

- M i. **John Gresham** 1st son and 1st child of Sir Thomas and Mary Lennard was born⁸ in 1588. He died in 1643.
John married⁹ Elizabeth Bishop .
- M ii. **Sir Edward Gresham of Titsey**¹⁰ the 2nd child of Sir Thomas was born¹¹ in 1590 in Limpsfield Co.Surrey, England. He died¹² on 2 Jan 1647 He was buried¹³ on 7 Jan 1647 in Limpsfield Co. Surrey, England. [see preceeding biography]

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- Edward married¹⁴ (1) Mary Clerke or Clark . Mary died in 1626.
 DEATH: Mary Clarke died before 1636.
 Edward married¹⁵ (2) Mary Chamion or Camion in 1626. Mary born in 1588.
- M iii. **Thomas Gresham** 3rd son and 3rd child of Sir Thomas born in 1592. died in 1655.
 - F iv. **Beatrice Gresham** was born¹⁶ on 1 Jul 1593. She died in 1630.
 Beatrice married Sir Thomas Holmedon .who was born¹⁶ about 1593.
 - F v. **William Gresham** was born 26 February 1594. He died in 1596.
 - M vi. **Elizabeth Gresham** was born 15 August 1594. She died in 1633
 - F vii. **Hester Gresham** was born 26 March 1597. She died in 1637.
 - M viii. **Harry Gresham** born 25 August 1598. He died 1601 He was buried 6 Jan 1601.
 - M ix. **Leonard Gresham** was born in 1598. He died in 1599.
 - F x. **Mary Gresham** married Sir Anthony Hinton. Mary died in 1638.

TIME LINE FOR SIR THOMAS GRESHAM

1561 Thomas was born At Titsey

1563/64 Over 17,000 people die of the Plague in London alone

1575 Thomas was admitted at St. Alban's Hall, Oxford

1577 Sir Francis Drake sails around the world

1587 August 23 Thomas married at Sevenoaks To Mary Lennard, daughter of John Lennard of Knoll Chevening

1588 Birth year of John Gresham oldest child of Sir Thomas

1588 Defeat of the Spanish Armada

1590 Birth of a 2nd son and a 2nd child **Edward Gresham** is born

1592 Birth of 3rd son and 3rd child Thomas Gresham

1593 July 1 Birth of 1st daughter and 4th child Beatrice Gresham

1594 26 Feb Birth of 4th son and 5th child William Gresham

1594 August 15 Birth of 2nd daughter and 6th child Elizabeth Gresham

1596 April 12 Death of 2 year old William Gresham

1597 March 27 Birth of 3rd daughter and 7th child Hester Gresham

1598 August 15 Birth of 5th son and 8th child Harry Gresham

1599 February 5 Date of Baptism for 6th son and 9th child Leonard Gresham

1600 Wigs become fashionable at European courts about this time

1601 January Young Harry Gresham died

1603 24 march Queen Elizabeth I dies at Richmond Palace Surey James VI of Scotland becomes James I

1603 July 23 Thomas was knighted at Whitehall

1619 June 22 Marriage date for Mary Gresham the 4th daughter and 10th child of Sir Thomas

1620 December 2 Mary Lennard, wife of Sir Thomas died at Limpsfield

1620 December 7 Mary Lennard was buried at Titsey

1626 March 10 date of Sir Thomas' will

1630 June 29 A codicil was added to Sir Thomas' will the day before he died

1630 July 1 Sir thomas Gresham died at New Hall Limsfield

1630 July 3 Sir Thomas was buried at Titsey

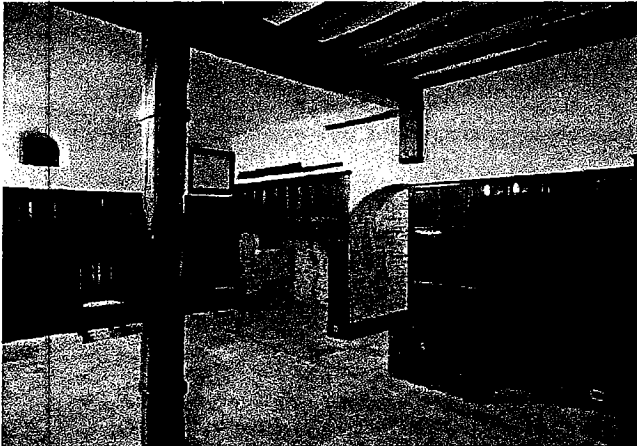
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**Sir William Gresham of Titsey
Grandfather Of
Sir Edward Gresham of Titsey**

[Sir John 1492, Sir John 1455, James of Holt 1420, John 1390, John 1340, Edward de Gresham 1312, Roger de Gresham 1260/1589?, Roger de Gresham 1230/1259, Sir Peter de Branche 1200/1229, Unknown de Braunche 1170/1199, Peter de Branche, William de Branche, Sir Richard de Braunche abt 1050, Sir Ralph de Braunche abt 1030]

Fourteenth Generation



1. **Sir William Gresham of Titsey**¹ the son of Sir John was born² on 22 Apr 1522. He died³ on 20 Jun 1578 in Limpsfield Manor Surrey England. He was buried in Titsey County Surrey.

William resided⁴ on 23 Oct 1556 in Titsey and others. He resided⁵ about 1564 in New Hall and the mansion at titsey. The former servants' hall is on the ground floor of the old wing and recalls the character of the lost Jacobean house with its beamed ceiling, large open fireplace, mullion windows, oak panelled walls and stone flagged floor

Sir William inherited the manor Titsey from his father Sir John Gresham b 1492 On his death he willed it to his wife Beatrice [d 1632] The manor went to Sir William's 2nd son, Sir Thomas Gresham ...William excepted the capital messuage and the farm there, which he then gave to his daughter, Mary [b. 1523]

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Sir William [b 1522] built the manor-house of New Hall. [Ibid pg 11]

Sir John's eldest son William inherited his father's property in and around Titsey and devoted his time to improving the estate and building a new house there. No illustration of the latter exists, as it was largely demolished in the eighteenth century, apart from one small wing at the back which was kept as servants' quarters for the present house at Titsey. [notes taken from History of Titsey on the internet]

William married **Beatrice Guybonne or Gybbon** . Beatrice was born² in King's Lynn, Norfolk Co. England. She died on 22 May 1604 in Limpsfield Manor Surrey England.

Beatrice resided⁶ in 1602 in Surrey England.

'Residence A house called Bolters or Bolthurst was held by Beatrice Gresham, On her death ub 1604 it was worth 4pds in 1602. Beatrice settled this house on Gresham Woodhouse.

Gresham Woodhouse was the son of her daughter Cicely Gresham and Sir Henry Woodhouse."

William and Beatrice had the following children:

- M i. **Sir William Gresham**⁷ was born⁸ in 1554 in Titsey Surrey Co. England. He died on 8 May 1624 in Craydon, Surrey, Co. England.
 BIOGRAPHY: .."He was the heir of his cousin , **Sir Thomas Gresham** [1519-1579], founder of the Royal Exchange. This latter passed to his founder of the Royal Ezchange. This later passed to his brother Sir thomas.. William married **Elizabeth Finch** . Elizabeth died⁸ on 4 Dec 1632 in Craydon, Surrey, Co. England.
- F ii. **Mary Gresham**⁹ was born about 1555. She died on 9 Mar 1611. She was buried on 14 Mar 1611 in Horsham.
 Mary married **John Michell** . John died on 29 Nov 1610.
- M iii. **James Gresham**¹⁰ was born about 1557. He died in 1576.
- M iv. **John Gresham**¹¹ was born about 1558. He died in 1572.
- F v. **Elizabeth Gresham**¹² was born about 1559. She died about 1603.
- F vi. **Cicely Gresham**¹³ was born¹⁴ about 1632. She died on 26 Jun 1632 in London. She was buried in Titsey and others.
 Cicely married¹⁵ **Henry Woodhouse Sir** before 1559. Henry died on 24 Feb 1625.
- M vii. **Sir Thomas Gresham Of Titsay**¹⁶ was born¹⁷ in 1561 in Titsey Surrey Co. England. He died¹⁸ on 1 Jul 1630 in Manor house of Limpsfield. He was buried¹⁹ on 3 Jul 1630 in Church of Titsey. Thomas resided²⁰ on 8 May 1642 in Titsey and others. Sir Thomas Gresham b [1561] the 2nd son of Sir William Gresham [b 1522] came into possession of the manorhouse at Titsey upon the death of his mother Beatrice [d 1632]
 [GAWYSI Vol 16 #1 Jan 2001 pg 10]
 Sir Thomas who married Mary, daughter of John Leonard of Knole, Kent and widow of Guilford Walsingham is described as residing in New Hall in 1658[Ibid pg 11]
 Thomas married^{21,22} **Mary Lennard** on 23 Aug 1587 in Sevenoaks Surrey Co,England. Mary was born in 1566. She died in 1620.

TIME LINE FOR WILLIAM GRESHAM OF TITSEY

- 1522 22April William Gresham born the oldest son of John Gresham and Mary Ipswel
- 1528 July The first outbreak of the Plague in England
- 1536 May 15 Queen Anne Bolyn and her brother, Lord Rochford are tried and found guilty of treason and icest.
- 1536 May 19 Queem Anne Bolyn is beheaded at the Tower of London SirRichardGresham was in attendance.[uncle to this William Gresham]
- 1539 24 Jan William wed Beatrice Guybonne/Gybbon, daughter of Thomas from King's Lynn county of Norfolk
- 1541 March William as admitted Lincoln's Inn
- 1554 birth of William Gresham oldest son of Sir William Gresham." It was said of him "A foole and never borne to doe himself any good' He squandered all his large landed estates.
- 1547 Edward VI only acknowledged son of Henry VIII becomes King at age 10
- 1556 23 October Death of William's father John Gresham. William falls heir to the Manor House at Titseyas well as many other lands and manors in Limpsfield and Brodeham in County Surrey.
- 1561 Thomas Gresham son of Sir William born. His biography is above. He becomes heir at the death of his brother William.
- 1564 William becomes sheriff of Surrey and Sussex
- 1569 William is a Commissioner of General Musters of County Surrey
- 1572 John Gresham son of Sir William dies
- 1576 21 May James Gresham son of Sir William dies James died unmarried
- 1577 William is again sheriff
- 1578 20 June death of William at Limpsfield. William is buried at Titsey

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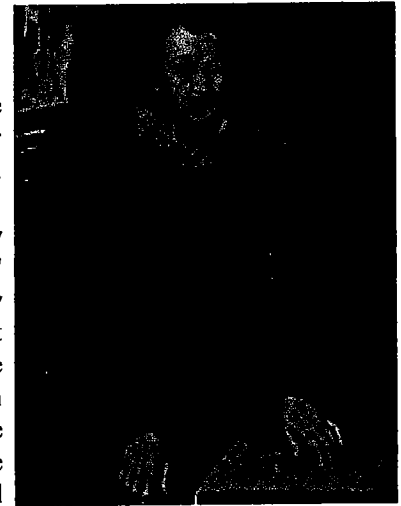
**Great grandfather of
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Thirteenth Generation

1. **Sir John Gresham of Titsey**^{1,2} the 3rd son and the 4th child of Sir John Gresham of Holt was born³ in 1492 in Holt county of Norfolk. He died on 23 Oct 1556. He was buried⁴ on 25 Oct 1556 in St Michael's Bassishaw, London. John resided^{5,6} in Titsey Place County of Surrey

The manor of Titsey was acquired in 1534 by a very young John Gresham, one-time Lord Mayor of London and a member of the most prominent merchant dynasty in Tudor England. His elder brother Richard also became Lord Mayor of London. Born at Holt in Norfolk, like Dick Whittington, the Greshams moved to London in their early teens to seek their fortunes. They were very successful. John Gresham became a member of the Mercers' Company, one of the twelve Great Livery Companies, at an early age in 1517. He was prominent in "the trade with the Middle East (spices and silks) and the Baltic (timber and skins). He founded the Russia Company, to trade with that far-off and then little-known country, an initiative which was to lead later in the century to the signing of a commercial treaty between Elizabeth I and Ivan The Terrible. He was Sheriff of London and was knighted in 1537 and became Lord Mayor in 1547.



Sir John Gresham

Like all his successful contemporaries he invested his new wealth in land, benefiting from the fluid land-market following the confiscation of church lands, and the dispersal of these and some of the old Crown estates to pay for Henry VIII's extravagant wars in France. Sir John bought the manors of Titsey, Tatsfield, Westerham, Lingfield and Sanderstead on the Kent-Surrey borders as well as other properties in Norfolk and Buckinghamshire leaving his successors a handsome estate the nucleus of which at Titsey has passed down intact to the present day. He was also a public benefactor supporting charities, providing feasts in the City, and founding and endowing Greshams School, at Holt, his birthplace, in Norfolk.

. He signed a will on 26 Nov 1556 in London. He resided 1 Jan 1546 - in Holt county of Norfolk. John married (1) **Mary Ipswell** in 1522. Mary was born in 1495. She died on 21 Sep 1538. She was buried in St Mary's Church Aldermanbury.

They had the following children:

- 2 M i. **Sir William Gresham of Titsey**⁷ was born⁸ on 22 Apr 1522. He died⁹ on 20 Jun 1578 in Limpsfield Manor Surrey England. He was buried in Titsey County Surrey. William resided¹⁰ on 23 Oct 1556 in Titsey and others. He resided¹¹ about 1564 in New Hall and the mansion at titsey. Sir William inherited the manor Titsey from

his father Sir John Gresham b 1492 On his death he willed it to his wife Beatrice [d 1632] The manor went to Sir William's 2nd son, Sir Thomas Gresham ...William excepted the capital messuage and the farm there, which he then gave to his daughter, Mary [b. 1523]{GAWYSI Vol 16 # 1 pg 10 Jan 2001}

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- F ii. **Mary Gresham** born 17 Aug 1523. marr Sir Thomas Rowe She died 18 Jan 1582.
- F iii. **Katherine Gresham** was born in May 1524. She died in 1524.
- M iv. **James Gresham** was born on 18 Jul 1526. He died before 1552.
- M v. **John Gresham** ¹³ was born¹⁴ on 14 Mar 1528. He died¹⁵ on 3 Dec 1578. He was buried¹⁶ in Sir Thomas Gresham's vault in St Helen's Bishopgate.
BIOGRAPHY: "John Gresham was a Mercer in North End Fulham, county Middlesex. Member of Parliament for Hershamm 1570.
John married¹⁸ **Elizabeth Dormer** ¹⁷ daughter of Edward Dormer Esq and Catherine Sampson Dormer on 17 Jul 1578 in St. Michael's, Bassiahaw. Elizabeth was born¹⁴ in 1528. She died¹⁴ in 1615.
- M vi. **Edmund Gresham** was born on 12 Aug 1530. He died on 31 Aug 1586. He was buried in Thorpe Market Norfolk.
- M vii. **Anthony Gresham** was born on 27 Jan 1531. He died in 1548.
- F viii. **Ellyn Gresham** was born on 21 May 1533. She died on 14 Dec 1565.
- F ix. **Ursela Gresham Leveson** was born on 21 Oct 1534. She died in Jan 1574.
- F x. **Elizabeth Gresham Sewell** was born on 19 Nov 1537. She died on 21 May 1579.
- M xi. **Richard Gresham** was born in 1538.

John married (2) **Catherine Sampson Dormer** ¹⁹ after 1538. Catherine was born in 1496. She died on 9 Jan 1576. She was buried in St Michael's Church Brassishaw.

TIME LINE FOR SIR JOHN GRESHAM

1492 Sir John is born at Holt county of Norfolk fourth son of John Gresham and Alice Blythe of Holt.

1510 John Gresham is apprenticed to John Middleton a London mercer. The same man his older brother Richard Gresham had served Richard had been admitted into the company of Mercers by the time John began his apprenticeship.

1517 John Gresham is admitted to the Company of Mercers.

1519 John Gresham was elected to the livery of the company with his elder brother William. As did his brother Richard he acted as agent for both Wolsey and Cromwell.

1522 He married Mary Ipswell before this year for their first child, William Gresham was born 21 Apr 1522.

1522 April 21 Birth of 1st son and 1st child William Gresham
Sir William [b 1522] built the manor-house of New Hall. [Ibid pg 11] Sir John's eldest son William inherited his father's property in and around Titsey and devoted his time to improving the estate and building a new house there.

1523 Aug 17 Birth of daughter Mary Gresham 1st daughter and 2nd child

1524 May birth of daughter Katherine 2nd daughter and 3rd child Kathrine died in infancy

1526 4th child James Gresham is born 18 July . James died before 1552

1528 5th child John Gresham born 14 Mar

1530 Edmund Gresham was born 12 Aug 1530 the 6th child

1531 Anthony Gresham born 27 Jan 1531 7th child
 1533 Ellyn Gresham born 21 May 1533 8th child
 1534 Ursela Gresham the 9th child is born 21 Oct 1534
 1537 Elizabeth Gresham 10th child born 19 Nov 1537
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 [The manor of Titsey was acquired in 1534 by John Gresham, one-time Lord Mayor of London and a member of the most prominent merchant dynasty in Tudor England. His elder brother Richard also became Lord Mayor of London. Born at Holt in Norfolk, like Dick Whittington, the Greshams moved to London in their early teens to seek their fortunes. They were very successful. John Gresham became a member of the Mercers' Company, one of the twelve Great Livery Companies, at an early age in 1517. He was prominent in the trade with the Middle East (spices and silks) and the Baltic (timber and skins). He founded the Russia Company, to trade with that far-off and then little-known country, an initiative which was to lead later in the century to the signing of a commercial treaty between Elizabeth I and Ivan The Terrible. He was Sheriff of London and was knighted in 1537 and became Lord Mayor in 1547....notes from Titsey Manor].
 1538 The 11th and last child is born to this couple in this year.
 1538 Sir John's 1st wife died this year perhaps in childbirth. Sometime later he remarried
 1539 January 24 Sir John's daughter Mary Gresham married at St Mary Aldermanbury to Sir Thomas Rowe, Knight of Hackney. She had seven children and died 18 January 1582
 1549 Sir John's son James is admitted of the Inner Temple
 1553 July 17 James Gresham, Sir John Gresham's son married Elizabeth Dormer, daughter of Edward Dormer Esq and his wife Katherine Dormer [who afterwards was the second wife of Sir John Gresham]
 1556 October 23 Sir John Gresham died of the sweating sickness

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THE GRESHAM EMIGRATION/IMMIGRATION

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Mary Gresham.born.... .To Maryland.1659
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CHART TWO [same data listed by date by me Phyllis]

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Sir John Gresham of Holt
Gr gr grandfather of
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Sir Richard de Braunche abt 1050, Sir Ralph de Braunche abt 1030]

Twelfth Generation

1. **Sir John Gresham of Holt** ¹ ^{1st} son and 1st child of James Gresham and Mary/ Margery Rookwood, daughter of William Rookwood of Warham County Norfolk was born² in 1455. He died³ in 1526. John spent his time between a house in London the house at Holt. All of sir John.s sons were born at the Manor house at Holt
John married **Alice Blythe** daughter of Alexander Blythe.

They had the following children:

- M i. **William Gresham** was born about 1476 in Holt county of Norfolk. He died⁴ in 1548.
William married **Ellen Bodley** ⁵. Ellen was born in 1553.
- F ii. **Margaret Gresham** was born about 1480 in Holt county of Norfolk.
- + M iii. **Richard Gresham Sir** was born in 1485 in Holt county of Norfolk. He died on 21 Feb 1548 in Bethnal Green. He was buried on 24 Feb 1548 in St Lawrence Jewery London. [Sir Richard is the father of Sir Thomas Gresham founder of Gresham College and the Royal Exchange. See the biographies for both below.]
Richard married (1) **Audrey Lynn** before 1515. Audrey was born about 1490 in Southwick county Northamshire. She died on 28 Dec 1522 in Bethnal Green. She was buried in St Lawrence Jewery London.
Richard married (2) **Isabella Worpfall Taverson** after 1522. Isabella was born in 1504. She died on 18 Apr 1565. She was buried in St Lawrence Jewery London.
- M iv. **Sir John Gresham of Titsey** ^{6,7} was born⁸ in 1492 in Holt county of Norfolk. He died on 23 Oct 1556. He was buried⁹ on 25 Oct 1556 in St Michael's Bassishaw, London.
John resided^{10,11} at Titsey Place County of Surrey. He signed a will on 26 Nov 1556 in London. He resided 1 Jan 1546 - in Holt county of Norfolk.
John married (1) **Mary Ipswell** in 1522. Mary was born in 1495. She died on 21 Sep 1538. She was buried in St Mary's Church Aldermanbury.
John married (2) **Catherine Sampson Dormer** ¹² after 1538. Catherine was born in 1496. She died on 9 Jan 1576. She was buried in St Michael's Chyrch Brassishaw.

M v. Thomas Gresham was born in 1519 in Holt county of Norfolk. He died in 1579 in London.

Time Line for John Gresham of Holt

- 1422-1461** Henry VI is King when John Gresham is born at Holt.
1455 John Gresham born at Holt
- 1455 May 22** Capture of Henry VI by Richard of York start of the War of the Roses
1459 Turks conquer Serbia beginning of troubles existing to this day
- 1461-1470** Edward IV
1470-1471 Henry VI
1471-1483 Edward IV
1474 Dec 13 Ferdinand and Isabella reign in Castile
- 1482** or earlier John Gresham married Alice Blythe
1483 William Gresham oldest son is born at Holt oldest son of John Gresham
- 1483-1485** Richard III
1485-1509 Henry VII
- 1490** Richard Gresham 2nd son is born at Holt to John Gresham
1490+ Thomas Gresham 3rd son is born date unknown
1490+ Margaret Gresham daughter who married Henry King date of birth unknown
1492 Sir John Gresham born 1492 in Holt County Norfolk. Sir John's biography above
1509-1547 Henry VIII
1526 John Gresham gr gr grandfather of Sir Edward of Titsey dies

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Eleventh Generation

1. **James Gresham** the son of John Gresham was born¹ in 1420 in Holt Norfolk County U. K.
He died in 1497 in Holt Norfolk County U. K James resided² in 1414 in Holt Norfolk Co. U. K
He lived 1 Jan 1442 - 1 Jan 1460 in East Beckham, Norfolk.

HISTORY:

Henry V 1413-1422.....The reign of Henry V began about seven years before James Gresham was born. Henry was 25 when he became King. There were plots against him but Henry was deep into war by 1415 when in October of that year he fought the Battle of Agincourt. Here the French lost many a mounted knight, around 6000. Henry lost about 800 foot soldiers. These sturdy yeomen were armed with the long bow and wooden staves planted in the ground and pointing outward so to stab the horse upon which the knight would have been riding.

Henry VI 1422-1461.....In 1446 Henry VI was the only son of Henry V

Edward IV 1461-1470... was of the House of York. He didn't have an easy time of it.

Henry VI 1470-1471.....committed to the Tower of London where he died

Edward IV 1471-1483. Grandson of Richard, was the son of Edmund fifth son of Edward III.

Richard III 1483 - 1485.....much maligned. Killed at the Battle of Bosworth Field.

LOCALE: The Manor House at Holt remained in the family until Sir John Gresham in 1555 founded the **Gresham School** by converting the Manor House which was located in the center of Holt. This then was the main residence of the family for over a hundred years 1414 - 1555.

GAWYSI: Vol II No 3 July 1996 page 86 "James born ca 1420 - died ca 1497, son of James Gresham of Holt was the first member of the family to achieve importance. In 1442, he became Lord of the Manor of East Beckham in Norfolk, but after the death of his father, he made his father's house in Holt his chief seat." James Gresham was a cousin and clerk to **William Paston**, [1378 - 1444]. One of the justices of the Common Pleas. known as 'the good judge', and to his son John Paston [1421 - 1466]. **THE PASTON LETTERS** are among the earliest written manuscripts that are extant. a number of them carry James' signature.

James married (1) **Maragret Billingford** .

They had the following children:

- M i. **Sir John Gresham of Holt** ³ was born⁴ in 1455. He died⁵ in 1526.
John married **Alice Blythe** daughter of Alexander Blythe.
- M ii. **William Gresham** ⁶ was born⁷ in 1476. He died⁸ in 1548.

James married (2) **Mary Rockwood** ⁹ .

They had the following children:

- M iii. **William Gresham** ¹⁰ .
- F iv. **Susan Gresham** ¹¹ .

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John Gresham Of Holt
Gr gr gr gr grandfather of
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Sir Ralph de Braunche abt 1030]

Tenth Generation

1. **John Gresham** the son of John Gresham was born¹ in 1390. He died² in 1450.

1390 John Gresham is born

1399 End of the reign of: Richard II 1377-1399 It would appear that this John Gresham was about nine years old when Richard II is deposed

1399 Henry IV 1399-1413 Henry is made King

1412 6 January Joan D'Arc is born in Domremy-la-Pucelle Vaucouleurs, France John Gresham would be 22 years old.

1413 Henry IV dies and is succeeded by Henry V 1413-1422

1415 19 August Henry V and an English force of about 10,000 lay siege to Harfleur

22 Sept Harfleur surrenders to the English

25 Oct Henry V and the English defeat the French at the Battle of Agincourt. This battle pitted the English longbow against the well armoured and mounted French Army.

1422 Henry V dies And Henry VI 1422-1461 is crowned

1450 John Gresham, the Younger dies

GAWYSI: Vol II No 3 July 1996 John Gresham the Younger - born ca 1390 - died ca 1450 son of John Gresham. By 1414 John Gresham the Younger had settled in Holt. It has been suggested that he became the priory's teneant of the manor house there but the court rolls of the manor between 1433 and 1401 gives no evidence to support tenancy during that period."

John had the following children:

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James resided⁴ in 1414 in Holt Norfolk County U. K.. He resided 1 Jan 1442 - 1 Jan 1460 in East Beckhan, Norfolk County U. K..
James married (1) **Maragret Billingford** .
James married (2) **Mary Rockwood** ⁵ .

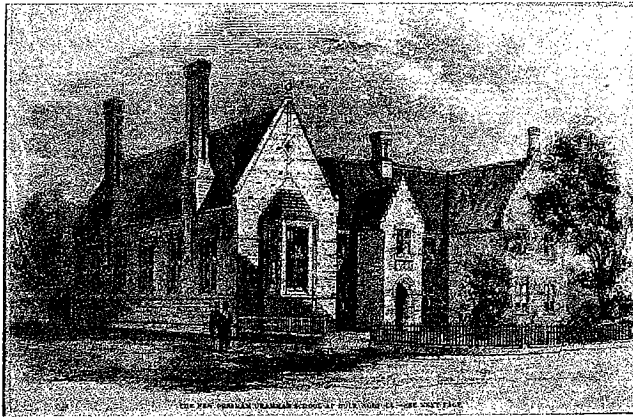
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John Gresham Of Aylmerton and Holt
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Sir Edward Gresham of Titsey

[Edward de Gresham 1312, Roger de Gresham 1260/1589?, Roger de Gresham 1230/1259,
Sir Peter de Branche 1200/1229, Unknown de Braunche 1170/1199,
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Ninth Generation



[The manor house at Holt]

1. **John Gresham** the son of Edward de Gresham was born¹ in 1340 in Aylmerton Norfolk County. He died² in 1410 in Aylmerton Norfolk county. John resided in 1340 in Aylmerton Norfolk county. He also resided³ in 1395 in Holt county of Norfolk.

HISTORY: Edward III 1327-1377 " During John's lifetime, Edward III reigned and the long struggle with France which was called the Hunded Years' War, began. The war was brought to a temporary halt in 1348 when the Black Death swept over Western Europe and more than a fourth of England's population perished. Whole villages were wiped out, and great area of farmland went to weeds."

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Richard II 1377-1399 " Richard II grandson of Edward III became King in 1377 at the age of 10. His cousin Henry Duke of Lancaster, led a revolt against him in 1399. Then imprisoned Richard II in the Tower of London and compelled him to abdicate." GAWYSI ibid
Henry IV 1399-1413

GAWYSI: vol 11 No 3 Apr 1996 pp 85 - 86 "John Gresham - born in 1340 - died ca 1410. son of Edward Gresham of **GRESHAM and AYL MERTON**In 1397 the following record was found: "Fine between John Aylmer and Helewise his wife, John son of Edward Gresham. John Gresham and others of lands in Aylmerton, GRESHam, and other townns, where by they were settled on Helewise for life, remainder to John, son of Edward Gresham intail" [fines of Land, Norf Hil. 39 ED III, f. 3b,]

BURIAL: The exact burial place for John Gresham b 1340 is but a guess. It is John's great grand father Roger who took the name of de Gresham. Evidently he removed from his father's

holdings to Aylmerton leaving his brother Nicholas de Branche perhaps with the entailed lands in Gresham. If this be so, then, it is around this period that direct connection with the village of Gresham ceases to exist for this segment of the family. John may or may not have moved to Holt. However he did have an interest in the manor house there.

MARRIAGE: John married Margaret

John Gresham and Margaret had the following children:

- M i. **John Gresham** was born⁴ in 1390. He died⁵ in 1450.
 John resided in 1414 in Holt Norfolk County U. K..
 John married **Unknown** .

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Edward de Gresham of Aylmerton
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Eighth Generation

1. **Edward de Gresham** was born in 1312 in Aylmerton Norfolk county. He died in 1377. At this late date the family is still using the French nomenclature i.e. "de Gresham".. Edward is but the 3rd generation to use the surname Gresham. Up until the days of his grandfather Roger b 1230, the family was known by their French name, de Braunche.

Edward resided about 1313 in Aylmerton, Co of Norfolk.

HISTORY:

1307 End of the reign of Edward I was an able administrator. He was also a good soldier. He had gone on Crusade before he became King He is also the King who first summoned others than the Lords to meet with him. This is the King who first named his oldest son, Prince of Wales

.Edward, Prince of Wales became Edward 11 in 1307 to 1327 Perhaps the most ill famed king of them all. His reign ended with his murder.

1312 Edward de Gresham is born most likely at Aylmerton
Death of Edward II Reign of Edward III begins. Edward 11 1327 to 1377

1377 Death of Edward de Gresham as well as the death of Edward III

GAWYSI: vol 11 No 2 Apr 1996 Page 49 "Edward de Gresham - born ca 1312 died about 1377. He lived in the town of Aylmerton County of Norfolk. Edward de Gresham married and had issue.

Edward had the following children:

- M i. **John Gresham** was born¹ in 1340 in Aylmerton Norfolk county. He died² in 1410 in Aylmerton Norfolk county.
John resided in 1340 in Aylmerton Norfolk county. He resided³ in 1395 in Holt county of Norfolk. **MARRIAGE:** John Gresham married Margaret and had issue.

1-3. Carol Grisham Byrom, GAWYSI VOL 11 #3 JULY 1996 pAGES 85-86, 16 May 2000. .

Roger de Gresham of Bloomfield
Son of Roger de Gresham of Marriage Priory York

7th great grandfather of
Sir Edward of Titsey

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Sir Ralph de Braunche abt 1030]

seventh Generation

1. **Roger de Gresham** the son of Roger de Gresham was born in 1260/1289.

HISTORY: Henry III 1216-1272

Edward I 1272-1307 Edward was King when both William Wallace and Robert the Bruce were attempting to control Scotland.

1265 The very first parliament was held.

1270 The beginning of the Eighth and last Crusade to the Holy Land. Roger would have been abt 10 years old at this time. In all likelihood some member of his family would have been engaged in this endeavor as well as the seven crusades that preceded it. This jaunt to the Holy Land began in the 11th Century and ended in the 13th.

1301 The first king's son is named Prince of Wales

1301 The King's Stone of Scotland or as it was called **The Stone of Scone** was stolen and placed under the throne of the English King. It was not returned to Scotland until 1966.

GAWYSI: Vol 11 No 2 Apr 1996 Page 49 "Roger was living in 1313 [Bloomfield, Norfolk ix. 368] Roger de Gresham married and had issue."

Roger had the following children:

- 2 M i. **John de Gresham** was born¹ about 1310. He died² about 1410.

HISTORY: "Edward III was reigning at the time Edward de Gresham became the father of John de Gresham [ca 1340-1410]I have added a brother for Edward. It is because the MISCELLANEA GENEALOGICA et HERALDICA and the GENEALOGICAL MEMORANDA RELATING TO THE FAMILY OF GRESHAM by Granville Levensen-Gower both mention the following information for a John de Gresham.

1339 - John de Gresham instituted Vicar of Bodenham, County of Norfolk.

1339 - John de Gresham, one of the executors of Sir John de Mauteby of Mawtby, Co of Norfolk. Will proved 18 Dec 1403 [Betham's Baronets, iii, 324.]

1374 - John de Gresham of Bodham held lands in the town of Berningham of Roger Talour's manor there. [Fines, Norf. 48 Ed, III, L. 7, No. 53]

1410 - death date for John de Gresham

1420- 4 Nov 1420 John Gresham Vicar of Hornyng. Will dated 4, proved at Norwich 18 Nov 1420

1427 - John Gresham, Vicar of Ardley, co of Essex. Resigned Oct 1427

1470 - 1 June 1470 Thomas Gresham, Citizen and Hatter of London by his will [Wilde, cxv.b] directs all his lands

in Gresham, co of Norfolk to be sold and the money to be bestowed for his soul.

1495 - John Picto alias Gresham, Vicar of St Andrew's Buston Doic Norwich. Will dated 1 Oct.1495, proved at Norwick 14 June 1498 .

HISTORY: Neither of the above mentioned publications shows that this line was the line of Gresham who went to Holt, so I will not include them in our line. [" think they were from a John de Gresham born ca 1310 a brother of Edward...he line becomes a little unclear between Edward de Gresham and his son John Gresham. Were there actually two John Greshams between Edward and James? I believe there must have been...if you look at the dates of their assumed birth and deaths. There could have been three, but I am showing two." This quotation is found in GAWYSI vol II No 3 July 996 Page 85.

{NOTE : Since it would appear that this line of Greshams is made up of clergy, they may have begun as the younger son. Younger sons, in those days were prone to join the church since they did not usually inherit any living from their fathers.....ed)

John married **Unknown** unknown.

- 3 M ii. **Edward de Gresham** was born in 1312 in Aylmerton Norfolk county. He died in 1377.
Edward resided about 1313 in Aylmerton, Co of Norfolk.

Edward married **Unknown** .

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1. Carol Grisham Byrom, GAWYSI VOL 11 #3 JULY 1996 PAGES 85-86, 16 May 2000. "John was the first of his family to be associated with the small market town of Holt." The Manor House at Holt continued in the family until 1546 when the then Sir John created a school at the site. This is a confusing line.
2. Carol Grisham Byrom, GAWYSI VOL 11 #3 JULY 1996 PAGES 85-86, 15 May 2

Roger de Gresham of Marriage Priory York
Son of Peter de Branche of Gresham
8th great grandfather of
Sir Edward of Titsey

[Sir Peter de Branche 1200/1229, Unknown de Braunche 1170/1199,
Richard de Branche 1140, William de Branche 1070 Sir Richard de Braunche abt 1050,
Sir Ralph de Braunche abt 1030]

Sixth Generation

1. **Roger de Gresham** the son of Sir Peter de Braunhe was born in 1230-1269 in Gresham County of Norfolk U. K..

Roger resided in Gresham Co of Norfolk U. K..

HISTORY: King Henry III 1216 to 1272

GAWYSI: Vol 11 No 2 Apr 1996 Page 49 "Roger Grissom, his decendent [Sir Peter de Branche] was a benefactor [with his wife] to Marriae Prory, York. He married and had issue." ibid Page 48 ".....he [Sir Peter de Braunche had two sons, Nicholas and Roger. Nicholas retains the name **de Branche** and Roger assumes the name **de Greaham**.. Pause here a moment and consider this ancestor. If he had not taken the name Gresham for a surname, in all probability you would be a member of the Branch family. How it came about is lost to us. We can only surmise. One thing though, Sir Peter de Braunche seems like a very kindly man. In those days, only one son inherited the family lands. Younger sons usually went into the priesthood. Here we have a father who chose to provide wealth for more than one son. IT would seem that Nicholas de Braunche was the elder of the two. He retains the ancient family name. Our Roger assumes the name of one of the de Braunche holdings, that of Grissom. Perhaps all the other holdings were retained by Nicholas. More research on this division needs to be done.

Roger had the following child:

- M i. **Roger de Gresham** was born in 1260/1289.

HISTORY: Henry III 1216-1272

Edward I 1272-1307 Edward was King when both William Wallace and Robert the Bruce were attempting to control Scotland.

GAWYSI: Vol 11 No 2 Apr 1996 Page 49 "Roger was living in 1313 [Bloomfield, Norfolk ix. 368] Roger de Gresham married and had issue."

Roger married **Unknown** .

Sir Peter de Branche of Gresham

Son of

Sir Unknown de Braunche

9th great grandfather of

Sir Edward of Titsey

[Unknown de Braunche 1170/1199, Richard de Branche 1140, William de Braunche 1070
Sir Richard de Braunche abt 1050, Sir Ralph de Braunche abt 1030]

Fifth Generation

1. **Sir Peter de Branche** the son of Sir Unknown de Braunche was born abt 1200/1229
Peter resided in 1241 in Gresham Co. of Norfolk U. K.. These men are warriors and still are versed
in the French language. The Crusades are still operating. the Eighth Crusade will continue until at
least 1272. Some one or more members of this family will be engaged in these attempts to free the
Holy Land. the One Hundred Years War looms just ahead.

HISTORY: King John 1199 to 1216

HISTORY: King Henry III 1216 to 1272

HISTORY: It is this Peter de Gresham's sons who take separate surnames. One will continue
the **Branche** line and the other will take the place name of **Gresham**. They will both keep the
same coat of arms. ed

GAWYSI: vol 11 No 2 Apr 1996 Page 49 " Peter de Branche (knight)- born unknown - held
Gresham and Aylmorton Norfolk County by the service of two fees from Earl Warrenne and
1241 had a writ of summons to pass into France and had a grant of market, fair and free
warren. He married and had issue." It would appear that this family was early into trading. Sir
Peter must have owned ships. it seems improbable that he would be establishing trade using
some one else's mode of transportation

Peter had the following children:

M i **Roger de Gresham** was born in 1230/1259 in Gresham co of Norfolk
Roger resided in Gresham co of Norfolk .. Roger married **Unknown**

M ii **Nicholas de Braunche** was born abt 1230/1256. It is not known
which of these two is the eldest. Nicholas is most likely the elder.

Sir unknown de Branche of Gresham
Son Of
Sir Richard de Braunche
10th Great Grandfather Of
Sir Edward of Titsey

Sir Richard de Branche 1140, Sir William de Branche 1070, Sir Richard de Braunche abt 1050,
Sir Ralph de Braunche abt 103]

Fourth Generation

1. **Sir unknown de Branche** the son of Sir Richard de Branche was born in 1170/1199. Evidently he lived in Gresham County of Norfolk. No record has been found for this ancestor Sir Unknown
resided in Gresham co of Norfolk U. K..

HISTORY: Henry II 1154 to 1189

1170 Birth of Unknown de Braunche [est]

Richard de Braunche [knight] - born unknown - Henry II confirmed to Castle Acre Priory the tithes of his lordship GRESHAM which had been granted to his ancestors? [Henry II was king from 1154 - 1189 so this grant was made during this time period. this Richard de Braunche would be the father of Sir Unknown de braunche [see below]

1189 Death of Henry II Son Richard King

Richard I upon the death of his father, Henry II Richard goes off on the Third Crusade. He leaves his mother Eleanor and brother John in charge of affairs in England. would Sir Unknown have rattled off the Holy Land with Richard? Surely members of this family took part in one or more of these crusades.

1189 Richard I or Richard the Lion Hearted is now King

1199 Death of Richard the Lion Hearted

John becomes king in his own right. This John is the King found in the stories of Robin Hood. He is also the King who signed the Magna Charta.

HISTORY: Richard I 1186 to 1199

Sir Unknown had the following children:

- 2 M i. **Sir Peter de Branche** was born in 1200/1229.
Peter married

Sir Richard de Branche of Gresham

Son Of

Sir William de Braunche

12th Great Grandfather Of

Sir Edward Of Titsey

[Sir William de Branche 1070, Sir Richard de Braunche abt 1050,
Sir Ralph de Braunche abt 1030]

Third Generation

1. **Sir Richard de Branche** the son of William de Braunche was born in 1140/1169.

Richard resided in 1200 in Gresham co of Norfolk U. K.. GAWYSI: Vol 11 No2 Apr 1996 Page 49
"Richard de Branche (knight) born unknown - Henry II confirmed to Castle Acre Priory the tithes
of his lorship of Gresham which had been granted to his ancestors. he was one of four knights
summoned in 1200 to select 12 knights for the great assize, Norfolk [RCR,ii]

1135 to 1154 Stephen's reign was one of great upheavel. He more or less stole the crown
from the Empress Maude who by rights should have been the ruling queen. She invaded
England and fought many a battle against Stephen. The quarrell was raged up and down and
all around England.Sometimes Matilda or Maude as she was called, won and sometimes
Stephen won. England was torn asunder. **The Brother Cadfael Chronicles** written by Edith
Pargeter are set in this tumultuos time. Maud's son Heney finally struck a bargain with
Stephen, If the warring would cease, Henry could rule ater Henry;...and so it happened..

1154 Death of Stephen, Henry Crowned Henry Plantagenet, son of Empress Maude,
grandson of Henry I is king. This is the beginning of the House of Plantagenet.

1165 WALTER DE BRAUNCHE

Walter holds "the Norman estate of half a knight's fee in capite in the balifry of Caux"¹¹ There
is no further record of this Walter. He may have removed to Normandy and stayed there..
Later we learn that Sir Peter b abt 1200 is granted trading prevledges with France. With
kinsmen already in France, it would seem they had an ideal set up for carrying on trade.

1170 Birth of Unknown de Braunche [est]

1189 Death of Henry II Son Richard King

Richard I upon the death of his father, Henry II Richard goes off on the Third Crusade. He
leaves his mother Eleanor and brother John in charge of affairs in England

Richard had the following children:

- 2 M i. **unknown de Branche** was born in 1170/1199.
unknown resided in Gresham Co of Norfolk U. K.

William de Braunche of Gresham
Son of
Sir Richard de Braunche
13th Great grandfather of
Sir Edward of Titsay

[Sir Richard de Braunche abt 1050, Sir Ralph de Braunche abt 1030]

Second Generation

1. **William de Braunche**¹ a son of Sir Richard de Braunche was born² about 1070. William de Braunche's birth date is unknown. It must likely be somewhere between 1050 and 1109. If this is the case, he was living during the reigns of William the Conqueror and that of William II. William II was the son of William the Conqueror. Robert, his brother, was the oldest son. William I gave Normandy to Robert, his oldest son, and England to William, known as William Rufus, because of his red hair. William II was shot by an arrow in 1080, some tales suggest his younger brother had a hand in this accident. The younger brother was Henry. Henry became Henry I. He ruled from 1080 to 1135.

1071 Defeat of Hereward the Wake

When William defeated Hereward in East Anglia, he put an end to Saxon resistance throughout England. Again, William de Warrenne played a part in this campaign. In all likelihood, the de Braunche were in his entourage. [Hereward Victor Head]

1078 The White Tower begun Some hundred years down the line, there will be a Gresham involved with this tower when Queen Anne Boleyn loses her head. William would be a lad, most likely a page. Legend has it that the castle at Gresham was a square tower much like the White Tower or as it is commonly called The Tower of London.

1085 The Domesday Book

William orders a survey of the shires of England. "The Domesday book lists the village of GRESHAM as in the county of Norfolk. It was given to William de Warrenne with other land in the county of Norfolk . . . The Norman family of Braunche whose estates lay in the Caux, accompanied William de Warrenne to England 1066, where Ralph Braunche received a grant of two knights' fees, of which GRESHAM was the chief seat . . ." [GAWYSI v11 #2 '96 p47]

1086 Domesday Book completed

1087 Death of William I

William died in Normandy. He left that duchy to his eldest son, Robert, and England to his next surviving son, William Rufus. Ralph de Braunche would have been about 57 years old. His son Richard de Braunche might have been in his thirties and married. Richard had at least two sons, William and Walter de Braunche.

1087 William II becomes King. 1087 - 110

William de Braunche had the following children:

- 2 M i. **Sir Richard de Branche** was born in 1140/1169.

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2. Roger A. Gresham, GRASSROOTS.

Richard de Braunche of Gresham
Son of Ralph de Braunche
14th Great grandfather of
Sir Edward of Titsey

[Ralph de Braunche1030]

First Generation

1. **Richard de Braunche** the son of Ralph de Brauche was born¹ about 1050. He was born in Normandy.at Pays de Caux. This is a section of Normandy north of the river Seine. Richard resided² in 1066 in Gresham Co of Norfolk U. K..

HISTORY: William I was King from 1066 through 1087. His reign extended over Richard's lifespan,

MARRIAGE: In all likelihood Richard married on the continent. His marriage would be settled for him by his father.

LOCALE: A description of Gresham as it is described by a local resident 8 Mar 2000

"Gresham is a pleasant Unspoilt village in our favorite part of the country, virtually all of which is classified as an AREA OF OUTSTENADING NATURAL BEAUTY, including about 35 miles of wonderful coastline with good runs of sandy beaches, much appreciated by residents and visitors alike. We are four or five miles from Sheringham and Cromer. The countryside near Gresham is undulating and well wooded, making it excellent for walking and cycling. The beaches and marshes and cliff tops all add interest, the cliffs themselves at West Runton are for geologists, the ancient fossilised elephant having been found here-but he/she? now resides in the Castle Museum in Norwich. [<http://www.broadland.com/selfcate/holt/littlepl.html>]

GAWYSI: page 47 " ibid Ralph and his son Richard occur in the charters of Walsingham Abbey."

Richard de Braunche had the following children:

- M i. **William de Braunche**³ was born⁴ about 1070. William appears above William married **Unknown** .
- M ii **Walter de Branche** was born in 1079/1118. He was buried in Normandy Walter resided in 1165 in **Pays de Caux Normandy**. His line is not traced

LOCALE: 1165 Walter de Branche, son of Richard de Branche and grandson of Ralph de Branche...,"held the Norman estate of half a knight's fee in capite in the bailiury of Caux." [GAWYSI Vol 11 No 2 Apr 1996 page 47][Perhaps this indicates that the not all the family stayed in England. [It would appear that the family continued to have interests in their former homeland. Those who remained in Normandy retained the de Braunche sur name while the English branch would eventually divide into two parts, one brother retaining the Branch name and the other taking the name of the chief holding of de Gresham. ed]

HISTORY: At present no further information regarding Walter de Branche is in hand.If Walter is of the third generation of note and holds a Norman estate in 1165. , then some idea of the timespan for these individuals can be devised

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Sir Ralph de Braunche of Gresham
Liege-man of
Earl William de Warren

1. **Sir Ralph de Braunche** ¹ was born² about 1030 in Normandy. He was christened in Normandy. Ralph lived in Normandy in 1066... He moved³ to Gresham in the County Norfolk. His residence⁴ in Normandy was in the area of Pays de Caux..

BIRTH: In order for Ralph de Branche to have a son old enough to serve with him as liege to William de Warrenne, later Earl of Surrey, Ralph of necessity needs to be born about 1030. He would have been born sometime between 1030-1049. The exact date is more than difficult to estimate. If the date 1030 is used, Ralph de Braunche would have been abt 36. That date makes him abt the same age as William Duke of Normandy. If his son was born about 1050, he would have been 16 at the time of the invasion.

CHRISTENING: Christening for Ralph de Branche is a fore gone conclusion. He was born into a very christian world. It is safe to assume that all children of that era were baptised as infants. If his father was a knight before him, the rite might have been preformed in the chapel belonging to household of his liege lord. It is assumed that William de Warren 1st Earl of Surrey is his liege lord.

BIOGRAPHY: "born before 1066 and accompanied William de Warrenne to England in 1066. (at the time of the Norman Conquest). He received a grant of two knights' fees of which GRESHAM was the chief seat. Ralph and his son Richard occur in the charters of Walsingham Abbey. Ralph married (unknown) and had issue."

[GAWYSI vol 11#2 April 1996 pages 48-49]

!"The Norman family of Branche whose estates lay in the Caux, accompanied William de Warrenne to England 1066 where Ralph Branche received a grant of two knights' fees of which Gresham was the chief seat. [ibid page 47]

In those days a knight was a more or less unpaid mounted soldier. He owed alliegence to his lord. His lord held sway over a certain territory. He in turn owed service to a gentleman who had several lesser lords in his domain. This chain began with the king through his overlords down to the knight who had a holding called a fief. The knight would not have many vassals. Ralph de Branche was a knight. His fief was called Braunche. His overlord was William de Warrenne. On Ralph's land,, there would be serfs who worked the land and served Ralph's household. His overlord, William de Warrenne held a position in William of Normandy's train that today would be recognized as a general of the army. In the Conqueror's company there were few men of the rank of "general" but there were many a thousand knights such as Ralph.

HISTORY:

1027 William I of England is born. He is the illegitimate son of **Robert of Normandy** and Arlete Conteville

1030 estimated birth date for **Ralph de Braunche**

1035 "WILLIAM I. William inherited his father's duchy in 1035." William seems to have won every battle in which he was engaged. He believed he was to inherit the throne of Edward the Confessor of England. When that did not happen, William decided to invade the country and take over. This is exactly what he did. William reigned from 1066 to 1087

1050 William I married Matilda of Flanders at the cathedral of Notre Dame d'Eu Normandy. Matilda was the mother of 10 children this is also the date estimated for the birth of Ralph de braunche's son Robert

LOCALE Ralph's new home land was the mirror image of his old. The Pays de Caux in Normady was located on the north side of the Seine estuary. The land grant of Gresham in Norfolk was on the southside of the estuary called **the Wash**. The first faced west and the Atlantic Ocean. The second looked east and the North Sea. Thus in effect the Gresham site mirroring the Normady site. **Raloh**

would not abandon his home in Normandy. He now had a home back on the continent and his new manors in Norfolk.

According to GAWYSI Vol 11 No2 April 1996 page 47 " GRESHAM OR BRANCHE The Norman family of Branche whose estates lay in the Caux accompanied William, de Warrenne to England 1066 where Ralph Branche receive a grant of two knights' fees, of which GRESHAM was the chief seat....." the granting of a knight's fee was more like being presented with a lease on a piece of property for which rent would have to be paid. In the case of a knight's fee, the property came with serf's and villens attached. these folk were the main stay of the property.

EDUCATION:

Whatever Education was afforded Ralph. It can be assumed that he did not speak English. He would have been fluent in French. It may have been his only language although he most likely was also tutored in Latin. He would have been primarily schooled in the art of war.

MARRIAGE:

Marriages in that time and place were usually arraigned by the parents of the two yough people involved. No consideration was usually given to the idea of being in love with one another. Sexual attraction could and did exist outside the marriage, hence such notables as William the bastard and the conqueror one and the same.

In all likelyhood Richard married on the continent. An interesting note on the state of marriages at this time is found in the book **Hereward** by Victor Head Page 19 " At this time certain Norman women consumed by fierce lust sent message after message to their husbands urging them to return at once, and adding that unless they did so with all speed, they would take other husbands for themselves.words of Orderic ,,, "

[It could not have been easy to have been left behind in Normandy and since the Normans were mostly an occupying power, the wives more than likely were left behind for a rather long time.]

Ralph had the following child

- M i. **Richard de Braunche** was born⁵ about 1050.
Richard resided⁶ in 1066 in Gresham co of Norfolk U. K..
Richard married **Unknown** .

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[4] OTHER DOCUMENTATION

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Editorials and Comments

Sir Thomas Gresham, son of Sir Richard was born in 1519 and was educated at Gonville Hall, Cambridge and Caius College, was apprenticed to his uncle John Gresham as a merchant; was admitted to Mercers Association in 1543 and represented the King at Antwerp in 1551. Sir Thomas was dismissed by Queen Mary, a champion of the Holy Catholic Church, but was quickly reinstated by her and served as a diplomat with great distinction. Thomas restored the debased currency of the nation, negotiated important loans and introduced many financial reforms in the government. He was ambassador to the Netherlands and was knighted by Queen Elizabeth.

Sir Thomas married Anne Fernely, a widow and had one son, Richard who died in 1564 at the age of twenty. In memory of his son, Sir Thomas, established the Brouse, or Royal Exchange, and Eight Alms House. Thomas, in a letter from Antwerp, dated 18 January, 1553, mentions his "power wife and children", but with the exception of a natural daughter, Anne, the name of no other child has been recorded. This daughter, whose mother is said to have been a native of Bruges, was well educated by Sir Thomas, and brought up in his family, and afterwards married to Sir Nathaniel Bacon.

Before his death in 1579, Thomas had acquired much land and property and in recognition for his services the Queen (Elizabeth) bestowed on him at different times, a Priory, a Rectory, and several Manors and Advowsons.

In his will, Thomas gave his home in London, to be used as an institution of Scientific advancement and to be known as **GRESHAM COLLEGE**. This College was burned down and rebuilt twice since its establishment. The present structure built in 1843 stands at the corner of Basinghall and Gresham Streets.

Thomas Gresham, Richmond, Virginia (1923), in his book unites John Gresham, the emigrant to Maryland and Edward Gresham, the emigrant to Virginia as brother to Sir Marmaduke Gresham, Baronet 1660, seated in Limpsfield, country of Surrey, England.

In 1801 the Barony became extinct, there being no direct heir in line from the sixth generation. The only living descendants in the male line were living in Virginia.

Apparently no claim was ever made for the line of succession. Title to the lands and property passed to William Leveson-Gower, son of Catherine Maria Gresham, married to William Leveson-Gower, Esq., of Titsey Park. She was the daughter of John Gresham, Baron, who died September 20, 1801.

The Gresham Genealogy by Granville Leveson-Gower, grandson of William, does not mention any of the Greshams in America. Apparently he was not interested in finding any of his American cousins who might lay claim to his Titles. *The information on the Gresham Family of England was taken from a book by Thomas Gresham of Richmond, Va. published in December 1923, entitled **THE GRESHAM FAMILY from EDWARD GRESHAM ENGLAND, 1312-1400 TO THOMAS GRESHAM VIRGINIA, 1923**.

And from

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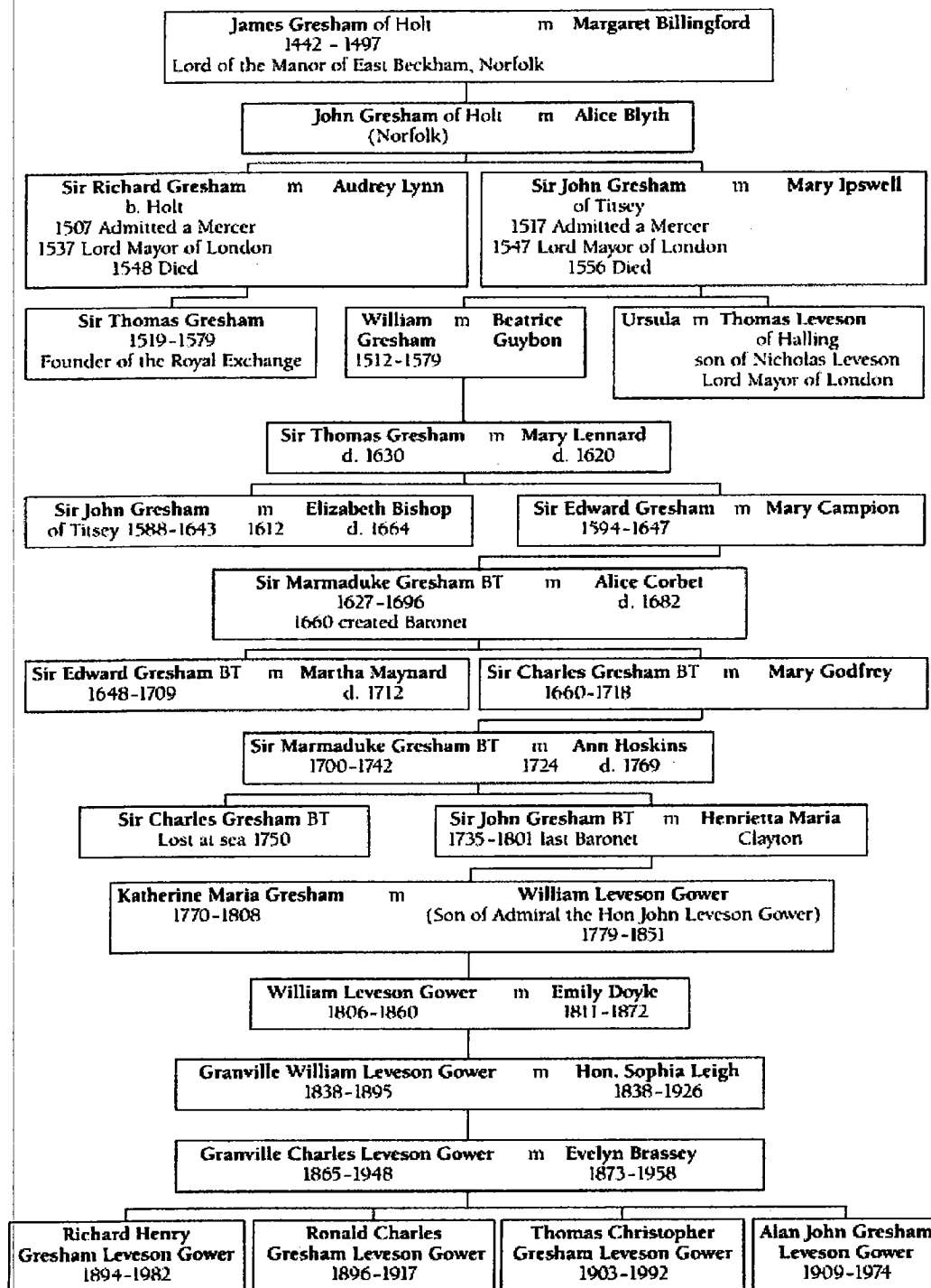
Nugent's Cavaliers and Pioneers

EDWARD GRESHAM 1. P #370 - Robert Jones 500 acres, New Kent Co., Va. 14 Oct 1658, north side of Mattaponi River, beginning at land of John Exoll on north side of a band of Peanketanke S. W. for transport of 10 persons. Assigned to Rowland Williams, who assigned to Edward Gresham in whose name it was renewed 18 Mar 1662.

2. Compendium of American Genealogy, First Families of America Vol. IV. P# 748

- a) Patent above issued by Gov. William Berkley, 18 Mar 1662
- B) Received grant from Gov. Berkley of 111 acres in New Kent Co., Va. adjoining above grant June 10, 1675.
- C) Was granted 640 acres in New Kent Co., same locality 1690. [material researched by Troy Gresham]

[The chart below is found on the Titsey website. It is also found at [GAWYSI](#)



Sir Richard Gresham

Son of

Sir John of Holt

[Sir John 1455, James of Holt 1420 John 1390, John 1340, Edward de Gresham 1312,
Roger de Gresham 1260/1589?, Roger de Gresham 1230/1259,
Sir Peter de Branchè 1200/1229, Sir Unknown de Braunche 1170/1199,
Sir Richard de Braunche 1050, Sir Ralph de Braunche 1030]

1. **Sir Richard Gresham** the son of Sir John Gresham was born in 1485 in Holt county Norfolk. He died¹ on 21 Feb 1548 in Bethnal Green. He was buried on 24 Feb 1548 in St Lawrence Jewery London. Sir Richard is the father of Sir Thamas Gresham .His biography follows that of his father [see below]

Sir Richard Gresham married (1) **Audrey Lynn** before 1515. Audrey was born about 1490 in Southwick county Northamshire. She died on 28 Dec 1522 in Bethnal Green. She was buried in St Lawrence Jewery London.

They had the following children:

- F i. **Mary Gresham** was born in 1516. She died died young.
- M ii. **John Gresham Sir** was born in 1518. He died in 1560.
- + M iii. **Sir Thomas Gresham** was born in 1519. He died on 21 Nov 1579. Thomas married² **Ann Read** in 1544. [See the biography for Thomas immediately below. There are many books and articles written about this Gresham]
- F iv. **Elizabeth Gresham** was born about 1520.
- M v. **William Gresham** was born in 1523.
- F vi. **Christiana Gresham** was born in 1525.

Sir Richard Gresham married (2) **Isabella Worpfall Taverson Gresham** after 1522. Isabella was born in 1504. She died on 18 Apr 1565. She was buried in St Lawrence Jewery London.

1507 Richard is admitted to the freedom of the Mercers' Company being then of age (21) He lived mostly in London

1511 Within five years he was buying and selling on his own, He loaned money to King Henry VIII He is now 26

1514 In November of this year, he and William Copeland, mercharnt, received 33L from Henry VIII for the hireof their ship "THE ANNE OF LONDON" This ship. sailed the North Sea, trading with Prussia.

1515 Richard hired extra vessels from the crown. It appears that Richard and the King were on good terms.

1515 Audrey Lynn may have become his wife this year. She was the daughter of William Lynn of Southwick.

1516 Henry appointed Richard a gentleman-usher extrodinary in the royal household. A daughter is born her name s Margaret. Richard is about 31 years old atthis time.

1518 Richard's son John is born Richard is 33

1519 Another son, Thomas is born. This Thomas will prove to be the most illustrious of all the Greshams. Not only will he found The Royal exchange, he will establish Gresham College which still operates in the City of London..

1520 A daughter, Elizabeth is born

1520 14 Oct, the next mention of Richard occurs some four years after his appointment as a gentleman usher to King Henry VII Richard Gresham is 35. He wrote to the **Cardinal Wolsey** telling him of the workmen he had hired to make tapestries for the walls of the Cardinal's pala ce. Hampton Court was the name of this palace.

1521 11 Jan Richard asked the Cardinal to obtain a license to import and export goods. In exchange he offered to cancel a debt of 280L the Cardinal owed to him.

1523 Son William Gresham is born

1525 A daughter is born

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- 1525 Richard was nearly expelled from the City. The common council was upset with Cardinal Wolsey. Richard spoke on his behalf. The others were not amused.
- 1526 The brothers Richard, William and John are arrested at Nieupoort. Richard is 41 years old They are soon released.
- 1528 A 43 year old Richard obtains monies from the royal treasury for 10 pieces of arras wrought with gold telling the story of David. He was acting for the crown while in Europe. It is not known if he held an official post. However he wrote frequently to Wolsey and later to Crownwell indicating some sort of service.
- 1530 Cardinal Wolsey dies. Richard pays for his funeral. Richard is 45 years old.
- 1531 This date is given for the knighting of Richard (GAWYSI Vol 11 #3 page 89) The **DICTIONARY OF NATIONAL BIOGRAPHY** as quoted in GAWYSI Vol 7 #3 p80 gives 18 Oct 1537 as date for knighthood.
- 1531 Sir Richard is now elected Sheriff of London and middlesex. His colleague is Edward Althae.
- 1531 20 Dec Richard carries out the sentence of death for William Tewkesbury, heretic. William was burned at the stake.
- 1532 The king gave Richard a new year's gift of a gilt cup and cover. (In these days wealth was amassed in gold chains and plate. His wife and a son are very ill this year. Richard is 47 years old.
- 1534 30 Apr Richard carries out the sentence of death for James Bainham. James was burned at the stake as a heretic. (Henry VIII's reign 1507-47 is caught up in severing the country from Rome. It didn't pay to disagree with the king. It could get pretty hot for you if you did.)
- 1536 19 May On this day Anne Boleyn was beheaded at the Tower of London. Richard and two other London merchants were engaged by Sir William Kingston to clear the tower of all strangers. Anne owed monies to Richard.
- 1537 Michaelmas Day 29 Sept Richard is elected Lord Mayor of London. London was that part of this area that was known as the City. Greater London consisted of a number of towns surrounding the City. Westminster where the King lived was a separate town.
- 1544 Last known mention of Sir Richard. Secretary Pagent lists Richard as one of the English merchants whose goods were seized by Charles V.
- 1548 Death of Sir Richard at his home in Bethnal Green 21 Feb 1548 Burial 24 Feb St Lawrence Jewry
- 1559 Monumeni erected with inaccurate information

SUMMARY

Robert received the honor of knighthood from Henry VIII from whom he received five grants of church lands and was employed by the King to negotiate for the government many loans from the bankers of Antwerp and Amsterdam. He was first a successful mercer at Holt, became sheriff, then was elected Lord Mayor of London. He finally became an eminent importer of fine merchandise and was in high favor with Henry VII during his reign. He married Audrey Lynne by whom he had three children John, Thomas, and Margaret.

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Sir Thomas Gresham

[Sir Richard 1485, Sir John 1455, James of Holt 1420 John 1390, John 1340, Edward de Gresham 1312, Roger de Gresham 1260/1589?, Roger de Gresham 1230/1259, Sir Peter de Branche 1200/1229, Sir Unknown de Braunche 1170/1199, Sir Richard de Braunche abt 1050, Sir Ralph de Braunche abt 1030]

Sir Thomas Gresham the 2nd son and the 3rd child of Sir Richard Gresham was born in 1519. He died on 21 Nov 1579. Sir Thomas Gresham, was educated first at school and later at Gonville and carus College, Cambridge. On leaving the university in about 1535, he was apprenticed for eight years to his uncle, Sir John Gresham, a mercer with whom his father was in partnership. Elected a freeman of the mercers' Company in 1543, he was soon taking part in the family business including certain financial dealings with the Crown. In 1544 he married Anne Read, the widow of a fellow mercer, who was related by marriage to the Bacon family. Their only son Richard was baptised at St. Lawrence Jewry on 6 September 1545. Following the death of his father Sir Richard in 1549, Thomas and his family moved from the elder Gresham's house on Milk Street to Lombard Street. Shortly after the appointment of Thomas Smythe the following singular incident occurred. The English Government being in want of ammunition, Sir Thomas Gresham arranged for a supply from Antwerp. This required great secrecy, as its export was forbidden under the severest penalties, and various ingenious schemes were adopted to evade the law. Nevertheless the ammunition was exported in comparatively small quantities, and Sir Thomas Gresham's correspondence had frequent references to silks, satins, velvets, and damasks, which were supposed to be imported. The continual arrival of these stores at the Tower attracted attention, although the danger had been pointed out by Gresham to the Council at home. On the 13th of June 1560, Sir Thomas was much disgusted (when he was informed by the searcher who was in his confidence as conveyor of velvets) that an Englishman had been with the Customer and informed him of the many velvets of all sorts lately arrived in London, and that, if he made a general search now, he would find a great booty; whereupon the Customer desired the searcher to be with him on the 15th very early in the morning. As this would have led to an exposé of the whole transaction, the parties conferred together, and the matter was wisely and judiciously dropped. (*Life and Times of Sir Thomas Gresham*, by Walter Burgon, vol. i, 381.)



Sir Thomas Gresham married¹ Ann Read in 1544.

He had the following children:

M i. Richard Gresham was born in 1545. He was christened² on 6 Sep 1545 in St Lawrence Jewry, London, Eng.. He died in 1564.

"His son Richard, dying in 1564 to whom he was greatly attached, memory of whom he established the Bourse or Royal Exchange and 8 Alms houses

"[page 7 *Grissoms of America and Across the Sea* Alexander Taylor Strange

F ii. Ann Gresham .a daughter born out of wedlock

A HANDBOOK OF LONDON BANKERS
with Some Account of Their Predecessor's
The Early Goldsmiths Together with List of Bankers
From the Earliest One Printed in 1677
to That of the London Post-Office Directory of 1876
by F. G. Hilton Price, F. G. S., F. R. G. S.

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Gresham, Sir Thomas

A goldsmith and merchant of great renown in the time of Elizabeth, carried on business at the sign of the Grasshopper in Lombard Street, ... upon the site of the present bank of Messrs. Martin and Co. 68, Lombard Street, who have always had the same sign and claim that their business dates back to the time of **Gresham**

Sir Thomas Gresham's father, **Sir Richard Gresham** was the "King's Exchanger" in the reign of Henry the Eighth, by whom he was greatly esteemed. **Sir Thomas Gresham** succeeded his father in this office but was superseded by Queen Mary in her accession to the throne. He was however, afterwards restored. He is said to have been one of the earliest merchants who traded in the East Indies, by which ventures he accumulated vast riches

Lawson in his **History of banking** states that upon one occasion, having sent ships out to the East Indies, he had miscalculated the date at which they would return - a circumstance that caused him much embarrassment. He, however, soon recovered from his temporary inconvenience. One day, while despondently walking about the Bourse, or Exchange, which was then held in Lombard Street, a sailor presented him with a letter from the captain of one of his ships, which contained the gratifying information that two of them had arrived safe from the East Indies, and that the box which the bearer would deliver contained some diamonds and pearls of great value, as a sample of the riches the ships had brought home.

He had a private house of great magnificence in Bishopgate Street which was afterwards known as **Gresham College**.

Upon reference to Lyson's **Environs of London** it will be seen that "between 1557 and 1570 Heston and Osterley came into the possession of **Sir Thomas Gresham** and the park was enclosed by him. After he had enclosed the Park at Osterly, he began to rebuild the Manor but it was not completed until 1577.

There is a tradition that Queen Elizabeth admired the house and park very much, with the single exception of a walled courtyard. When the Queen had retired for the night, **Sir Thomas Gresham** procured all the men he was able, and set them to work and demolished it. On her majesty's reappearance in the morning, she was much gratified at seeing the improvement **Sir Thomas** had made at her suggestion.

Towards the end of the seventeenth century, Osterly Park came into the possession of Sir Francis Child, whose descendants on the female side [the Earl of Jersey] still possess it.

Sir Thomas Gresham founded the Royal exchange, of which the first stone was laid on June 7, 1566, and the building opened by Queen Elizabeth in person on January 23, 1570. The following account of the ceremony is given by Stow.

“The queen Majesty, attended with her nobility, came from her house at the Strand, called Somerset House, and entered the city by Temple Bar, through Fleet Street, Cheap, and so by the north side of the bourse, through Threadneedle Street to **Sir Thomas Gresham’s** house in Bishopgate Street, where she dined. After dinner her Majesty returned through Cornhill, entered the bourse on the south side, and after that she had viewed every part thereof above the ground, especially the pawn, which was richly furnished with all sorts of the finest wares in the city, she caused the same bourse, by herald and trumpet, to be proclaimed ‘The Royal exchange’, and so to be called thenceforth, and not otherwise.”

This building was destroyed by the Great Fire of 1666.

Sir Thomas Gresham likewise founded **Gresham College** which he endowed with six professorships, viz, Divinity, Law, Physic, Philosophy, Astronomy, and Music, with a L50 a year to each, for the purpose of giving gratuitous lectures on these sciences to the citizens of London for ever.

To **Gresham** we owe the abolition of loans, from Foreign States by his counsel Elizabeth was induced when a loan was necessary, “not to use strangers, but her own subjects, that it might be seen what a prince of power she was.”

According to Mr Francis, “Her first applications to the citizens were not met with sufficient alacrity to please the imperious queen. She who could imprison a favourite for life, or send a rival to the block, was checked by her plebeian but wealthy subjects. The pride of Henry the Eighth had descended with his Crown to his daughter, and she caused it to be intimated to the unwilling merchants that to borrow their money was a matter of great grace and favour.”

As much as twelve and fourteen per cent was paid for the accommodation of money in this reign

I extract from Lawson’s **History of Banking** the following singular anecdote related of this princely merchant:

The Spanish Ambassador to the English Court having extolled the great riches of the King, his master and of the grandees of his kingdom before Queen Elizabeth, **Sir Thomas** who was present, told him that the Queen had subjects who, at one meal expended not only as much as the daily revenues of his King, but also of all his grandees, and added, “This I will prove any day, and lay you a considerable sum on the result.”

The Spanish ambassador soon after came unawares to the house of **Sir Thomas** and dined with him, when finding only an ordinary meal, he said, “Well Sir, you have lost your wager.”

“Not at all.” replied **Sir Thomas** “and this you shall presently see.” He then pulled out a box from his pocket, and taking one of the largest and finest eastern pearls out of it, exhibited it to the Ambassador, after which he ground it and drank the powder of it in a glass of wine, to the health of the Queen, his mistress.

“My Lord Ambassador,” said **Sir Thomas**, “you know I have often refused L15,000 for that pearl. Have I lost or won?”

“I yield the wager as lost.” said the Ambassador., “and I do not think there are four subjects in the world that would do as much for their sovereign.”

At his death, which took place in 1579, the bulk of his wealth was found to consist of gold chains. He was buried in St Helen's Church, Bishopgate. The inscription on the stone is:

**Sir Thomas Gresham, knight
buried
15th December 1579**

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APPENDIXES

APPENDIX I
REQUIREMENT LESTER & WITHERS

JONES COUNTY LEASE NO. 15,545

STATEMENT OF HEIRS OF LAW OF JAMES GRISSOM :

I, D. C. or Deavors Charles Grissom, of Taylorsville, Mississippi do hereby certify that, according to our family history and the general reputation of the people of the community wherein I have resided all of my life thus far, I am a blood son of J. B. or James Benjamin Grissom, deceased, who was in turn a blood son of James Grissom, also deceased, I therefore certify that by the same token, I as a blood grandson of James Grissom who bore the same given name of that of my own father. The following statement of the heirs-at-law of my said grandfather, the said James Grissom, is given from my own personal knowledge in some instances, is based upon family bible records in some instances; is based upon court records in instances, and is based upon knowledge that has come to me from other heirs of the said James Grissom In other instances

I do not know the date of the birth of James Grissom [1818 ed] or the date of his death, but do know that he departed this life while living in Jones county Mississippi either during the year of 1890 or prior thereto, The said James Grissom was married to Sally Hinton but I do not know the date of this marriage. If the said James Grissom left a last will and testament I have no knowledge of same, but I do know, according to court records of Jasper County, Mississippi, that letters of administration upon the estate of the said James Grissom were issued to my father J. B. Grissom, by the Chancery Court of Jasper County, Mississippi, on the 30th day of October, 1890, which Letters of administration were recorded in Book 8 at page 35 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of said county and state

To the marital union between the said James Grissom and Sallie Hinton Grissom there was born but ten children whose names, approximate dates of birth and death and the names of approximate ages of their children as follows to wit:

1. **David Grissom**, son, died about the year 1843 without having been married
2. **George Washington [Jack] Grissom** born about 1817 [1840 ed.] and died in Jasper County Ms about 1921 If he left a last will and testament this fact is not known to me. He was married to Jane Etheridge, also deceased. If Jane Etheridge left a last will and testament I have no knowledge of same. To this marital union there was born eight children, none being adopted to my knowledge to wit:
 - [1] **Alice Margaret Grissom** about 73 years of age, wife of J. L. Lofton, Laurel Mississippi, Rt 1
 - [2] **Tyner Grissom**, died intestate about the year of 1934 in the state of Ms at the age of about 59 years. She was the wife of B. C. Musgrove who now resides on route No 3 Stringer, Mississippi. Tyner Grissom was married but one time. To this marital union there was born but thirteen children whose names are as follows, to wit:
 - [a] **Chester Musgrove**, son born April 9, 1892
 - [b] **Lonie Musgrove** born May 14 1894. She is the widow of Albert Williams, deceased, as she resides on Route No 1 Soso, Ms
 - [c] **Fannie Musgrove**, daughter, born September 26, 1895. She is unmarried and lives with her father, B.C. Musgrove, on Route 1 Stringer, Mississippi.
 - [d] **Elsie Musgrove**, born January 14, 1898. She is the wife of Claiborne Atkins with whom she resides on Route No, 3, Laurel, Mississippi.
 - [e] **Annie Musgrove**, born July 14, 1900. She is the wife of Emmitt King with whom she resides on Route 2, Summerland, Mississippi.

[f] **Mildred Musgrove**, born August 18 1904. She is the wife of Oscar Williams with whom she resides on Route 2 Soso, Mississippi.

[g] **Selice Musgrove**, born September 12, 1906. She is the wife of Elbert Valentine with whom she resides on Route 2 Soso, Mississippi.

[h] **Lester Musgrove** son, born February 22 1909. He resides on Route No 1 Stringer, Ms..

[i] **Lou Alice Musgrove**, born August 31, 1911. She is the wife of Monroe Broadway with whom she resides at Mize, Mississippi.

[j] **Gladys Musgrove**, born October 8 1913. She is the wife of Leland King with whom she resides on Route 2 Summerland, Mississippi.

[k] **Jewel Musgrove** born March 12, 1922 She is unmarried and lives with her mother

[l] **Flossy Belton Musgrove**, born December 3 1922, She is the widow of James Price deceased. She resides on Route 1 Stringer Mississippi.

[m] **Vallie Belton Musgrove**, born June 1902 She is the wife of Archie Smith with whom she lives in Soso, Mississippi

[3] **William James Grissom**, about 65 years of age, Route 1 Stringer, Ms.

[4] **G. W. or George Washington Grissom jr.**, about 63 years of age. Resides on Rte 1 Stringer

[5] **Minnie Grissom** about 60 years of age. She is the widow of J. F. Conner, deceased and she resides in Jackson Mississippi.

[6] **Velma Grissom**, she died about the year 1925 at the age of about 32 years. She was to ...Hopkins by whom she had on child who died at childbirth.....with whom he now resides near the village of Bailey Ms.

[7] An unnamed infant who died at childbirth.

[8] An unnamed infant who died at childbirth.

3. **John Grissom**, born about the year 1849 and died in Lauderdale co Mississippi, about the year of 1921.If John Grissom left a 1st will or testament, I have no knowledge of same. John Grissom was married but one time, but I cannot recall the name of his spouse. To this marital union there was born but two children whose names are as follows, to-wit:

[1] **Eula Grissom** about 60 years of age. She is the widow of a man by name ofWood, deceased. Mrs Eula Grissom.....Wood resides at Route No 1 Bailey, Mississippi.

[2] **Will Grissom**, son, died in Lauderdale county, Mississippi in the year of 19.. at the age of about....Will Grissom was married but one time and then to Emma Gabriel who also died about the year 1941 in Lauderdale County Mississippi. If Will Grissom or his wife left a last will and testament I have no knowledge of same. To this marital union there was born but five children whose names are as follows to-wit:

[a] **Willie Mae Grissom**, about 35 years of age. She is the wife of Leo White with whom she resides in Bailey, Mississippi.

[b] **John R. Grissom**, son, about 33 years of age Route No 4. Bailey Mississippi.

[c] **Wilson Grissom**, son, about 31 years of age, Bailey Mississippi.

[d] **Atta Belle Grissom**, about 23 yeas of age, Meridian, Mississippi. She is the wife of,,,,,Hudson. Meridian, Miss. , Route No 4

[e] **Warren Grissom**, son, about 26 years of age, Meridian, Mississippi, Route No 1. At present Warren Grissom is in the United States Army.

4. **Malvina Grissom**, born about the year 1851. She died in Jasper County, Mississippi ab9ut the year 1887.So far as I know she left no last will and testament. Malvina Grissom was not to my knowledge married but one time, that time being to Wade Stringer.To this union there were born but eight children. After the death of Malvina Grissom Stringer, Wade Stringer was married to Alice Brown. To this second marriage of Wade Stringer and Alice Brown Stringer there was born but four

children. Wade Stringer died in the State of Mississippi about the year of 1925. If he left a last will and testament I have no knowledge of same. Alice Brown Stringer died in the State of Mississippi about the year of 1941. If she left a last will and testament I have no knowledge of same.

CHILDREN TO THE UNION BETWEEN WADE STRINGER AND MALVINA GRISSOM STRINGER ARE AS FOLLOWS TO-WIT:[Note the children listed below are not in birth order]

[1] **Raspberry Stringer**, son, died about the year of 1937 in Jasper County Mississippi. He was married to Sissie Welborn. Sissie Welborn Stringer resides on Route No 3, Laurel, Mississippi. To this marital union there were born but one child, none being adopted to-wit (If Raspberry Stringer left a last will and testament I have no knowledge of same)

(a) **Onie Stringer**, over 21 years of age. She is the wife of Harrison Welch with whom she resides on Route No 3, Laurel, Mississippi.

[2] **John Stringer**, son, died in Jasper County Mississippi at about the age of 50 years. He was married to Ella Simpson who died in the state of Mississippi about the year 1940. If John Stringer or Ella Simpson Stringer left a last will and testament I have no knowledge of same. To this marital union there was born but ten children, none being adopted, to-wit: Route No 1 Soso, Mississippi

[a] **Anse Stringer**, son about 35 years of age, New Orleans, Louisiana.

[b] **Ottis Stringer**, son, about 33 years of age. He resides near Ellisville, Ms. Miss.

[c] **Elisha Stringer**, son, about 31 years of age.

[d] **Docie Stringer**, about 35 years of age. She is the wife of Bunyan Sherman, Route No 3

Laurel Ms.

[e] **Madie Stringer** about 38 years of age. She is the wife of a man by the name of Barnett with whom she resides in Summerland, Mississippi.

[f] **Pearlie Stringer**, about 33 years of age. She is the wife of Ernest Block Rte 1 Soso Mississippi.

[g] **Leroy Stringer**, son, about 28 years of age. He resides in Jones Co Ms near Bogahoma Lake.

[h] **William Stringer**, son, died about the year 1935 at the age of about 34. He was married to Laverta Wade who also departed this life about the year 1938. If William Stringer or Laverta Stringer left a last will and testament I have no knowledge of same. To this marital union there was born but one child about 15 years of age. I do not know the sex of this child, but it resides with Sidney Wade in the Big Creek Community of Jones County Ms. I do not know the name of this child. [Willie Jean f abt 15 RTS]

[i] **Eddie Stringer**, son, died unmarried.

[j] **Ozzie Stringer**, son, died young and unmarried.

[3] **Bob (Robert V.) Stringer**, son, about 65 years of age Rte No 1 Soso, Mississippi

[4] **Sally Stringer**, about 65 years of age. She is the wife of Wiley Welborn Rte 3 Laurel Ms..

[5] **Edd (William Edward) Stringer** son, about 63 years of age Rte 2, Laurel Mississippi.

[6] **Rufus Stringer** son, about 61 years of age, Rte 2 Laurel, Mississippi.

[7] **Jimmie Stringer** son, died young and unmarried.

[8] **Mary Stringer** died about the year 1917 at the age of about 41 years. She was married to Wesley Dykes who also departed this life in the State of Louisiana, near Pelican, Louisiana about the year of 1942. It is my understanding that Mary Stringer Dykes died in the State of Louisiana. If either Mary Stringer Dykes or her husband left a last will and testament I have no knowledge of same. To this marital union there were but three children, none being adopted to my knowledge, to-wit:

[a] **Ira (Pink) Dykes**, over 21, 115 Luder St Kilgore, Texas.

[b] **Ambrose Dykes**, son, over 21, Turnertown, Rusk County, Texas.

[c] **Jessie Dykes**, son, died young and unmarried.

[d] **Alvin "Buck" Dykes** son, over 21 years of age, Turnertown, Texas ([d] & [e] are

twins)

[e] **Alson "Pat Dykes** son, died in Texas about the year of 1929. leaving a widow, Mable Dykes, and 4 children. Mable Dykes was later married to Taft Dyer with whom she now resides at 830 S Ave. El Dorado Arkansas. The children Alson "Pat" Dykes and Mable Dykes are as follows, To-wit:

(1) **Jewel Dykes** born June 22, 1923. She is the wife of A E Hill who normally resides at El Dora Arkansas, but who is now in active military service.

(2) **Cornelius Dykes** son, bJuly 31 1925. reported missing in Action since Dec 18, 1944

(3) **Randolph Dykes** son, born Feb 12 1927. He resides withhis mother, Mrs Mable Dykes Dryer in El Dorado Arkansas.

(4) **Rosalee Dykes** born Apr 20 1929. She is the wife of Criff Murray with whom she resides near The Terry Dairy Farm, El Dorado Arkansas.

**CHILDREN OF THE UNION BETWEEN WADE STRINGER AND ALICE BROWN
STRINGER ARE AS FOLLOWS To-wit:**

[1] **Harrison Stringer** son, about 54 years of age, Rte 2 Summerland Ms.

[2] **Bennie Stringer** son, abt 52 yrs of age. He is with the U S Coast Guard and is stationed at St Petersburg, Florida at Present.

[3] **Ira Brinson Stringer** son about 47 years of age, Laurel Miss. [3 & 4 are twins]

[4] **Arcenie Stringer** daughter, about 47 years of age, Laurel Miss.

5. **J. B. or James Benjamin Grissom** son, born during the month of August 1853, and died in Jones County Mississippi on March 5, 1921. He was married but one time and then to Abagale Crosby. Abagale Crosby Grissom departed this life on July 24 1903. J. B. Grissom did not leave a last will and testament and letters of Administration were not issued to anyone for the settlement of his estate. To this marital union was born but two children, none being adopted, to-wit

[1] **D. C. or Deavors Charles Grissom** son, born mach 2 1896, Taylorsville, Mississippi

[2] **Ophia Grissom** born February 14 1902. She is the wife of L L Welch with whom she resides in Laurel

6. **Rebecca Grissom** born about the year of 1855 and died in Jasper County Ms abt 1919. She was the wife of W M Marsh Stringer who also died in Jasper co abt the year of 1910. If Rebecca Grissom Stringer or W M Stringer left a last will and testament i have no knowledge of same. To this marital union there ws born but two children, none being adopted, to-wit:

[1] **Ellen Stringer** abt 70 years of age, widow of a man by the name of Ford deceased. She resides in Stringer

[2] **W R (Marsh) Stringer** son, abt 55 years of age, Stringer Mississippi Rte 1

7. **Jane Grissom** born abt the year of 1857 and died in Smith county Ms abt the year 1918 without leaving a last will and testament to my knowledge. She was married to Wyatt Knight who died in Jones co Ms abt the year 1940. To this marital union there was born but eight children, none being adopted, to-wit:

[1] **Alice Knight** abt 65 years of age, wife of John Nobles with whom she resides in Taylorsville Ms.

[2] **Robert D Knight** son, abt 60 yrs of age, 408 Short 7th Ave, Laurel, Ms.

[3] **Doni Knight** abt 58 yrs of age. She is the wife of P G Hedgwood with whom she resides in Wisner La.

[4] **Onia Knight** abt 54 yrs of age. She is the wife of Mike Perrino with whom she resides in Charlotte N. C.

[5] **John Knight** son, abt 50 yrs of age Sumrall Mississippi.

[6] **E. A. Knight** son, abt 48 yrs of age, Jackson, Mississippi.

[7] **Hattie Knight** abt 46 yrs of age, She is the wife of Eddie Renfoe with whom she resides at 1815 Barksdale Blend, Bosier City, Louisiana.

[8] One son name not known to me, died young and unmarried

8. **Josh Grissom** son, born about 1859 and died in Jasper co Ms about the year 1923. If Josh Grissom left a last will and testament I have no knowledge of same. Josh Grissom was married twice, the first time being to Alice Martin deceased, by whom he had no children. His second marriage was to Betty Knight. To the marital union between Josh Grissom and Betty Knight Grissom who died on the 30th day of July 1945 there was born but two children, none being adopted, to-wit:

[1] **James Albert (Jim) Grissom** son, abt 58 yrs. of age Stringer Ms Rte 1

[2] **John Franklin (Frank) Grissom** son, abt 55 yrs of age Stringer Ms Rte 1.

9. **Emma Grissom** born abt the year of 1861 and died in Jones co Ms abt 1939. She was married but one time and then to Steve Hilburn who died in Jones co Ms abt the year 1937. If either Emma Grissom Hilburn or Steve Hilburn left a last will and testament I have no knowledge of same. To this union there was born but two children, none being adopted, to-wit:

[1]**Hilton** abt 27 yrs of age. She is the wife of Alson Welch with whom she resides on Rte 3 laurel Ms.

[2] **Vema Hilburn**, died abt the year 1940 when in excess of 21 years of age. She was the wife of R W Russell who at the present resides on Rte 1 Soso Ms. To this marital union there was born no children. If Vema Hilburn Russell left a last will and testament i have no knowledge of same.

10. **Sarah Ann Grissom** born about the year 186..... She died young without having ever been married.

WITNESS my signature this the 1st day Of August, 1945 at Taylorsville Mississippi

D. C. Grissom

[The above was retyped by Royce T. Stringer Saurel, ms October 1998 from a poor copy of the original by D. C. Grissom]

[RTS]

[In Aug. of 2001 royce Stringer located the original lease at the Chancery Clerk's Office in Laurel, Ms. A photo copy of that lease is now in the possession of both Cecil Grissom and Royce Stringer. The copy is too indistinct to scan and include here. However it reads:
"WHEREAS ON THE 30TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1937, D. c. Grissom and wife, Donie Grissom as Leasor, made, excicated and delivered unto **GULF REFINING COMPANY** as Lessee, an Oil, Gas, and Mineral Lease covering and applying to land located in Jones County, Mississippi, described as follows, to wit: DESCRIPTION

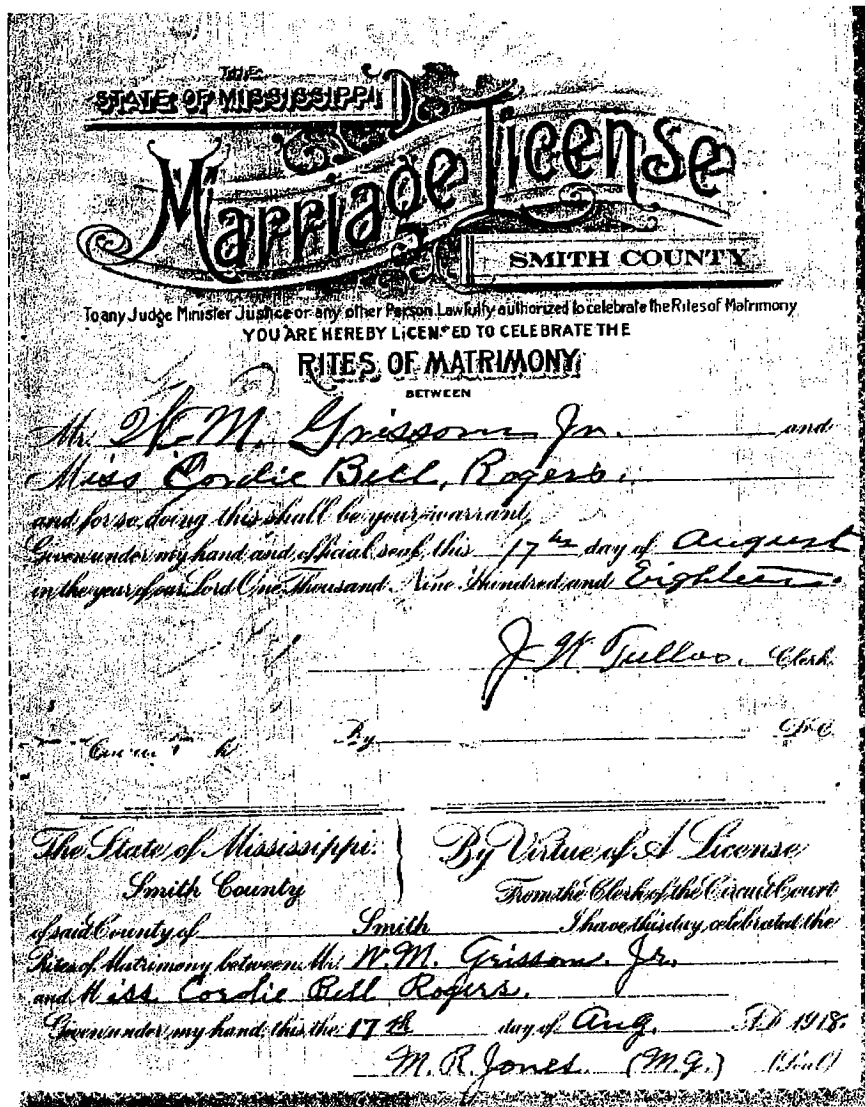
" NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 less
2 acres in the Northeast corner, Section 35,
and ll that part of NW 1/4 lying East of Public Road
less 3 acres in the Northeast corner,
Section 36, all in Township 10 North, Range 14 West,
containing 98 acres more or less"

which record of lease is in Deed Book **DD** Page 391 of records in the office of the clerk of Chancery Court, **Second Judicial District, Jones County, Ms.** [See map on page 227 below]

**APPENDIX II
DOCUMENTS**

Marriage certificate of Katherine Grissom Gregg's parents

Such a romantic wedding! Bill Grissom carried his darling Cordie Belle all the way to



Raleigh Smith Count Ms. There they said their marriage vows seated in the buggy. They prized this Wedding Certificate. It has been passed down in the family.

Marriage certificate for William Grissom and Nancy Tubbs

The State of Mississippi, my former residence of my wife
James Grissom of the State or Section of the State of
 County of Lawrence, Mississippi, do hereby acknowledge the State of
 marriage between *William Grissom* and *Nancy Tubbs* and give
 them together as the only lawful husband and wife to issue
 this since no prior objection hath been made by them
 or either the 15th day of August A.D. 1846.
 John Buchanan Clerk
 Attest my hand the 15th day of August August
 1846.
 J. Buchanan
 Received August 15th 1846
 John Buchanan my former residence

There is a great deal of romance hidden in the romance hidden in the above marriage certificate. The family of Isham Grissom is on the move. In order to reach their destination, they will cross Alabama. Nancy Tubbs lives in Alabama with her parents. How and when did William meet her? How long was their courtship? Did Nancy have any fears about leaving her home and moving westward with William?

Filed for Record July 12 1846
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
 TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:
 Certificate No. 10220
 WHEREAS *James Grissom of Lawrence County Mississippi* has deposited in
 the GENERAL LAND OFFICE of the United States, a Certificate of the Register of the Land Office at *Albany*
 whereby it appears that FULL PAYMENT has been made by the said *James Grissom*
 according to provisions of the Act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An Act making further provisions for the sale of the public
 lands," and the acts supplemental thereto, for the *South half of the North East Quarter and the South East
 of the North East Quarter of the North East Quarter of the North West Quarter of Section
 thirty four Township one North of Range one East in the County of Lawrence
 Mississippi formerly subject to sale at the last land selling meeting
 containing one hundred and thirty three acres and being numbered
 of and here*
 according to the official plat of the survey of the said lands, returned to the GENERAL LAND OFFICE, by the Surveyor General, which said
 tract has been purchased by the said *James Grissom*
 NOW KNOW YE, That the United States of America, in consideration of the premises, and in conformity with the several Acts of
 Congress, in such cases made and provided, HAVE GIVEN AND GRANTED, and by the Presents DO GIVE AND GRANT, unto the said
James Grissom and to his heirs, the said tract above described: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD
 of the same, together with all the rights, privileges, immunities and appurtenances, of whatsoever nature, thereto belonging, unto the said
James Grissom and to his heirs and assigns forever.
 IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I *James Buchanan*
 President of the United States of America have caused these letters to be made patent, and the seal of the GENERAL LAND OFFICE, to be
 hereunto affixed.
 GIVEN under my hand, at the City of Washington, the *twelve* day of *July*
 in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *sixty* and of
 the Independence of the United States the one hundred and *eighty* fourth.
 Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Office
 By the President *James Buchanan*
 Secretary *Wm. B. Ewing*
 Recorder of the General Land Office *John Buchanan*
 Recorded 7-15-46 Page 372
McCollins Clerk

The above deed seems to be a grant to James Grissom for land in Lawrence County Ms. If James left the Kemper-Lauderdale area for Lawrence County, then moved to Jones County, it is not known by family members. It is thought that he moved directly to Jones. The land described is in Jones County not Lawrence.

1830 TROUP COUNTY GEORGIA CENSUS

1830 Census Troup Co. Ga.

Isham Gresham 1830 and 40

Names under

Box 54

| | | |
|--------------------|-------|----|
| John Brown Jr. | 45 | 20 |
| William Hardin | " | 30 |
| Charles Bailey | " | 40 |
| Richard Terry | " | 50 |
| ? Brown | " | 30 |
| William H. Collier | " | 40 |
| Jacob Lindsey | " | 30 |
| Benjamin Bishop | " | 30 |
| James Hillmore | " | 30 |
| John Hampton | " | 40 |
| Hardy Jones | " | 50 |
| same " " | " | 30 |
| Benjamin Hampton | " | 70 |
| same H.H. | " | 30 |
| William Shaw | " | 30 |
| James Duke | " | 30 |
| David Gresham | " | 70 |
| Female | " | 60 |
| Female | " | 70 |
| | UND 5 | |

Last known record showing David and Isham Gresham living close to each other. Both men leave Troup County, Isham to travel westward and David to return to Pike County Georgia

| | | | | |
|------------------|---|---|------|-----|
| Green Robert | 1 | 0 | | |
| Green Benjamin | 1 | 2 | | |
| Green Isham | 1 | | | |
| Green Abner | 1 | | | |
| Henderson Carter | 1 | | | |
| Humphrey J. J. | 1 | | | |
| Hunter Isaac | 1 | 4 | | |
| | 3 | 6 | 2379 | 114 |

MISSISSIPPI TAX RECORD FOR THE YEAR 1839

Mississippi's tax record for the year 1839 Isham was in residence long enough to be taxed.

A PAGE FROM THE ORIGINAL RHINEHART LETTERS

considered very wealthy and the
 good children by look...
 children:
 1. John
 2. Jane
 3. Mary
 Mrs. Sarah Rebecca Hinton m -
 James Grissom, they moved
 to Miss. before the war between
 the States. She died in Jasper
 Co. Miss. They had ten children
 1. Dora Grissom d - unmarried
 2. Sarah Ann " " "
 3. H. W. (Jack) "
 4. John " m - Harriett Jones
 Harris
 5. Melvina ^{Swain} m - Wade Stringer
 6. Rebecca ^{Wright} " m - Wash "
 7. James Benjamin (S. map) m -
 Alice Crossley
 8. Mary Jane " m - W. D. Wright
 9. Emma " m - J. F. Hillman
 10. Joshua " m - Wright

There are numerous pages to this document. They are loose. It is next to impossible to put them in sequence. This page lists the children of James Grissom and Sarah Hinton. Mrs Rhinehart Hogan knew the people that she discussed. Her written statements are first hand accounts. A transcribed copy of one of her letters appears above on pp138

LAUDERDALE COUNTY MARRIAGE RECORD FOR G. W. GRISSOM

LAUDERDALE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI MARRIAGE RECORDS - BOOK 1-A

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NOTE "JOHN H. C. GRISSOM SIGNED MARRIAGE BOND WITH GEORGE WASHINGTON GRISSOM. WERE THEY BROTHERS? WHAT DID THE H. C. REPRESENT? IS THIS PERHAPS THE "JOHN" THAT INTERMOVED TO SMITH OR JASPER CO AND WHO HAD THE "COMMUNICATION" PROBLEM WITH THE MAN WHO FAILED TO PAY BACK THE CASH LOANED TO HIM?

LATER, I WILL LOOK UP PAGE "100" and see if any other details are given.

Royce June/1999

F MARRIAGE: 11/10/1870 171
 BRIDE: WARD, MARY
 MARRIED BY: HOLBROOK, JAMES JP
 DATE ISSUED: 11/08/1870
 BOND BY: GREEN, WILLIAM HENRY
 : CURTIS, JOSIAH

F MARRIAGE: 01/14/1879 532
 BRIDE: TEW, S. H.
 MARRIED BY: RYAN, J. K. MG
 DATE ISSUED: 01/07/1879
 BOND BY: GRIFFIN, R. D. :
 THOMPSON, R. P.

F MARRIAGE: 00/00/1884 523
 BRIDE: HOPSON, C. R. MG
 MARRIED BY: BROWN, JOHN
 DATE ISSUED: 02/14/1884
 BOND BY: GRIMES, B. H. :
 WHITE, W. H.

DATE OF MARRIAGE AND OF BOND HAVE BEEN ARBITRARILY SET AT 1884 THOUGH BOTH ARE BLANK ON SOURCE SHEET. THE DATE OF ISSUE SEEMS FAR OUT OF PLACE CONSIDERING NUMBER BEFORE AND AFTER.

GRISSOM, G. W.

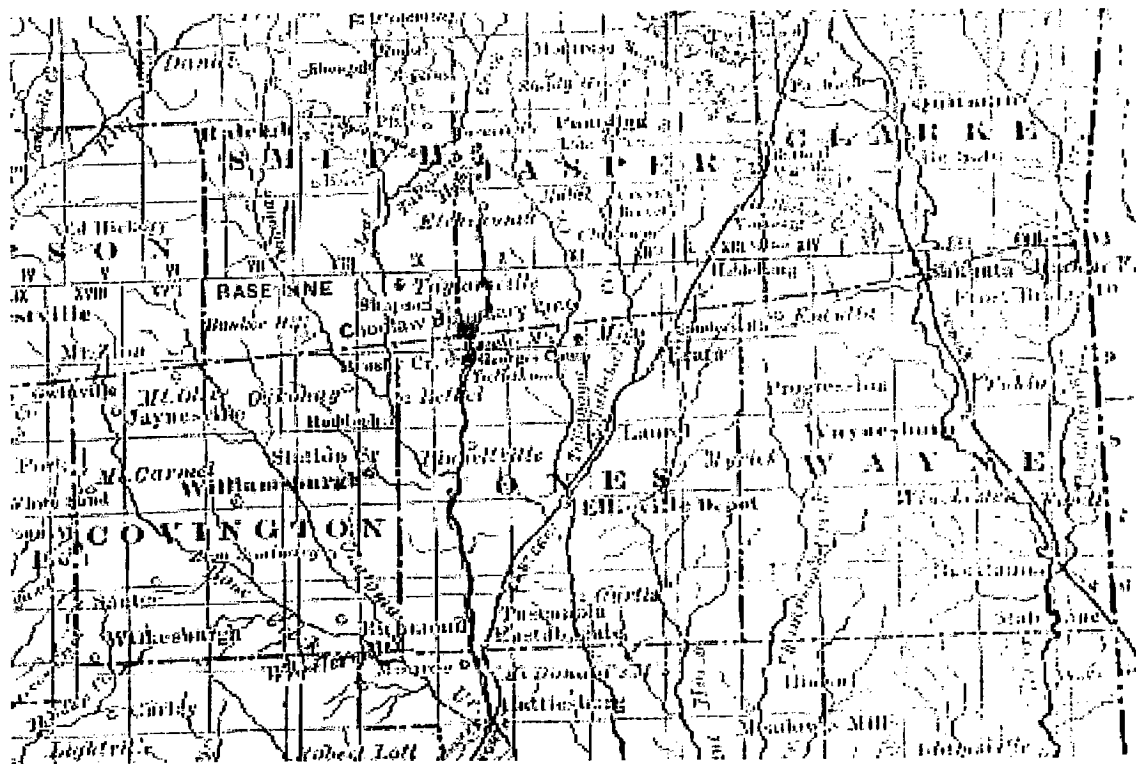
DATE OF MARRIAGE: 01/09/1870 123
 BRIDE: ETHRIDGE, A. V. J.
 MARRIED BY: WEATHERFORD, R. MG
 DATE ISSUED: 01/07/1870
 BOND BY: GRISSOM, G. W. :
 GRISSOM, JOHN H. C

DATE OF MARRIAGE: 00/00/1874

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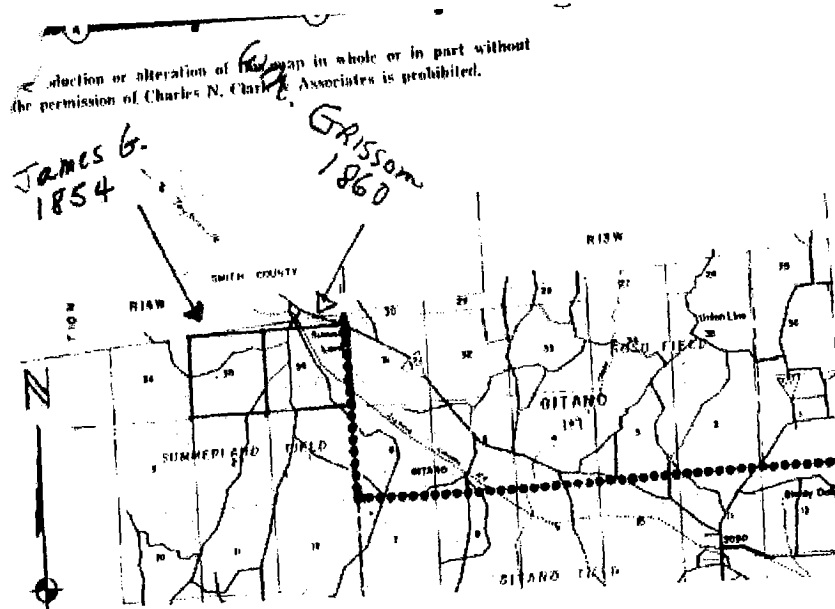
[Note on page 336 of the LAUDERDALE COUNTY MARRIAGE BOOK I is the record for the marriage of Miss Amanda Grissom. i.e. "Grissom, Miss Amanda married G. W. Coats on 5/30/1866 by J. W. Brown, M. c. [issued 5/28/1866... On bond: G. W. coats and N. Kitrell, 1/28/1866" Amanda was the sister of James Grissom. James in turn was George Washington Grissom's. Father. This making Amanda an Aunt for George. It will be Amanda's daughter Mary who writes the note found above on page 12

19TH CENTURY MAP OF THE TRI COUNTY MISSISSIPPI AREA



All the places shaded on this map are mentioned elsewhere. George's Camp where Joshua Hinton lived. A Hinton cemetery is near this spot. There is a road called the Josh Hinton road in the area today. Bunker Hill John H. C. Grissom settled here. It is from here that he moved back to Lauderdale County Ms. Erata and Shubuta are both mentioned in the Rhinehart letter above. Williamsburg is the terminus for the pony express mail route through this area.

MAP OF JONES COUNTY SECTION OF TRI COUNTY AREA JASPER, JONES AND SMITH COUNTIES, MISSISSIPPI



- “35 10 14 - James Grissom 1834 Grant 10930
 - Joshua Hinton 1855 Grant 12425
- 36 10 14 - John Valentine 1854 Grant 10138
 - John B Brown 1854 Grant 11376
 - Mary Simpson 1855 Grant 12423
 - Wade Grissom 1890 Grant 21114
 - Wm. Grissom 1860 Grant 15263”

[from page 88 HISTORY OF JONES COUNTY MISS. Church and Cemetery 1830 - 1915 index to land grants by H. H. Daniels

Attached note:

“ Notice James Grissom land grant was within a mile or less of the Smith County line and three to four miles west of where Jasper County line corners with Smith and Jones Co.
 Mr. Dale Moore lives in Section 36. The very old and neglected ‘Hinton’ cemetery that we visited is on the little road that runs into Hwy 35. I’ll bet Isham’s wife Elizabeth is here. James and Sarah Grissom may also be buried in this family cemetery.
 We need to visit it again” signed “Royce”

NOTICE OF JURY DUTY LAUDERDALE COUNTY 1850

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Concise Court

To be remembered that at a Concise Court was
 held in and for the county of Lauderdale
 in the State of Mississippi, at the court house thereof in
 the town of Natchez on the first Monday of March next
 to-wit: the first day of the said eight hundred and forty
 and nine years, to-wit: the first day of said month;

Present the Honorable Amos B. Linn
 presiding Judge of the fourth Judicial Circuit in
 the State of said State.

George Wood Esq. District Attorney
 Benj. W. Parks Esq. Clerk
 William W. Ramsey Sheriff

William W. Ramsey Sheriff returned into court the
 original returns to him directed which in the
 following words and figures to-wit:

The State of Mississippi
 the Sheriff of Lauderdale County, Excelsior

We command you to summon the following free
 holders and householders of to be found in your county
 to be and personally appear before the Honorable
 the Concise Court next to be holden in and for said
 county at the court house thereof in the town of
 Natchez on the first Monday in March next, to-wit: the first
 day of said month of the year, at nine o'clock in the forenoon
 there to serve as jurors until discharged by the court
 to-wit:

| | | |
|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Samuel Knight | 13 Henry Daniel | 25 John Brady |
| 2 Alexander C. Richards | 14 Amos Piggford | 26 William Thompson |
| 3 Samuel Chapman | 15 Jacob Nicholas | 27 Henry W. Deane |
| 4 J. T. Gony | 16 Aaron Hunter | 28 John King |
| 5 William L. Anacoon | 17 Leper Shelton | 29 James Caldwell |
| 6 Matthew Alexander | 18 Emanuel A. Durr | 30 John H. H. H. |
| 7 John W. Allen | 19 James Arp | 31 John H. H. H. |
| 8 John Fairchild | 20 Isaac H. H. | 32 John H. H. H. |
| 9 Rubin A. H. H. | 21 John H. H. | 33 John H. H. H. |

Sample page of the many recorded involving one member or another of this Grissom family. James was called for jury duty. It is thought that he had already left the area. Most of these old records are hard to find. They are harder to read. All of the Lauderdale source material that was photocopied was researched by Royce Stringer.

the Grissom family members as listed
in
the **Smith County Cemetery book:**

Abbie C.
Cordie [Rogers]
Deavors C., Sr.
Donia C.
James B.
James H.
M. J.
Nancy {Tubbs}
Ruth C.
Wade M.
William

William Monroe [Bill]

Clear Creek Baptist Church Cemetery

From Taylorsville, Ms. take Hwy 28 East about 2 miles. Turn left on Hwy. 531 and go about 2 ½ miles. Turn right on County Road 33 and go about 1/4 mile. Section 2, Township 10N, Range 14W

M. J. Grissom Born 11-15-1880 Died 1890 Concrete Tomb.

James B. Grissom Born 1853 Died 1923 *

Abbie C. Grissom Born 1871 Died 1903 *

* = Double Headstone

Row 12

William Grissom Born 12-7-1819 Died 5-10-1886

Nancy [Tubbs] Grissom Born 1825 Died 1900. Wife of William Grissom; married 1846 in Perry County, Alabama.

Fellowship Baptist Church Cemetery

From the intersection of Hwy. 28 and Hwy. 37 in Taylorsville, Ms. go West on Hwy 28 about ½ miles, turn left on Fellowship Road [County Road 14] and go about ½ mile. This is a very large cemetery and was enumerated only through 1995..

Section 24, Township 10N, Range 15W.

Block 5, Row 2.

Deavors C. Grissom, Sr. Born 3-2-1898 Died 8-1-1961. World War I, Ms. GM 2, U.S. Navy. [My note: GM 2 means Gunner's Mate 2nd Class]

Donia C. Grissom Born 4-1-1899 Died 6-19-18911

Summerland Baptist Church Cemetery

This cemetery is located on the south side of Hwy. 28 at Summerland, Ms. This is about 5 miles East of Taylorsville, Ms. Section 26, Township 10N, Range 14W

James H. Grissom Born 3-31-1928 Died 11-13-1993

Wade M. Grissom Born 9-10-1853 Died 11-17-1924 *

Ruth C. Grissom Born 1-1- 1859 Died 4-5-1921 *

* Double Headstone

William Monroe [Bill] Grissom Born 5-27-1884 Died 2-2-1980 * **Cordi [Rogers] Grissom** Born 5-3-1896 Died 6-23-1982 *

DEATH CERTIFICATES

Sir Thomas Gresham of Titsey 1630

The right Worshipfull Sir Thomas Gresham of Titsey in the County of Surrey Knight departed this mortall life at his Manner house of Lympsfield in the county of aforesaid on ye first day of July 1630 and was buried by his Ancestors in a chapell belonging to that family with the Church of Titsey aforesaid on the 3rd day of the sme month. He married Mary the Da of John Lennard of Knoll in the parrishe of Sevenboke in Kent Esq. By whom he had yssue Sir John Gresham sonne and heire who married Elizabeth the Da of Sir Thomas Bishop of Parham in the county of Sussex Knight and Baronet. Sir Edward Gresham 2nd sonne who married to his 1st wife Mary Da of ... Clerke of London to his 2nd wife he married Mary Da of Abraham Campion of London widow of Cabriel Wight of Brockham in Surrey. Thomas Gresham 3rd sonne married Frances Da of Strickland of Yorkshire. Mary eldest Da of the defunct married to Sir Anthony Kinton of Wiltshire. Elizabeth married to Sir Richard Cooper of Temple in Surrey and youngest Da unmarried. The executor of the defuncts last will is Sir John Gresham Knight aforesaid who hath testifies the truth of this Certificate

[the following funeral certificate was extracted from Register marked "124 funeral Certificates" of 73 now remaining in the College of Arms London & examined therewith this sixteenth day of June 1870 George Harrison Windsor Herald..see page 124 GAWYSI Vol 11 #4 Oct. 1996}

Sir: Thomas Gresham, Knight, 1579.

The certifficatt or testimoniall of the daye of the deathe and ffun'all of Sr Thomas Gresham Knight.

Sir Thomas Gresham of Osteley in the Countie of Mydd'x Knight, late Agentin sundery matters of traffique and intercowsrse of Marchantize for the QuenesMatie Her Realmes and Dominion from the Comitries of Brabant, Holland and flanders cauled the Loe Countries; and late fownder of that sompteous monu'entcauled the Royal Exchainge .w'hin the Cittie of London. After the Cowrse of many yeres of his dayes paynefulhe spent in the Loyall service of his Prince and Con- trye dep'ted this mortall_lyfe at his howse in the P'ishe at St. Hellenes nere Bishopes gate in London on Saterdaie the xxjtie of November An^o 1579 whose Corps in semely sort was accompaied to the grave w'th many worshipfull and other hisfrendes on Tewesdaie the XV'th of Dece'ber to the same churche Of St' Hellens. He maryed 'Anne daughter of Will'm farneley of West Creeting in Suff. esquier and by her had Issue Richard Gresham his onlye sonne who died w'houtysse longetyme before his father 1564 and lyeth buried in the same Churche & w'hin the same vawte where now his ffather is entumed. The said Sr' Thomas Gresham, Knight, appoynted the sole Executrix by his last Will-and Testament the Said Anne_Lady Gresham his wyife. The fyve cheiff mourners at the same fun'all assigned for his degree of Knighthood were Sr. Henry Nevill, Knight, Will'm Gresham, Nathaniel Bacon, Will'm Killigrew and Edmond Hogan Es-quiens, Robart Cooke esquire al's Clarentceulx Principall herauld and Kinge of Armes of the Southe p'ts hailing w'th him Richemond and York towe other of Her Ma'ties heraulds And Officers of Arms were, p'sent & did direct & order the same ffun'all by whom this certificate or lete testimoniall was taken to be recorded and regIstered in the Office of Armes, the truth whereof is wytnessed by subscription or these p'teis herevnder wrytten In the xxijte yere of the Reigne of Owo Sou-v'aigne Lady Elizabeth by the grace of God Quene of England ffrance and Ire-land Defender of the faithe et &c. 1579.

A true COpy from Register marked cc I. 10 Funeral
Certificates " folio 137 now remaining in the College of
Arms London & examined therewith this first day of June 1870 by me
GEO. HARRISON
Windsor Herald.

When you look at the "D" in the above photo copy. Know that you are looking at the

I hereby relinquish my claim whatever to a
 portion of my land which I do hereby give and deliver to
 his name is that on the original roll of the agency of my
 State
 I have to subscribe in } David D his
 (Pike County) } Mark
 David D Gresham

signature of David Gresham who lived more than 200 years ago. He is believed to be the father of Isham Gresham who in turn is the subject of this family history. The D seems to tell us that David had a sense of style, even in his old age. He was abt. 78 years old, when he made this mark. He had turned back from Troup County Ga to Pike County Ga.. The reason for the move is not known. He made it about the time Isham left for the new lands in the former Indian Territory in Mississippi. His wife is not shown with him in Troup County. He is not living with a Gresham family. He is abiding with a Barnett [?] family. This may be a daughter.

MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
 NAME: George Washington Grissom
 RESIDENCE: Stuyvesant Ward: 2
 PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS
 COLOR OR HAIR: White MARRIED: Married
 OCCUPATION: Retired
 PLACE OF BIRTH: Miss
 DATE OF BIRTH: 8-17-1840
 PLACE OF DEATH: Miss
 NAME OF DEATH CERTIFICATE: Frank Grissom
 NAME OF FATHER: Frank Grissom
 NAME OF MOTHER: Martha Hinton
 MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
 I HEREBY CERTIFY that I attended the deceased from 8-1-1920 to 8-7-1920
 and that death occurred on the date stated above.
 The CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows:
renal heart
 (Signed) J. J. Hinton
 Address: Stuyvesant

G. W. Grissom d 7 Aug 1920 information given by G. W. Grissom Jr. "Uncle Wash" gave incorrect information. Frank Grissom was not G. W.'s father and Martha Hinton was not his mother. Although Sarah Hinton was. James Grissom was his father. G. W. was born in Georgia not Ms. or so other records say.

MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
 PLACE OF DEATH: Stuyvesant Certificate of Death No. 20935
 REGISTERED DISTRICT No. 8 No. 529
 FULL NAME: John Clay Grissom
 PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS
 COLOR OR HAIR: White MARRIED: Married
 OCCUPATION: Retired
 PLACE OF BIRTH: Miss
 DATE OF BIRTH: 11-4-1842
 PLACE OF DEATH: Miss
 NAME OF DEATH CERTIFICATE: John Clay Grissom
 NAME OF FATHER: John Grissom
 NAME OF MOTHER: Sallie Hinton
 MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
 I HEREBY CERTIFY that I attended the deceased from 11-4-1920 to 11-20-1920
 and that death occurred on the date stated above.
 The CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows:
renal heart
 (Signed) R. J. Hinton
 Address: Stuyvesant

John Clay Grissom [John H. C. Grissom] age 77 d 4 Nov 1920 birth date abt 1842 probably error for birthplace It recorded as N. C. This family has no known record of residing in N. C. Father and mother listed correctly as Jim Grissom and Sallie Hinton. Information given by his son W. W. Grissom This is G. W. Grissom's brother John.

MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
Bureau of Vital Statistics

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

1 PLACE OF DEATH
County Jones State Miss Registration District No. 100 File No. 100
City Jones or Primary Registration Dist. No. 100 Reg. No. 100
Village Jones or Primary Registration Dist. No. 100 Reg. No. 100
City Jones (If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and address)

2 FULL NAME James B. Grissom Ward Jones Co
(Last name first)
Length of residence in city or town where death occurred yes no (If non-resident give city or town and State)

3 PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS
a SEX Male b RACE White c AGE 68 d DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, and year) Aug 1853
e OCCUPATION OF DECEASED Farmer
f MARITAL STATUS (at date of death)
1) General nature of relationship Widower
2) Name of spouse Jane Hinton
3) Name of employer Jones Co
4) Name of institution Jones Co
5) Name of hospital Jones Co
6) Name of physician Wm. W. Hinton
7) Name of funeral director James Hinton
8) Name of undertaker James Hinton

4 MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
a DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) March 1921
b I HEREBY CERTIFY that I attended the deceased from March 1921 to March 1921 and that death occurred on the date stated above, at Jones Co.
The CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows:
Paralysis
c (Detailed description of disease)
d (If not at place of death)
e (If an operation precedes death)
f (If there was an autopsy)
g (Name of physician)
h (Address)
i (Signature)
j (Address)

James B. Grissom is Benjamin "Sanp" Grissom b Aug 1853 died 3 March 1921 His parents are listed correctly as James Grissom b Ga. and nearly correctly as Jane Hinton b Ga. His mothr was Sarah "Sallie" Hinton. Her birth place is listed as Ga. It is thought to be N. C. Burial place listed as Sumrall, Ms. This may be in error. Place listed as Jones Co. This may be in error. The family may still have been in Lauderdale County, Ms in 1853

MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
Bureau of Vital Statistics

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

1 PLACE OF DEATH
County Jones State Miss Registration District No. 100 File No. 100
City Jones or Primary Registration Dist. No. 100 Reg. No. 100
Village Jones or Primary Registration Dist. No. 100 Reg. No. 100
City Jones (If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and address)

2 FULL NAME Becky Ann Grissom Ward Jones Co
(Last name first)
Length of residence in city or town where death occurred yes no (If non-resident give city or town and State)

3 PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS
a SEX Female b RACE White c AGE 70 d DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, and year) 1850
e OCCUPATION OF DECEASED None
f MARITAL STATUS (at date of death)
1) General nature of relationship Widow
2) Name of spouse James Grissom
3) Name of employer None
4) Name of institution None
5) Name of hospital None
6) Name of physician None
7) Name of funeral director None
8) Name of undertaker None

4 MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
a DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) March 1921
b I HEREBY CERTIFY that I attended the deceased from March 1921 to March 1921 and that death occurred on the date stated above, at Jones Co.
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None
c (Detailed description of disease)
d (If not at place of death)
e (If an operation precedes death)
f (If there was an autopsy)
g (Name of physician)
h (Address)
i (Signature)
j (Address)

Frances "Becky" Grissom died at the age of 70. She was born abt 1850. She a daughter of James Grissom and Sarah Hinton not B Grissom and ? Musgrove as listed on this death certificate. Cannot read place of birth other records show Ms.

APPENDIX III

Civil War Muster Rolls

MUSTER ROLL FOR JAMES GRISSOM

The discovery of this muster roll was made by Royce Stringer along with others ascribed to James Grissom. As can be seen, James Grissom was paroled from Vicksburg, Ms. 10 July 1863. There is a tradition in the Wm "Bill" Grissom family that his father George Washington Grissom walked home

from Vicksburg. No parole has ever been found to support this story. It was not known that George Washington Grissom's father, James Grissom may also have served in the **War Between the States** If this is the case, then he is the one who walked home from Vicksburg.

It is believed that the James Grissom noted in this muster roll is James Grissom, father of George Washington Grissom. **Company F of the 7 Ms Batt Vol.** is the same outfit in which William Grissom, brother of James, is enlisted. [see muster roll for William] William was born 1819. James was a year older. He was born 1818.

No other James Grissom has been found in the area surrounding Ellisville, Ms. Other muster tickets name Ellisville as the place where James enlisted.

James' son James Benjamin was born 1853. He would not have been old enough to enlist.

| | | |
|--|---|--------|
| James Grissom | 7 | BATT'L |
| Co. E | 7 | BATT'L |
| Appears on a | | |
| Roll of Prisoners of War | | |
| paroled at Vicksburg, Miss., July 10, 1863 | | |
| terms of capitulation entered into by the commanding Generals of the United States and Confederate forces July 4, 1863 | | |
| roll dated | | |
| Paroled at Vicksburg, Miss., July 10, 1863 | | |
| Where captured | | |
| When captured | | |
| Remarks | | |
| 61 | | |
| (655) | | |

THE BATTLE HISTORY OF THE 7TH MISS BATT'L CSA

"The battalion gathered at Quitman Clarke Co, Ms where they were mustered into the service of the CSAThey remained in camp of Instruction at Quitman and Enterprise until September, when ordered to **Saltello** where they were attached to General M. E. Greene's Brigade, Major Sterling Price's Army of the West. They were in the Battle of **Iuka** Sept 19 and at the Battle of **Cornith** Oct 3 - 4...

While retreating, they fought at **Hatchie bridge**, The Battalion moving Price and Van Dorn, through **Ripley**, back to **Oxford**. Next to **Yazoo City**. 31 Dec 1862 by boat to **Snider's Bluff**, just as Sherman was closing his attack down the line.

Here they remained with Herbert's Brigade until night of 17 - 18 May, marched to **Vicksburg** and by 8:00 o'clock, May 18 in line in trenches, being in time to give Grant's troops a check.

This Brigade occupied a position in the principal works on the immediate right of the Jackson Road, extending to left including redan on the Graveyard Road...

...That evening, they drove the skirmishes and the memorable 47 day and night bombardment began...

...So it was on July 4th at 10:00 o'clock a.m. when further resistance was futile, they stacked Arms in front of the works and after marching back to bivaouac was paroled.

[some accounts include the detail that the Confederate Soldiers were marched as war prisoners to the town of Enterprise, Ms... and later paroled The Battalion was reorganized at Enterprise while at Parole Camp and was attached to Gen'l C. W. Sear's Brigade

MUSTER ROLL S FOR WILLIAM GRISSOM & WADE STRINGER

They reached **Rasaca Ga.** 16 May 1864 and were actively engaged on the line swinging down around and past **Atlanta....**"The Georgia Campaign included..."**Cassville,**

**New Hope Church,
Latimer House,
Kennesaw Mountain, Smyra,
Chattahootchie River,
Seige of Atlanta,
and Lovejoy Station.**

William Grissom
 App. on *Company Muster Roll*
 of the organization named above
 for *Sept 8 Oct 1862*
 Enlisted: *May 1862*
 When *at Nashville Tenn*
 By whom *S. B. Purdum*
 Period *3 yrs or there about*
 Last paid *at Nashville Tenn*
 By whom *S. B. Purdum*
 To what time *at Nashville Tenn*
 Present or absent *absent*
 Remarks *absent sick*

...The took part in the capture of the block house at **Tilton, Ga....**26 Oct they were in the battle of **Decator, Ala...**Pushing on to **Tuscombia, Ala** crossing the **Tennessee River, 20 Nov.** moving upon **Columbia, Tennessee** and taking part in flank movement toward **Sping Hill**. Then following **Schofield's Corps** to **Franklin, Tenn.** and took part in the attack of that place by **Stewart's and Cheatham's corps...**

.Dec 4 fought at **Overall's creek** with **Forrest. Murfreesboro** on the 15th - 16th and was stationed on **Walthall's lline** at **Nashville** crossing the **Tennessee River** December 26th and marched to **Northeast Mississippi** to **Winter quarters.**

Wade Stringer
 App. on *Company Muster Roll*
 of the organization named above,
 for *Sept 8 Oct 1862*
 Enlisted: *May 1862*
 When *at Nashville Tenn*
 By whom *S. B. Purdum*
 Period *3 yrs or there about*
 Last paid *at Nashville Tenn*
 By whom *S. B. Purdum*
 To what time *at Nashville Tenn*
 Present or absent *absent*
 Remarks *absent sick*

Feb 1st 1865 they reported to Gen't **Maury** at **Mobile, Ala.** The remainig portion served in the defense of the **Spanish Fort** east of **Mobile**. They were captured on **April 8th** and sent to **Ship Island** as prisoners of War

They were finally sent to **Meridian** and paroled.[ref **MISSISSIPPI OFFICIAL AND STATISTIAL REGISTER** 1908 pp 573 eDept Of Archives and History, Jackson, Ms.

Although **Wade Stringer** and his uncle-in-law **William Grissom** of **Summerland** were in the same **Battalion**[the **7th Ms.Inf CSA.**], they were in different Companies. **Wade Stringer** was in **Co.A.**and **William** was in **Co F.**The above **James Grissom** was in the same **Co. F.** as **William Grissom**

MUSTER ROLL FOR GEORGE WASHINGTON AND JOHN H C GRISSOM

George Washington Grissom was enlisted in the 8th Mississippi Infantry Co A **Yankee Terrors**. John H C Grissom, younger brother of George Washington Grissom appears to have enlisted in the 7th Mississippi Infantry. Both men are found residing in Lauderdale county Mississippi after the war.

Both men marry in Lauderdale County, Both men return to the Tri County area sometime after 1870. John settled in Bunker Hill, Smith county. George acquired land in Jasper County near the present village of Stringer.

George remained in the area. Some of his descendants continue to live on his homestead in the Stringer Community John returned to Lauderdale County.

Members of his descendants reside there today. The 8th Miss Reg't was organized at Enterprise, Clarke Co. Ms 1861. Attached to Army of Pensacola, Army of Mississippi, Army of Tennessee under Bragg, Polk Johnson and Hood.

Orderd to Pensacola, Florida, Gen Braxton Bragg, April 1861

Attached to Army of Tennessee, John K Jackson Brigade W. H. T. Walker's Division, W. J. Hardee's Corps 1862

Battles - Pensacola, Murfreesboro, Resaca, Etowa, Dallas, Chatahoche River, Kennesaw Mountain, Atlanta, Jonesboro, Spring Hill, Farnklin and Nashville and numerous skirmishes

From Chicamonga to Missionary Ridge the company was frequently engaged on the skirmish line. When the Battle of Missionary Ridge was opened the

company was actively engaged in the thickest of the fight. Here six men were taken prisons. From Missionary Ridge the company went on to Dalton Ga., where they went into winter quarters for 1863-4 and suffered severely extreme cold weather.

...this company was made up of the best material of the country. They were all young men between 18 and 30 years whose religious and moral status was in the main of the highest and purest type and this standard was fully maintained throughout the four years of death and gloom. The few survivors have been good citizens...In their young days the majority of them came from peaceful and happy farms and when the flag they battled for was furled in glory they returned to Mississippi and began again the building of homes and county. Through five states they went bravely and they left some of their dead on every battle field in which the Army of Tennessee was engaged. Their pathway was marked with blood, but the great sacrifice was freely yielded upon the Confederacy's Altar and what nobler record would man care to make?"

Captain R. P Austin
Co. B. Pickney's Guards 8th Ms Reg
Army of Tennessee, C. S. A.

(Confederate)
8 Miss.
G. W. Grissom
Capt. Wm. Watkins Co
(Yankee Terrors), Mississippi Volunteers
Appears on
Company Muster Roll
of the organization named above, called into the
service of the State of Mississippi.
Not dated 186
Enrolled 186
By whom
Discharged into service
June 8 186
By whom
W. J. Hardee
W. J. Hardee
Discharged
By whom
W. J. Hardee
Remarks
Bill Not Struck
This company subsequently became Company A, 8th
Mississippi Infantry.
A Form copy made in the M. S. Omos. War Department in
1863, from an original record borrowed from the Library
of Congress and History, Jackson, Miss. - M. S. Omos.
Book mark
J. P. Austin
1863

(CONFEDERATE)
John Grissom
Co. B. Pickney's Guards
Appears on a
Regiment
of Payments on Descriptive Roll
Period of service:
From 186
To 186
When paid
By whom J. P. Austin
Amount \$22
Remarks
Confed. Arch., Comp. S. P. H. S. Co. p. 8
W. J. Hardee

APPENDIX IV

Good ole day??? and hence some sayings... And these were the GOOD OLE DAYS?

This list of the way things used to be back in the good old days was sent to me by a Grissom cousin. I thought you'll might enjoy learning how we got some of our old cliches. Let us REVIEW how life used to be. Life in the Sixteenth Century - (the 1500's)..... so much for being romantic.

Most people got married in June because they took their yearly bath May and were still smelling pretty good by June. However, they were starting to smell, so brides carried a "bouquet of flowers to hide the bad odor."

Baths equaled a big tub filled with hot water. The man of the house had the privilege of the nice clean water, then all the other sons and men, then the women and finally the children. Last of all the babies. By then the water was so dirty you could actually lose someone in it. Hence the saying, "Don't throw the baby out with the bath water."

Houses had thatched roofs. Thick straw piled high, with no wood underneath. It was the only place for animals to get warm, so all the pets...dogs, cats and other small animals, mice, rats, bugs lived in the roof. When it rained, it became slippery and sometimes the animals would slip and fall off the roof. Hence the saying, "It's raining cats and dogs."

There was nothing to stop things from falling into the house. This posed a real problem in the bedroom where bugs and other droppings could really mess up your nice clean bed. So, they found that if they made beds with big posts and hung a sheet over the top, it addressed that problem.

"Hence those beautiful big 4 poster beds with canopies."

The floor was dirt. Only the wealthy had something other than dirt Hence the saying "dirt poor."

The wealthy had slate floors, which would get slippery in the winter, so they spread thresh on the floor to help keep their footing. As the winter wore on they kept adding more thresh until when you opened the door it would all start slipping outside. A piece of wood was placed at the entryway, hence "threshold."

They cooked in the kitchen in a big kettle that always hung over the fire. Every day they lit the fire and added things to the pot. They mostly ate vegetables and didn't get much meat. They would eat the stew for dinner leaving leftovers in the pot to get cold overnight and then start over the next day. Sometimes the stew had food in it that had been in there for a month. Hence the rhyme: "peas porridge hot, peas porridge cold, peas porridge in the pot nine days old."

Sometimes they could obtain pork and would feel really special when that happened. When company came over; they would bring out some bacon and hang it to show it off. It was a sign of wealth and that a man "could really bring home the bacon."

They would cut off a little to share with guests and would all sit around and "chew the fat"

Those with money had plates made of pewter. Food with a high acid content caused some of the lead to leach onto the food. This happened most often with tomatoes, so they stopped eating tomatoes . . . for 400 years! Most people didn't have pewter plates, but had trenchers—a piece of wood with the middle scooped out like a bowl. Trenchers were never washed and a lot of times worms got into the wood. After eating off a wormy trencher, they would get "trench mouth."

Bread was divided according to status. Workers got the burnt bottom of the loaf, the family got the middle, and guests got the top, or the term "uppercrust."

Lead cups were used to drink ale or whiskey. The combination would sometimes knock them out for a couple of days. Someone walking along the road would take them for dead and prepare them for burial. They were laid out on the kitchen table for a couple of days and the family would gather around and eat and drink and wait and see if they would wake up. Hence the custom of holding a "wake."

England is old and small, and they started running out of places to bury people. So, they would dig up coffins and would take their bones to a house and re-use the grave. In reopening these coffins, one out of 25 coffins were found to have scratch marks on the inside and they realized they had been burying people alive. So they thought they would tie a string on their wrist and lead it through the coffin and up through the ground and tie it to a bell. Someone would have to sit out in the graveyard all night to listen for the bell. Hence on the "graveyard shift" they would know that someone was "saved by the bell" or he was a "dead ringer."

HISTORY OF THE MANOR AT TITSEY

The manor of Titsey was acquired in 1534 by John Gresham, one-time Lord Mayor of London and a member of the most prominent merchant dynasty in Tudor England. His elder brother Richard also became Lord Mayor of London. Born at Holt in Norfolk, like Dick Whittington, the Greshams moved to London in their early teens to seek their fortunes. They were very successful. John Gresham became a member of the Mercers' Company, one of the twelve Great Livery Companies, at an early age in 1517. He was prominent in "the trade with the Middle East (spices and silks) and the Baltic (timber and skins). He founded the Russia Company, to trade with that far-off and then little-known country, an initiative which was to lead later in the century to the signing of a commercial treaty between Elizabeth I and Ivan The Terrible. He was Sheriff of London and was knighted in 1537 and became Lord Mayor in 1547.

Like all his successful contemporaries he invested his new wealth in land, benefiting from the fluid land-market following the confiscation of church lands, and the dispersal of these and some of the old Crown estates to pay for Henry VIII's extravagant wars in France. Sir John bought the manors of Titsey, Tatsfield, Westerham, Lingfield and Sanderstead on the Kent-Surrey borders as well as other properties in Norfolk and Buckinghamshire leaving his successors a handsome estate the nucleus of which at Titsey has passed down intact to the present day. He was also a public benefactor supporting charities, providing feasts in the City, and founding and endowing Greshams School, at Holt, his birthplace, in Norfolk.

Sir John's nephew, Thomas, took on the Gresham mantle in the City He joined the Mercers Company, was knighted, and was prominent in overseas trade and banking. His greatest achievement was the Royal Exchange which he built in 1566 as the chief focus for the commerce of the City, on the model of Flemish and Italian examples. He continued his uncle's connexion with the Crown and worked as an agent in the Netherlands, gathering information and smuggling gold as well as trading and banking. He became a Chancellor to Elizabeth I, and gained the reputation that with him nothing was impossible. When the Queen came to stay with him at his new house at Osterley in Middlesex she criticised the courtyard for being too small, so in the middle of the night Gresham got some workmen in to knock down various walls and in the morning it was twice its previous size.

Sir John's eldest son William inherited his father's property in and around Titsey and devoted his time to improving the estate and building a new house there. No illustration of the latter exists, as it was largely demolished in the eighteenth century, apart from one small wing at the back which was kept as servants' quarters for the present house at Titsey.

The seventeenth century Greshams sat in Parliament as MPs and supported the King in the Civil War, suffering accordingly. In 1643 the house at Titsey was commandeered by the Parliamentarians but was later returned. At the Restoration in 1660 Charles II created Marmaduke Gresham a baronet as a reward for the family's support of the royalist cause
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Since the Grissom family started French, the History can end on a French note...or can it? Remember the village of Gresham was there before Ralph de Braunche gained control of it. and there is record of some activities of the earlier lord of the manor. According to **GAWYSI** [vol 11 # 2 April 1996 pp 45/45] this action took place in Ireland of all places.

"...We now see the first mention of the name **Gresham**. The Irish prince Brian Boru attempted to control the foreigners and in the process to secure the High Kingship. Brian found the road to power paved with suffering and reverses. However, in 968, with his brother Mathgamhain, he defeated the Norse of Limerick and sacked their rich commercial port. He had many victories against the Vikings. So Vikings from all the Norse realms..from Iceland to Normandy thronged to Ireland to challenge the High King Brian. they came from Viking England, Denmark, and Norway as well as troops from Orkney, the Hebrides, Isle of Man and Scotland. The Jarl [Earl] of York led a contingent, as did Uither Dubh from Cornwall, Grisine of the Flemings, and **Gresham** of the Normans and fought in the battle of Clontarf in **1014**. Before the day was over, there were 4,000 of the Irish found dead and 7,000 of the Norse. Even though the Vikings were routed in Ireland, the Normandy Vikings soon were to take over the rest of England. The **Gresham** mentioned in the battle of Clontarf was possibly from the **village of Gresham** in the north-east corner of England [Viking England] that had been settled by the Vikings earlier. The village of **Gresham** is said to have existed at the time of the Norman Conquest. Its owner and lord of the manor was Ulston [source The Church of All Saints Gresham that is given to people visiting the village of **Gresham** today]"

Now could it be that our Ralph was a relative of that Ulston of Gresham? Did Ralph's daddy or granddaddy engage in that 1014 battle in Ireland? Does the name Braunche mean what it sounds like? A branch of some family? Was Ralph granted a knight's fee for land that already belonged to his family? The population in those days was made up of a lot fewer people. Vikings from one place knew Vikings from another. There is more to be learned about this family, though this book is now finished.

The cousins thank you for reading this far. This was a joint effort discovering the history of one branch our family. We love you all and hope you will treasure our effort. Enjoy and add to it so your children and grandchildren will know who they are and where they came from.

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1800 Census for Fairfield County S. Car. for David Gresham

1830 Troup Co Ga Census

1850 CENSUS TALLAPOOSA CO. ALA

1850 Kemper Co Ms. Census

Author: 1850 Census Aug 21

Source Comments: Households 5,7 and 8 appear to make up a family group

1850 Lauderdale co Ms Census

Where to find source: Lauderdale Co Ms Courthouse

1850 Tallapoosa Co. Al. Census

1860 JONES COUNTY MS. CENSUS

Where to find source: Royce Stringer Files

1860 Lauderdale Co Ms Census

Source Comments: Isham Grissom is found living beside David Grissom. Isham is 80 years old. The entry shows the two households as 335/321 and 334/320. David's age est abt 63

1860 Smith Co Ms Census

Where to find source: Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers

1870 Jasper Co Census

1870 Jones Co Census

Where to find source: Royce Stringer Files

1870 Lauderdale co Ms Census

Source Comments: This is David's last appear on a census record.

1870 Smith Co Ms Census

Where to find source: Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers

1880 Jasper County Census

1880 Lauderdale Co Ms. Census

1880 Smith Co Ms Census

1900 Jones Co. Ms. Census

Where to find source: Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers

1900 Lauderdale Co Ms Census

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A HANDBOOK OF ENGLISH BANKERS

Author: F. G. Hilton Price F.G.S. F.R.D.S.

Publication info: Burt Franklin, New York 1876 Republished 1970 Library of Congress

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

Call Number: 77- 125634

A PEOPLE AND A NATION A History of the United States vol 1 to 1877

Author: Norton et al

Publication info: 3rd edition Houghton Mifflin Co Boston Copyright 1990

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

Alice Sumrall's Recollections

AN INDEX TO GEORGIA TAX DIGESTS. vol iv 1809-1811 Jones County Ga. 1911

Publication info: R. J. Taylor jr. Foundation. The Reprint Co. Spartanburg S Car. 1986

Source Comments: It would appear that in 1810 Isham Gresham was living in the same dwelling as David Gresham

ANCESTORS, SIBLINGS AND DESCENDANTS OF JAMES SHEPARD MONROE STRINGER

Author: Janice Roberts Walters

Publication info: unpublished

Where to find source: Royce Stringer Files

Source Comments: loose-leaf three ring notebook.

cc letter to Mrs. Benjamin. F. Hinton

Author: Mrs Minnie E Rynehart, Hogan

Publication info: 21 Aug 1932

Where to find source: Royce Stringer Files

Source Comments: Mrs Rynehart Hogan tells us she was born in 1853. She knew many of the people she describes in these letters.

Cecil Grissom Oral History

COLLIER'S ENCYCLOPEDIA

Author: Blair et al

Publication info: Macmillian 1991

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

Source Comments: description of both Normandy and Norfolk.

DICTIONARY OF NATIONAL BIOGRAPHY pp582-197 (quoted in GAWYSI vol 7 #3 pp79-81

Publication info: GAWYSI Vol 7 aug 1990 pp79-81

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

Source Comments: Birth date for Thomas Gresham founder of the Royal Exchange

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DYKES FAMILY HISTORY

Author: Wesley Critz Dykes

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

Source Comments: Wesley has supplied vital information on his family

EDWARD GRESHAM descendants

Author: Mary Jane Steinhagen

Publication info: maryjanes@worldnet.att.net

Edward Gresham Family Group Sheet

Author: Carl W. Williams

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

ENGLISH DUPLICATES OF LOST VIRGINIA RECORDS

Author: Louise Des Cognets

Publication info: 1958

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

FAMILY GROUP SHEET- MURRAY

Author: unknown

Where to find source: Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers

FAMILY GROUP SHEET MILT GRESHAM

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

FAMILY GROUP SHEET BENJ. C GRISSOM

Author: Nancy Hodge, granddaughter

Where to find source: Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers

FAMILY GROUP SHEET MYRTLE GRISSOM

Author: Debbie Buckhaults

Publication info: unpublished

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

Source Comments: Debbie is the granddaughter of Myrtle Grissom [Ishee]

FAMILY GROUP SHEET GEORGE WASHINGTON " WASH" GRISSOM JR.

Author: Beth Anderson [granddaughter]

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

FAMILY GROUP SHEET WILLIAM MONROE GRISSOM

Author: Katherine Gregg

Publication info: unpublished

Where to find source: Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers

FAMILY GROUP SHEETS WILLIAM GRISSOM

Author: John Gordon Grissom

Where to find source: Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers

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FAMILY GROUP SHEETS TROY GRESHAM

FAMILY GROUP SHEET--TUBBS

Author: Margaret Alcorn

Where to find source: Margaret Alcorn

FAMILY LINES

Author: Adelle Bartlett Harper

Publication info: Published privately, Atlanta, Ga.

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

FEDERAL ARCHIVES Bureau of Pensions Atl. Br.

Publication info: Federal Archives Ga

Source Comments: further research required .

GAWYSI vol X 1995

Author: Carol Grisham Byrom

Publication info: pub 4 times a year

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

GAWYSI Vol 1 1984

Where to find source: Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers

GAWYSI VOL 11 #3 JULY 1996 PAGES 85-86

Author: Carol Grisham Byrom

GAWYSI Vol. 11 #2 APR. 1996

Author: Carol Grisham Byrom

Publication info: Fort Worth, Texas

Source Comments: receiving a knight's fee indicates that Ralph was indeed a knight and held the title of knight, hence he would be called "Sir".

GAWYSI vol 11 #2 APR 1996

Author: Carol Grisham Byrom

Publication info: Fort Worth, Texas

GAWYSI vol 11 #3

Author: Carol Grisham Byrom

GAWYSI vol 11 #3 July 1996

GAWYSI vol 11 #3 1996

Author: Carol Byrom

Publication info: vol 11 July 1996

GAWYSI Vol 11 #3 July 1996

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Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

GAWYSI Vol VII Aug 1990 pages 79-81

Source Comments: A description of the burial of Sir John is given

GAWYSI Vol VI Feb 1990

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

GAWYSI vol X #2 1995 pp52-66

Author: Carol Gresham Byrom

Publication info: newsletter Vol X #2 1995

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

Source Comments: Isham Gresham appears to have been the son of David Gresham. He is found living with or near by David until he departs Ga and moves to Kemper county Ms.

GAWYSI vol. 11 #4 Oct 1996

Author: Carol Grisham Byrom

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

Source Comments:

Genealogical Memoranda Relating to the Family of Gresham

Author: Grandville Leveson Gower Esq. F. S. A.

Publication info: [not published]

Where to find source: Michell & Hughes

George Washington Grissom Death Certificate

Author: Dr.. Stringer attending phys.

George Washington Grissom Muster Roll

Source Comments: There are 4 photo copied Muster Rolls. George Washington Grissom is also listed as George Washington Grisham.

George Washington Grissom tombstone

Source Comments: Tombstone shows birth date and date of death

GRASSROOTS

Author: Roger A. Gresham

Publication info: 1986

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

Source Comments: book contains source material for the Gresham family in England.

Gregg papers

GRESHAM'S FAMILY RECORD

Author: Dr. Albert H. Gresham And Peter Haas Gresham

Publication info: Nashville, Tenn. 12 Oct 1887

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Where to find source: GAWYSI Vol X #3 July 1995

GRISHAM LETTER 1855

Author: Reverend Joseph Grisham

Publication info: GAWYSI VOL 1

Where to find source: Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers

GRISSOM

Author: Christine G. Brown

Publication info: privately published

Where to find source: Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers

HINTON BOOK Vol II

Where to find source: Royce Stringer Files

HINTON BOOK vol I

HISTORY OF JONES COUNTY MISSISSIPPI

Author: H. H. Daniel

Publication info: Laurel Jones County Genealogical Library

Call Number: G 929.376 255 D189[h or n - not sure]

Source Comments: description of land grant for James Grissom

INDEX TO WAR OF 1812 SERVICE RECORDS For Volunteer Soldiers from Georgia

Author: abstracted by -Judy Swaim Kratovil.

Publication info: Atlanta Ga, 1986

Source Comments: Isham appears in this document under three different spellings for his surname....Gresham, Grisham and Grissom. The preferred spelling for most family members is Grissom although The use of Gresham as a surname is still in use in some branches of Isham's family

J. H. Grissom Civil War Pension Application

Source Comments: In 1924, is the date on the application form. John is about 72 years old. It states that he enlisted in the summer of 1862. This is one year after his brother Geoge Washington Grissom enlisted.

JACKSON DAILEY NEWS

Publication info: Dailey newspaper published in Jackson, Ms.

Jane Etheridge [oral history]

Author: Alice and David Grissom

Source Comments: Both David and Alice have stated that Jane was the daughter of a J. Etheridge C.S.A. who was killed in action. One known brother for Jane was Christopher Etheridge.

Jasper County Georgia Marriage book 1810-1820

Author: unknown

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JASPER COUNTY MISSISSIPPI CEMETERIES 1833-1998

Author: Jones County Genealogy & Historical Org, Inc.
Publication info: Bay Springs Jasper County Public Library
Where to find source: Bay Springs Ms. Library

Katherine Gregg records

Katherine Gregg[[oral history]

Where to find source: Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers

LAUDERDALE COUNTY MISSISSIPPI MARRIAGE RECORDS

Where to find source: Lauderdale Co Ms Courthouse

Lauderdale County. Marriage Records - Book 1 - A

Where to find source: Lauderdale Co Ms Courthouse
Source Comments: Although George Washington Grissom is living in Lauderdale Co. Ms. at the time of his marriage, he will have moved to Jasper County Ms. by the time the 1880 census is taken

LAUREL-LEADER CALL

Publication info: Laurel Ms daily new paper
Where to find source: Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers

LINEAGE BOOK Gresham Any Way You Spell It

Author: Carol Stoffel
Where to find source: Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers

LOT ROGERS FAMILY

Author: Gay Everett Coalier
Publication info: privately published
Where to find source: Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers

Lauderdale co Ms tax rolls 1840

Source Comments: this list of taxes is the first mention of David in Ms.

Mary Grissom Roland Oral Report

Author: Mark Roland
Source Comments: Data regarding death and burial of his mother Mary Grissom Roland

MEMORIES OF WWII

Author: David Grissom
Publication info: privately published
Where to find source: WAR MUSEUM

MY ANCESTORS Came with the CONQUEROR

Author: Anthony J. Camp
Publication info: Genealogical Pub Co Inc 1993
Source Comments: Branche is an alternate spelling of Braunche. This appears to be a

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reference to Ralph de Branch Gresham. It suggests that man is not proved to have come to England with William the Conqueror.

MY ANCESTORS Came with the CONQUEROR

Author: Anthony J. Camp

Publication info: Genealogy Publishing co Inc. 1998

Source Comments: William de Warrenne appears to be the liege lord of Ralph de Branch.

ninalee@tecinfo.com

Author: Kimberly Powers

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

Notes of James Henry Grissom

Author: Jim Grissom and his sister Catherine Grissom Gregg

Source Comments: Catherine and her brother were in contact with people in Lauderdale Co. Ms. who had prior knowledge of Amanda Grissom Coats

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Patricia M Shows

Publication info: Hwy 28 W. Laurel, Ms. 39440

PERRY COUNTY ALA RECORDS

Where to find source: Perry County Court House

Source Comments: photo copy of marriage bond extant

Personal recollection Cecil Grissom

Author: Cecil Grissom

Roland, Mark Oral Report

Source Comments: Personal interview

Royce Stringer Research

Where to find source: Royce Stringer Files

RYNEHART LETTER

Author: Mrs Minnie Rynehart Hogan

Publication info: 21 July 1932

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

SHIRLEY NORMAN GUNN

STATEMENT OF HEIRS AT LAW OF JAMES GRISSOM

Author: Deavors Grissom

Publication info: unpublished

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

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TALBERT LETTER TO KATHERINE GREGG

Author: Mary Talbert

Publication info: private letter

Where to find source: Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers

THE GRESHAMS OF AMERICA AND ACROSS THE SEA

Author: Alexander Taylor Strange

Publication info: 1913

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

THE KINGS AND QUEENS OF ENGLAND AND SCOTLAND

Author: Plantagenet Somerset Fry

Publication info: Grove Weindenfield, New York, 1990

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

THE NORMAN HERITAGE 1055-1200

Author: Trevor Rawley

Publication info: Routledge & Kegan Paul Lond 1983

Source Comments: Ralph de Braunche(Gresham) is reputed to have come from this same region.,The Caux

THE POST

Author: Taylorsville, Ms

Where to find source: Katherine Grissom Gregg Private Papers

THE VICTORIA HISTORY OF THE COUNTIES OF ENGLAND

Author: Dawson of Pall Mall

Publication info: The University of London Institute of Historical Research 1967

Where to find source: Cecil Grissom Private Library

Source Comments: Tanridge Hundred Limpsfield

Tracking Ancestors

Author: Anne Lavers

Publication info: Grange Books The Grange Yard London S E 1 3 A G ISBN 1-85627-928-6

Source Comments: The above notation is made to explain the reason for such an odd birth date for Ralph de Branche. 1050-1079 is the time frame for the generation into which he was born

unknown

Vital Records for the Mary Sumrall Roland Family

Author: Mark Roland

Vital records for James Henry Grissom Family

Author: Marilyn Grissom

Vital Records for Marilyn Grissom

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Author: Marilyn Grissom

Wade A. Stringer Families [oral history]

Author: Stringer. Royce "Johnny"

WHO MARRIED WHOM , JASPER COUNTY

Author: Strickland and Edwards [compilers]

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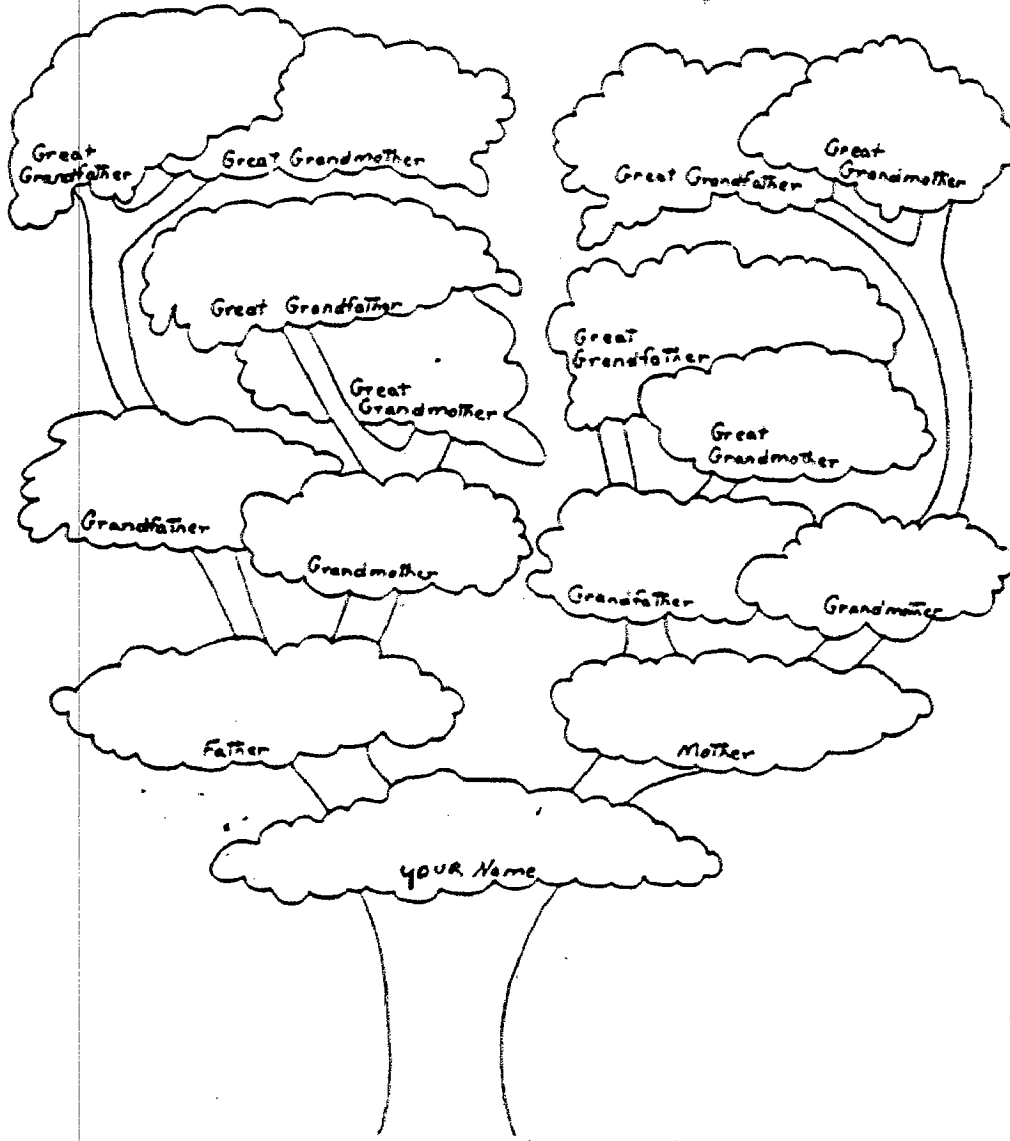
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