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## Are You A Serious Family Researcher?

What kind of family history researcher are you? Most of us are *late starters*. We wait to start doing this thing after all our relatives who know anything factual are dead. I'm not asking about that kind. I'm wondering how serious you are and how you are sticking with it.

The *family reunion variety* of "researcher" gets interested in his family's history once a year. He lets his cousin do the work.

The *passing interest variety* can dig out the three-generation charts they put together ten years ago before they got discouraged and became interested in something else.

The *curious with computer variety* is the newest. This person has found something new to do with the computer. They become fascinated with all the people they can contact who can tell them something about their surname and even some who have done research on their line. They are convinced that their computer is *the* road to successful ancestor hunting.

The *serious researcher* owns a "how to" book and has probably attended a seminar or class on genealogy. They write lots of letters and travel to court houses, libraries, and cemeteries in other states. They may or may not have a computer, but they know the computer is one of many valuable tools to help with genealogy correspondence, record keeping, and understanding of relationships. Their interest may come in "spurts" but they have the patience to stay with the search year after year.

We hope the *serious researchers* are the ones who stay with *Sanders Siftings* and help everyone else. ■

Don Schaefer, *editor*

## A Sanders Family—Northants (England) To Texas In 500 years; Part IV (Final)

This is Part IV and the final part of a series of articles on the history of Sanders who started in Northhamptonshire (Northants), England, and came to the Virginia, then to East Texas. This is from a recently published book by Howard K. Sanders of Nashville, Tennessee, titled *A SANDERS FAMILY—Northants to Texas in 500 Years*.

### Chapter V

#### "GTT"—GONE TO TEXAS

The eldest son of Thomas and Elizabeth Saunders was Stanford L., born in 1800. As noted previously, Stanford was one of seventeen children. The second child of Stanford and his wife, Martha Lebow, was Joel Kyle who was born in 1824. Joel K. married Amy Delane Maness and in 1857 they left the environs of McNairy County, Tennessee, bound for Texas.

There was a significant movement of Tennesseans to the Lone Star State in that time period. It is best illustrated by an anecdote of the origin of the expression, "GTT." The story goes that the people in Tennessee who were anxious to move on to better land, or newer opportunities would merely close up their houses and, with the charcoal left from their last cooking fire, write the letters "GTT" on their front door—Gone To Texas. Some have opined that Joel's reason for leaving might have been because of a political rift in the family, possibly caused by the oncoming war between the states. (Thus far, no documentation for this has been found.)

They settled in a community known as Center Hill in Houston County, Texas. The community was located approximately five miles north of Lovelady and two miles east of Highway 19, the route which links Lovelady with Crockett, nine miles to the north. It is situated on an unpaved north south road which is referred to as the "Old Lovelady Road." All that remains of the community is the

cemetery which is still referred to locally as the Center Hill Graveyard.

Ultimately, the family of Joel and Amy would grow to 13.

As Joel Kyle arrived, "East Texas was the epitome of frontier living at that time. During the early part of the 19th century, settlers from the Southern United States began heading west, driven by their pioneering spirits and lured by the chance to make a new start. When they crossed the Sabine River into Texas they found dense forests laced with innumerable swamps and creeks. Some turned back discouraged by the gloomy atmosphere of the forest and the difficulty of traveling through the trees. Others pressed westward—toward the prairies. But many stayed, finding areas in which to settle and avoiding the forbidding big thicket and the sterile soils of the 'pine barrens.'

"Nature was good to these early-day East Texans. There was clean water and plenty of wood for their houses. Abundant deer, turkeys and squirrels meant plenty of fresh meat for the table. Bears provided meat also, and bear fat was good cooking oil. Settlers trapped beavers, otters, opossums and raccoons and sold the skins or used them for bartering.

"There were pesky animals as well. Green-and-yellow birds known as Carolina parakeets ravaged the farmer's corn fields and picked their fruit trees bare. Panthers roamed the thickets and swamps, and a lanky, foxlike wolf—the red wolf—inhabited the pine and bottomland hardwood forests.

"By the time the 19th century drew to a close deer had declined dramatically in number and turkeys soon would be gone altogether. Squirrels were far less abundant than they had been, and beavers and otters had almost disappeared.

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## Joel Sanders, Civil War Veteran, Dies In 1935 At Home in Bogard, Missouri

Submitted by Teresa McMillan, 1900 Shorewood Lane, Mound. MN 55364 1317, [tmcmillanb@worldnet.att.net]. From newspaper in Carrollton, Mo.

"Joel Sanders, 89 years old, one of the few surviving Civil War veterans in Carroll Co, died suddenly at his home in Bogard, Wednesday morning, February 6, 1935 at 9:00 o'clock.

"Mr. Sanders arose at the usual hour Wednesday morning and ate a hearty breakfast. Following this, as was his custom, he lay down on a day-bed for a few minutes' rest. Shortly afterward his daughter, Miss Laura A. Sanders, entered the room and spoke to her father. When he did not answer she investigated and found him dead.

"Mr. Sanders was born near Painy, Ill., October 20, 1845, the son of Joel and Jennie Sanders, of Kentucky. His grandfather was a soldier under General Washington in the Revolutionary War. At the age of two years he moved with his parents to Adair county, Kentucky, where he lived until he was 15 years of age, when the family moved to Morgan county, Indiana, and resided there until 1862. In August, 1862, at Indianapolis, he enlisted in the Thirty-Third Indiana regiment, being only 17 years old at the time. He served with gallantry in the Union army through the Civil War and was honorably discharged at Louisville, Ky., in 1865.

"February 14, 1866, Mr. Sanders was married to Miss America Sebastian. Nine children were born of the union, three of whom are living: Arthur D. of Bogard, Miss Laura A. of the home, and Luther G. Sanders of Frederick, Oklahoma.

"Besides the children he leaves six grandchildren: Mrs. Leona Glaze, Bogard; Louis Clinton Sanders, Chicago; Mrs. Grace Joiner, Miss Pearl Sanders, both of Frederick, Okla.; Miss Reta and Miss Elva Sanders, both of Rochester, N.Y.

"The wife, three children, Mary Lula, Elvert G. and Melvin G. Sanders, preceded him in death, together with three other children who died in infancy.

"In his earlier years Mr. Sanders traveled extensively, residing for a time in Oklahoma, later in New Mexico. In 1889, he went to the first opening of the Indian territory for settlement, and was



Joel Sanders (1845-1935)

one of the original boomers. The latter years of his life were spent on a farm near Bogard and in the town itself.

"Mr. Sanders cast his first vote for U.S. Grant.

"In 1874, Mr. Sanders united with the Baptist church, which membership he retained until 1909, when he united with the Christian church, in which organization he retained his membership until death.

"Despite the fact that he was denied a proper education due to the privations of the early days, Mr. Sanders was a self-made man in the truest sense. He was a man of more than ordinary native ability and overcame obstacles that at times seemed insurmountable. He stood high among his fellow men, creating for himself a reputation for industry, thrift, and integrity, which won for him the admiration of all with whom he was associated." ■

Betty Jo McDaniels, 2566 Virginia Beach Blvd., Virginia Beach, VA 23452, [HJHT62A@prodigy.com]. Searching for the family of Joseph Sanders, m. 22 Sep 1831, Wythe Co., Va., to Matilda Fry, b.18 Oct 1812, Wythe Co., Va., d/o Valentine Fry and Mary Catherine Yonce. Can share/exchange Fry family info. Nothing so far on the Sanders family. ■

## More About The Litchfield Library

Interest has been high in the Sanders/Saunders collection in the Litchfield, Illinois, Library since the valuable volumes put together by Walter Sanders were made known to readers in the April 1997 issue of *Sanders Siftings*.

Reader John Konvalinka put me in touch with David Jackson, a resident of Litchfield who was instrumental in getting the Walter Sanders' collection in the Litchfield Library.

David is a former editor of the *News-Herald*, a local newspaper, and a former student of Walter Sanders who was a high school teacher in Litchfield from 1941 to 1969. Walter Sanders died Feb. 23, 1984. The following is from a column David Jackson wrote in the *News-Herald* shortly after Walter's widow died in 1995:

"Among Litchfield's treasures, certainly, must be included the late Walter R. Sanders, a high school history teacher, officer and member of the Illinois and the Montgomery County Genealogical Societies, family and professional genealogist, author and compiler, and friend to a generation of high school pupils during their time in school and thereafter.

"He was born in Litchfield, a son of the late Ray E. and Maude Blanche Sanders, attended local schools, and after graduation from Litchfield High School attended Illinois College in Jacksonville, matriculated to the University of Illinois where he was granted the BA and MA degrees.

"It was probably his inspiration of high school pupils for which he is most remembered. During the years, especially just after World War II, he dispatched crews of high school pupils to cemeteries throughout the area to transcribe information from all of the tombstones."

A scholarship fund in memory of Walter Sanders has been established and gifts may be addressed to David A. Jackson, 17 Northcrest Drive, Litchfield, IL 62056-1372.

More on Walter Sanders later. ■

Don Schaefer, *editor*

## A Sanders Family

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"The region known as East Texas covers some 24 million acres from the Louisiana border to the Trinity River. Far to the east is the 'Pineywoods,' where low-lying pine forests line the major rivers and tributaries. In the southeastern pineywoods lies the Big Thicket, a mass of pines and hardwoods, subtropical jungles, cacti and yucca. Moving west toward the Trinity River, the landscape becomes more open. Oaks, elms and pecan trees occupy a slightly higher elevation. This area, the post oak savannah, is a transitional region between the forest and the prairie.

"Predator populations were the first to feel the effects of human exploitation as settlers began arriving in the area. There had been a few jaguars or 'leopard cats' as well as some mountain lions, known as panthers, when the first settlers reached East Texas. The jaguars were gone by the early to mid-1800s. Panthers had disappeared by the turn of the century, although to this day people claim to hear them scream on dark East Texas nights. The black bear was mostly gone by 1900, although a few remained until the depression.

"The red wolf hung on longer than the other predators, but finally succumbed to habitat loss, predator control and interbreeding with coyotes. Once common over the eastern half of the state, by 1973 they had retreated to a 1,700-square-mile area along the Texas and Louisiana coast.

"Prior to 1900, human settlement had little impact. Settlers cleared a piece of land, farmed it until it was worn out, then moved on and cleared another piece of land while the old land grew into brush. But with the turn of the century came a population boom. Many East Texas counties had more people in 1900 than they have today. This large human population 'lived off the land' and hunting was heavy on deer and turkeys. With the Great Depression in 1929, people who had hunted for sport began hunting with even more intensity out of necessity to feed their families."<sup>1</sup>

It was into that environment that Joel Pinkney Sanders was born to Joel Kyle and Amy Sanders on February 22, 1867. He married Mary Frances Wise, born November 19, 1871, and they had six

children, of whom four survived and had families of their own. Those children were Vernon, Wilma, Howard and Elma. Joel Pinkney (Pink, as he was called) had a chair factory and sold chairs to most of the residents of Lone Pine, Stingey Corner, Prairie Point, Cut, Shiloh and Lovelady and Crockett. These chairs were typical of the times, made of wood with cowhide bottoms. Pink had quite a reputation as a hunter, rifleman and all around sportsman. In fact, his liking for the sport of fishing cost him his life. He, Adam Leediker and a Mr. Burton were fishing from a small wooden rowboat, just below the wickets of the Upper Lock and Dam on Trinity River when they were pulled into a whirlpool caused by the water rushing over the wickets of the dam. The boat capsized and sank, drowning both Pink and Mr. Burton. Adam Leediker was helped ashore by a black woman fishing from the nearby bank with a long cane pole which she extended to him. Ironically, he was the only one of the three who couldn't swim. This occurred on June 3, 1927. Mary Frances had died earlier, on January 9, 1909, reportedly of "dropsy." Pink never remarried. Thus far there is no clue as to Mary Frances' lineage.

Guy Vernon Sanders, oldest son of Joel Pinkney and Mary Frances Wise Sanders, was born on November 13, 1895, in Houston County Texas. Vernon, the name by which he was always called, married Sarah Louise Leediker, the daughter of Adam and Josephine Leediker. His occupation was variously school teacher, grocer, farmer, rancher and Tax Assessor Collector of Houston County. He was always highly respected from within the family as well as throughout the county. Although never a candidate for public office he was a constant factor in the politics of the county, state and national elections (e.g., a strong LBJ supporter).

He was an avid quail hunter and an excellent shotgun shooter, regularly taking the limit and once took ten birds with only eleven shots. He enjoyed other sports as well, particularly major league baseball which he followed to his death. As a fisherman, he liked all types from trotline to bait casting. He was particularly fond of overnight fishing trips to Trinity River and the overflow lakes in the western part of Houston County. The usual routine was setting and bait-

ing the trotlines, then playing dominoes until time to run the lines and rebait. This went on to the early hours of the morning.

A very skilled "horse trader," he bought and sold cattle as successfully as anyone in the county. But, he operated so conservatively that he never accumulated the size operations as did others of his era. Worth noting, however, he never went broke as did many of the others.

He was very much a part of the community "crony club" who played dominoes at Ernest Brasher's store. This was an every Sunday afternoon affair and often on Saturday as well. He enjoyed a bond with the other men of the community unlike anything experienced in today's social culture. All of them were working hard and trying to survive the 1930s as best they could. Available recreation was simple and necessarily without cost, but that certainly did not detract from the enjoyment.

He was diagnosed with cancer of the middle ear in early 1953 and subsequently died on November 28, of that same year at the age of 58. Louise died of congestive heart failure in 1976 at the age of 82.

The children of Vernon and Louise are Dorothy Vernon Sanders Watkins and Howard Karl Sanders. Dorothy was married to Buford Marvin Watkins and two children were born to that marriage, Bruce Howard and Paula Ruth. Howard, the author of this work, was married to Betty Lou Wiederhold and two children were born to that marriage, Karla Gayle and Teri Lynn.

### End Notes:

1. Periodical, "Texas Parks and Wildlife," December 1991.

Questions? Perhaps you think your Sanders may be connected with those in this series of articles that were in East Texas or in McNairy County, Tennessee? Check with the author, Col. Howard K. Sanders, 5409 Franklin Road, Nashville, TN 37220, e-mail at [HKSanders@aol.com](mailto:HKSanders@aol.com) ■

The next issue of *Sanders Siftings* will feature some stories from *The Sanders Family of Eastern Kentucky* by Mary Donna Ratliff Foley, October 1996. Her history covers the descendants of Thomas Jefferson Sanders and Elizabeth McBrayer. The history starts with Jacob Sanders (c1760-70) in Floyd County, Kentucky. ■

# Descendants of "Mitchell" Sanders with Cherokee Connections

Compiled by Charlotte M. Meyer, 212 N. Eliza St., Maquoketa, IA 52080, [cmmeyer@caves.net]. Most of the information came from a professional Cherokee genealogist.

## First Generation

Michael "Mitchell" Sanders was born before 1773 "of Virginia." Michael married Susie or Susannah. Susie was born about 1749. She died after 1820. Of the Bird Clan. Michael and Susie had the following children:

1. George Sanders was born abt 1772.
2. Alexander Jeremiah Sanders was born about 1773 in Canasauga River, I.T. East, Ga. "One of eight children." Killed Chief Doublehead at Hiwasee Ferry, summer of 1807.
3. Agnes "Aggy" Sanders. "Seventh of eight children." Agnes married Jacob Alberty.
4. Nannie or Nancy Sanders was born 15 Jul 1782 in I.T. East, Ga. "One of eight children."

## Second Generation

George Sanders was born abt 1772 in Cherokee Nation, Gilmer, I.T. East, Ga. 1/2 breed Cherokee. About 57 years old in 1829. Born and raised in the south-eastern Cherokee Nation. He and his brother Alexander were living at Suwanee Old Town in 1807 & 1808. Ref: Dec. 1829, Gen. John Coffee's papers. Microfilm reel 101-3 at the Geo. Dept. of Archives and History/frame 479. Was a signer of the treaty of July 8, 1817. He was one of the commission to "lay off" New Echota, capitol of the Cherokee Nation, East in 1825. Owned 38 slaves. George married Jennie Pritchett, daughter of John "Keeshukon" Pritchett in 1799 in Cherokee Nation. Jennie was born about 1773 in Scar Corn Creek, Gilmer, I.T. East, Ga. She died 6 Oct 1845 in I.T. West, Okla. George and Jennie had the following children:

1. Elsie Sanders was born about 1794. Elsie married Maxwell Chambers.
2. Walter Sanders was born about 1795 in Gilmer?, I.T. East, Ga. Before removal believed to have lived on Coosawatie River, Ga. Owned 2 slaves. Walter married Sallie.
3. Samuel Sanders. Sam lived in Going-snake Dist. Was a member of the First Indian Home Guard of the Cherokee. Samuel married Cheo Ka-Yoo-A Meanman in Going Snake, I.T.
4. James "Jim" Sanders was born about 1796/1799.

5. Nannie Sanders was born about 1800. Nannie married Joseph Spears.

6. Elizabeth Sanders was born about 1802. Had no children.

7. Nicholas Byers Sanders was born about 1804. He died after 1862 in Indian Territory, Okla. Was member of First Indian Home Guard Regiment of the Cherokee, during Civil War. Private in Company E. Nicholas married Sallie Eagle.

8. Jesse Sanders was born 1820 in Cherokee Nation, I.T. East. He died 4 May 1887 in Cherokee, Indian Territory, Okla. Member of the First Indian Home Guard Regiment of the Cherokee, during the Civil War. Buried Sec. 26, T16N, Cherokee County. Jesse married Caroline Catron.

## Third Generation

James "Jim" Sanders was born about 1796/1799 in Gilmer County, Indian Territory. He died in Tahlequah, Indian Territory, Okla. Known as Jim Sanders. Listed as having slaves, and lived on Mill Creek, in Ga., before removal, where agents listed his improvements to the amount of \$207.50. After removal, lived in Tahlequah Dist. Drennen #Tahl.21. James married Dorcas Fields in Mud Creek, Ga. James and Dorcas had the following children:

1. Lucinda Jane "Jennie" Sanders. Lucinda married Levi Keys.
2. George Osceola Sanders. George married Elizabeth Brewer.
3. William J. Sanders was born about 1835 and died 1896.
4. Black-Dog "Samuel" Sanders.
5. Elizabeth Sanders.
6. James M. Too-Cah Sanders. It is documented that Too-Cah had 2 children, William and Mary. But it is not sure to which mother these children belonged. The first has been placed to the first wife and the second to the second wife until added information is obtained. Drennen-21. James married (1) Catherine Bartiste. James also married (2) Keziah James.
7. Dull-Hoe Sanders. Drennen-21.
8. John M. Sanders was born 1854 in Tahlequah, I. T., Okla. G.M #862. Lived in Wauhilla in 1906. Listed as first cousin to James Sanders/20747Dawes/Guion Miller 10399. Listed as first cousin to Nicholas Smith Sanders also. (Actual relationship is uncle to N. S. Sanders.)
9. Sah-Nee Sanders.
10. La-We Sanders.

## Fourth Generation

William J. Sanders was born about 1835 in Tahlequah, Indian Territory, Okla. He died 1896. Listed on Drennen

Roll #21 with family. Death date listed in *Carselowey Early Settlers*, pg. 50. William married (1) Elizabeth Hildebrand, daughter of John Hildebrand and Micatiah Terrapin. Elizabeth died before 1900. William and Elizabeth had the following children:

1. Nicholas Smith Sanders was born 21 Sep 1860 and died 15 Apr 1945.
2. Marmaduke Sanders.

William also married (2) Mary Crittenden.

## Fifth Generation

Nicholas Smith Sanders was born 21 Sep 1860 in Wauhilla, Indian Territory, Okla. He died 15 Apr 1945 in Shawnee, Pottawatomie Co, Okla. and was buried in Atoka, Okla. Roll number is 23642. Dawes roll number is 6939. Nicholas enrolled at Pryor, on 13 Sep 1900, at the age of 39. Previous enrollment 1880 Tahl.2032(2181). Listed as N.S. 3/4 Cherokee. Also listed on 1896 roll #4248 as Nicholas S. -Father listed as William - Mother Eliz. - both dead. Wife listed as Fannie, non-citizen, age 39. Was previously enrolled as 1896 in CooweScoo-Wee District, #909. Enrolled on Guion Miller Roll #11258 - also listed first cousin #862, John M. Sanders, of Wau-hillau. Parents listed as Drennen Tahl, 21. Nicholas married Clarinda Frances Doctor, daughter of Martin Henry Doctor and Lovina Kellogg on 8 Jun 1889 in Atoka, Okla. Clarinda was born 16 Aug 1861 in Hunnewell, Mo. She died 5 Nov 1911 in Pryor, Okla. Nicholas and Clarinda had one child, Irene Sanders, born 25 Apr 1890, died 13 Jan 1964.

## Sixth Generation

Irene Sanders was born 25 Apr 1890 in Pryor Creek, Indian Territory, Okla. She died 13 Jan 1964 in Imola, Calif. and was buried in Oklahoma City, Okla. Roll number is 23643. Dawes roll number is 6940. 3/8 Cherokee. Listed on Dawes at age of 10. Guion Miller Roll - enrolled at age of 16 with father, Nicholas Smith Sanders. Irene married Louis Fleming Dotson, son of Louis (Luke) Dodson and Laura Fleming on 22 Jun 1914 in Pryor, Okla. Louis was born 13 Dec 1886 in Nacogdoches, Tex. He died 22 Aug 1954 in Shawnee, Okla. Luke and Irene had one child, Mary Louise Dotson. ■

## This Joel Sanders May Have Been Son of Jonas and Hannah

Patricia L Vroman, 15825-19th Ave NE, Arlington, WA 98223, [kczm36a@prodigy.com] is looking for anyone who has information on the Joel Sanders/Saunders family. I feel that Joel may be the son of Jonas and Hannah Sanders and was born abt 1799/1800 in Vermont. Joel married Sarah "Sally" Little around 1820 in New York. Their children are as follows:

1. William Henry, b. abt 1825 in N.Y., married (1) Sarah French in Mich., married (2) Catherine Ferguson in Iowa. They came out west via the Oregon Trail, settling in Washington State.

2. Caroline E., b. abt 1826 in N.Y., married Austin Keeney abt 1845 in Mich. and had the following children: Clyneha, b. abt 1846; Josephine, abt 1849; Helen, abt 1851; Hortense, abt 1854; Almina, abt 1857; and Henry, abt 1860—all in Mich. I do not know where they moved after 1860. In 1860 they lived at Kent Co, Mich.

3. Nathaniel, b. abt 1830 in N.Y. married Harriet J. ?. According to the 1860 census they had two children: Julietta, b. abt 1855 Mich.; and Ella F, b. abt 1858 Mich. In 1860 the family lived in Kent Co., Mich. but have been unable to locate them after that period of time.

4. Philorous, b. abt 1831 married Mary S. ?. No other information.

5. Jane Ann, b. 1845 in Mich., married Andrew Misner 1858 in Kent Co, Mich. Children: 1870 Mich. census lists Harvey, b. 1859 Mich. and Janietta, b. 1862 Mich. Where did they move after 1870?

6. Julia, b. 23 Dec 1840 Livingston Co, Mich., married Lewis J. Moore 2 Sep 1860 in Kent Co, Mich. They had four children, William, b. abt 1862 Mich.; Eugene, b. 15 Aug 1863 Montcalm Co., Mich.; Everetta, b. abt 1868, Montcalm, Mich.; and Eveline, b. 15 Nov 1874 in North Dakota. After their children were born the Moores moved to Latah, Wash., where Julia died in 1905 and Lewis died in 1907.

7. Sarah L. was born abt 1845 at Vergennes, Kent Co, Mich. and died 16 June 1861. Sarah and her parents are buried at Foxes Corner at Vergennes Twp, Kent Co., Mich.

Joel died Dec 26, 1870 and his wife,

### Siftings Back Issues Available

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A copy of issue No. 1, April, 1995, will be included free with any order for a back issue. ■

## Need Information on James Tulley Sanders, Missouri

Gale A. Cottrell, 29 Green Lake Dr., Orchard Park, N.Y. 14127, [TCotr9698@aol.com]. Sanders, James Tulley b. Kentucky, 32 on 1850 census, Taney Co., Mo. He was listed as a deputy marshal on the census. Married to Elizabeth Price. Elizabeth and the two boys died in 1857 due to an epidemic in Taney Co., Mo. Obit mentioned her leaving three daughters and an infant son. Children: M.M., William Harvey, Frank Lawrence, M.E. and Priscilla A., b. 1 Jan. 1853, Forsyth, Taney Co., Mo., and James. Priscilla married Josiah G. Danforth, 18 June 1871, Springfield, Mo. Priscilla A. is my gg-grandmother. M.M. and Priscilla ended up living with their mother's sister Priscilla Price Danforth (she had married John Danforth, uncle of Josiah mentioned above) in Springfield, Mo. Need info on what happened to the sisters and their father James T. Sanders. One son, M. M. Sanders, was nine on the 1850 Taney Co., Mo. census. He married 6 May 1858, A. E. Ridge in Springfield, Mo. ■

Sally, died June 14, 1856. In Joel's last will and testament it states that he bequeathed to his son Philorous and William the sum of one dollar while the rest of the children received Joel's inheritance. Does anyone know why? I would appreciate corresponding with anyone out there who knows anything about this family and where the children migrated to after they left Michigan.

I also have a picture of a Walter and Malory Sanders taken at Castle Rock, Wash., possibly taken in the late 1800s. I do not know how he fits into the family. I would be willing to send a copy of this picture to anyone who is related to this couple. ■

## Looking for Stephen Eugene Sanders

Laura W. Griffith, 250 Terrane Ridge, Peachtree City, GA 30269-4020, [laurawg@mindspring.com] is searching for parents of Stephen Eugene Sanders b. 1822, Tenn. His father was born in N.C. (from census). Stephen m. 1st to Nancy Carraway (b. 1822) in 1849. It is possible that they lived in the Murfreesboro, Tenn. area at one time. Their children were: W.H., b. abt 1850; Anne, b. abt 1852; George, b. abt 1854; Albert Lee, b. abt 1856; James B., b. abt 1858; Stephen Frank, b. abt 1860; Sam P., b. abt 1863; Allen; and Alford, b. abt 1865 (twins). Nancy Carraway Sanders died sometime after the birth of the twins. Stephen Eugene Sanders married a second time before 1882 to Mary Elizabeth Castleman (b. 1848, Tenn.; died about 1919 in Dresden, Tenn.). Stephen and Mary E. Castleman Sanders had the following "known" children: (1) Mattie Florence, born 1887 who married Charles Albert McGill in 1905 and farmed in west Tenn. (Madison Co.)—several children (my line); (2) Pearl, born 1884, who married Walter Rhyther; (3) Sewell "Lice" Sanders, born abt. 1882. ■

## Teresa McMillian Needs Information on James S. Sanders, Born in Virginia

Teresa McMillian, 1900 Shorewood Lane, Mound, MN 55364-1317, [tmcmillanb@worldnet.att.net]. Looking for information about James S. Sanders b. 1786 in Va., do not know what county. This James married a Mary, also from Va., probably sometime 1804-1807. By 1810 this couple is in Adair Co, Ky. Do not know where this marriage took place. Do not know where in Virginia to look for this couple. I know there were emigrants from Buckingham Co, Va. in Adair Co, Ky. at the same time. (Emigration route of my Thomas ancestors) There is also a John Sanders b. 1772 in Cabarrus Co, N.C. who is in Adair Co, Ky. in 1810. John's older children were born in Wilkes Co, N.C. Cannot figure out if there is a connection here. Anyone else looking at Sanders in Virginia in the late 1700s who recognizes this James & Mary as "missing"? ■

## ASSORTED QUERIES . . .

Susan Saunders, 1267 N. 4469th Road, Earlville, IL 60518-6124 is looking for information on 4g-grandparents, Gunnell Saunders (b. 10 Mar 1748, d. 2 Jun 1825, Ky.) and Eleanor/Nellie/Ellen Robinson (b. 1740-1750, Ga.). Both are buried on a farm near Balm, Fleming Co., Ky. Children were: Sarah, Nancy, William, Gunnell (3g-grandfather), Ellen, Oliver, Sylvanus, Moses, Aaron, Polly, and Harry. Also need information on his father and mother, James Sanders (d. 17 Apr 1778, possibly Loudoun Co., Va.) and Sarah Gunnell (d. 21 Sep 1793. Want to know when they came from Scotland or anything else about them. Children were: Mary, William, John, Gunnell, James, Barbary, Presley, Henry, Moses, Aaron, and Cyrus.

Kelly Hendrix, 15920 Birmingham Hwy., Alpharetta, GA 30201, [Khend79@aol.com] is searching for family of William Fletcher Sanders, born about 1820 in Georgia who married Mary Caroline Carter, born abt 1822.

First located in Paulding County in 1840. William's father could be Stephen or Benjamin. He probably had a brother named Nicholas who was born abt 1826 and one named James B. M. born about 1814. William and Mary had 9 children. William died before the 1870 U.S. census in Polk or Haralson County, Ga.

Mrs. Gunnar O. Esse, 418 Paloma, Corpus Christi, TX 78412-2649 is looking for the parents and other information for her ancestor, Joseph P. Sanders, b. about 1847 (census records), and served in the 13th Miss. Infantry of the C.S.A., enlisting from Isney, Choctaw Co., Ala. According to 1870 census, he was born in Alabama; 1880 census - Georgia; and 1900 census - Mississippi. Death certificate says he was born 1 Jun 1831 in N.C., when he died 16 Jun 1927 in Miss., and his parents were Wm Sanders (N.C.) and Louisa Simmons (N.C.). Joseph P. was married to Mary (Pollie) Everett. Their children were Jehu/Gehu B. (b. 13 Oct 1866, Ala.); Thorgood (b. 1868, Ala.); Lucy Opella (Miss.); George Lionel (b. 8 Apr 1881); and Thomas J. (b. 15 Apr 1884, Miss.). Can anyone help her with this conflicting information?

Regina Falcetto, 1831 Calle de Loma, Emporia, KS 66801, [falcetto@valu-line.com]. Her Sanders line is in Stokes Co., N.C. Her oldest known person is Naham Sanders who died March 1794 in Stokes County. Wife was Suzanne. Known children include Arden, Martha, Arthur, Jesse, Richard, Benjamin, and at least two other daughters. Her line is Martha who married James King in 1791 in Stokes County. Help extending this line would be appreciated.

Marian Sanders, 585 Heather Ave., Alden, IA 50006-8021, [msanders@iafalls.com] is researching Sanders in Mendham Township, Morris Co., N.J. in the late 1700s and early 1800s. Also Lukeman, Bryan, and Pennington.

Douglas Young, 735 East 105th Place, #C304, Northglenn, CO 80233, [wyoun141@concentric.net]. Maybe someone can help me find George Sanders (b. 1855, d. 1885) married Rachel A. Rigdom (b. 1862, d. 1937) their son, James Barter Sanders (b. 1880, d. 1966) in Buffalo, Leon Co., Tex., married Martha Parker, also from Leon County. Their children are Pearl, Florence, Flora, Leona, James Howard, Alice Nellene, Truman Leroy, Glover Parker, all from East Texas. Elmer R. Andrews (b. 1915, d. 1978) in Walker County, Tex., married Alice Nellene Sanders. Would appreciate any information on any of this line.

Greg Inman, 1308 Windridge Lane, Fremont, MI 49412, [ginman@ncats.net]. Seek to exchange information with anyone regarding the descendants of John Sanders and Alice Coles of Salem, Mass. My descent is as follows: John 1 Sanders, m. Alice Coles; John 2 Sanders m. Priscilla Grafton; James 3 Sanders, m. Sarah Page; John 4 Sanders, m. Mary Sargent; Jacob 5 Sanders; m. Ann Barney; Benjamin 6 Sanders m. Mary Davis; Jacob 7 Sanders m. Lydia Martin; and Huldah 8 Sanders m. Earl P. Inman. My line later lived in Rehobeth and Swansea, Mass. then removed to New York living first at Newport until 1814, and then Homer, Cortland Co. I am interested in all lines of this family, as well as info on any of the collateral families.

From Garrett R. Foy, 1211 Navajo Court, Louisville, KY 40207 [Grfmtf@aol.com]. His mother's biological parents, Edward Sanders and Lula Striley, placed her, Louise Pauline Sanders, for adoption at birth in Vigo County, Ind. in 1910 and the records still are sealed. He wants to locate the children, grandchildren, or researchers who can help in researching this line.

Camp Gilliam, 1709 Santa Maria, Kingsville, TX 78363, [cgilliam@int-comm.net]. I descend from a James Saunders/Sanders, an "old man at the time of the American Revolution." His daughter (b.1749) married Col. William Trigg and moved to Sumner Co, Tenn. This Saunders group were from Lancaster Co., Va., but James moved to Orange Co., N.C. There is disagreement over the relationship of William Saunders (b. abt 1700) with James. William m. an Adams. Some have William the father of James. I lean to the other view: that James and William were brothers. Anyway, someone has worked out the genealogy that William descends from three Edward Saunders in a row in Lancaster and before Lancaster, Northumberland, and perhaps New Kent before that. Could someone please help me with this line.

Elaine Johnson, 1691 West 190 South, Rexburg, ID 83440, [elaine2@ida.net]. Does anyone recognize these people? Samuel Saunders (1771-1850) married Olive Brooks (1781-1856). Children: Juda Sanders (1816-1893), m. Sarah "Sally" Parsons (1817-1901); Irena Saunders (1819-1904), m. Charles P. Squires; Harlow Saunders (1823), m. Mary Ann Kensey; Roxa Saunders (1825), m. Thomas Morford; Hiram Saunders (1826-1907), m. Jane Beal.

Children of Juda and Sarah Sanders: Frederick Sanders (1838); Franklin A Sanders (1840-1914), m. Dora D. Covey (1856-1932); Martha Fannie "Mattie" Sanders (1844), m. Clement Brook; Ralph Max or Mac Sanders (1847), m. Priscilla Coulter; Annette Sanders (1857), m. Daniel McKnight; Ellen "Nell" Sanders, m. Clark or Wilson; Emily Sanders, m. Levi N. Barnes; Hiram Edward Sanders (1863); Abby Lucine Sanders (1863-1936), m. Thomas Jefferson Neal Bettendorf.

Wanda Stanfill, 1812 4th Street, Woodward, OK 73801, would like to learn more about Polly Saunders, wife of Samuel Farrington of Davidson Co., N.C. Samuel was born abt 1765 in N.C. Perhaps Polly was his 2nd wife. Also, two of my (indirect) lines married three children of John Saunders/Sanders (of Guilford Co., N.C.) and Jane Crew. These lines are Elmore and Johnson.

Lin Van Buren, Saxon Mansions, 13 Grand Parade, Saint Leonard's on Sea, East Sussex TN38 0DE, United Kingdom, [veeb@uk.pipeline.com]. Seek parents for Aaron Saunders (c1772-1854), who was born somewhere in Va. and died in Caswell Co., N.C. He married c1799 (where?) Susannah Gibbs daughter of Shadrach Gibbs of Halifax Co., Va. and later of S.C., Caswell Co., N.C., Tenn., and Ala. Aaron's mother may have been the Elizabeth Saunders next door to him as head of a household in the 1800 Caswell Co., N.C. census. Does this Aaron Saunders descend from the Sanders family of Loudoun Co., Va.? Near him were people named Mason Sanders, Taylor Sanders, Smith Sanders, and Presley Sanders.

From Jana Sanders-Humphrey, 1100 E. Lamar Blvd #8, Arlington, TX 76011, [shrike@dfw.net]. Elisha Sanders Sr., b. abt 1782 in Va., died Jackson Co., Tenn. He married Elizabeth Campbell born about 1790 in Ky., died 1861 Jackson Co., Tenn. They had a child, Elisha Jr., b. abt 1816 in Jackson Co., Tenn., died 1891 Hamilton Co., Illinois. Possible siblings to Elisha are: Ann Mariah, b. 1806; Henry, b. 1814; Sarah, b. 1822; Lenora, b. 1830; and Thomas, b. 1830. Anyone connect?

J. Hickey, P. O. Box 365, South Royalton, VT 05068 [jeh217@aol.com]. Miriam Sanders/Saunders daughter of William Sanders/Saunders was b. 11 Jul 1852/54 in Pembroke, Washington Co., Maine. Miriam married James Wesley Colley, Jr. on 31 Jan 1870. Their first four sons were born in Pembroke—William, Lewis, Alfred and Arthur. The family then moved to Waterford, N.Y. where last son Guy was born. Miriam died in Waterford on 19 Nov 1932. Any info on Miriam's siblings, parents and ancestors would be greatly appreciated.

Dale R. Lutz, 518 Crestview Drive S., St. Paul, MN 55119-5502, [drlutz@mmm.com] is seeking family of Elizabeth Sanders, who married Henry Pruitt (Prewitt) in 1806. He was born in Henry Co., Va., in 1788. Their children were born in Madison Co., Ky., after 1820.

Jim Arnett, 2703 Glen Ridge Drive, Arlington, TX 76016, [jarnett@star-text.net]. I am particularly interested in finding any information on Thomas Sanders (b. between 1800 and 1810 in S.C.?), married Charlotte Briggs bef. 1829 in Miss. Charlotte was born between 1810 and 1820 and died 19 Nov 1837 in Madison Co., Miss. They had at least two children. My great-grandfather was James Monroe Sanders (b. 27 Mar 1829 in Madison Co., Miss., d. 7 Mar 1889, Terrebonne Par., La.).

Suella Fogg Postles, 10 West Leake Road, East Leake, Loughborough, England, UK LE126LJ, [pot@le.ac.uk] is looking for details of a 9xgreatuncle, James Saunders who was married to Sarah Paige. Sarah was christened 18 Jul 1651 in Hingham, Mass.. Her father was John Paige (1615-1687) and her mother was Mary Marsh (1614-1659).

Janice W. Autry, 225 Morning Star Ct., Woodland Park, CO 80863-9015 would like information on her g-g-grandfather, Briton Sanders (1803-1887), who left Upson Co., Ga., and went to Burleson/Lee Co., Tex., in the early 1860s. Her g-grandfather, Thomas J. Sanders, was a Confederate soldier from Georgia. There were several Thomas J. Sanders who were Confederate soldiers from Georgia.

Charles R. Stagg, 610 Versailles Dr., Huntsville, AL 35803, [cr\_stagg@big-foot.com] is looking for information about Hiram P. Sanders, born 22 Sep 1810 in Louisville, Jefferson, Kentucky. He died 2 Jan 1892. He was married to Mary Elinor Burch on 26 Jan 1841. Mary Elinor Burch was born on 1 Sep 1821. She died in Sep 1890. They had the following children: Sarah Elizabeth Sanders, born 21 Jul 1843, married to John Wylie 27 Aug 1867; Julia Marietta Sanders; James Fleece Sanders, born 9 Jun 1848; Margaret Katherine Sanders, born 18 Jan 1850; William Berry Sanders; Charles I. B. Sanders, born Nov 1858.

### **William Sanders' Will Leaves One Son Jeames With "5 Shillings and No More"**

Here is an abstract of the will of WILLIAM SANDERS from *Western Maryland Genealogy Vol 3, #1*, Frederick Co. wills:

Date of will: 2 Jan 1768

Date of probate: 2 Feb 1768

Executors: James Wilcoxon and son William Sanders. Witnesses: Zacaraiah Ellis, John Harris, John Ashford Gore

Testator "very sick"

Children:

JEAMES, son, "5 shillings and no more"

ELIZABETH, dau, feather beds and furniture; also saddle and briddles [sic] WILLIAM, son, feather beds and furniture

ELIAS, son, feather beds and furniture

MARY, dau, £10 each

LEWIS, son, £10 each

ROBERT, son, £10 each

HENDRY, son, £10 each [under age]

Other legatee (relationship to testator not stated): JAMES WILCOXON, feather bed and furniture

"My brother James Sanders to raise my son Henry." "Rest of my estate to all children share and share alike except Jeames." ■

M.A. Plumlee, 903 Willow Creek, Mansfield, TX 76063, [MAPMDB@aol.com] is researching Elizabeth Saunders (b. 24 Jan 1768, St. Marys Co., Md.), m. George Willett (b. Apr 1757, d. 25 Mar 1814 in Nelson Co., Ky.). Elizabeth's father was either Sinnott or Samuel Saunders.

Signe Parrish, 35222 Beech Ave., Yucaipa, CA 92399 is looking for information on a Reuben Saunders/Sanders with wife Elizabeth whose daughter Sally/Sarah married Claiborne Parrish on 20 Oct 1830 in Sumner Co., Tenn. Claiborne died quite young leaving Sall with small children. She married (2nd) Robert W. Saunders. Claiborne's daughter, Frances Ann, married a John A. Sanders in 1855 in Logan Co., Ky., and his son, Isham Woodson Parrish, married Harriet F. Sanders on 10 May 1866 in Logan Co. ■

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It will be very much appreciated if you send me your queries and other material via e-mail. Send it to me at [dschafe@comp.uark.edu] or [DES32@aol.com]. If you can't e-mail, put your copy on a 3 1/2" disk in WordPerfect or most anything on a Macintosh. Also, if you send cleanly typed copy, I can scan it with OCR software and a scanner to save time. *Whichever is okay for you—but send me something!*

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Paula Kelley, 340 Sumter Dr., Belleville, IL 62221, [kkkelley933@aol.com]. Would like information on Ann Sanders who m. Joseph Blakemore, Susannah Blakemore d. aft 1830, m. Henry Skidmore (my line) in Yadkin Co., N.C. They had five children.

Deana Snow, P. O. Box 11581, Fort Worth, TX 76110, [Nahm@aol.com] is looking for information about Satira Sanders (b. 29 Mar 1819 in Ala.) who married Meady Lamb (b. 1811). She died 6 Sep 1895 at Newby, Tex. ■

## Do You Know Parents of Pleasant C. Sanders?

Debi Elliott, 402 W. Springfield Ave., Huntington Beach, CA 92648 [dlei-liott@ccgate.hac.com] is searching for the family (parents, siblings) of Pleasant C. Sanders, b. abt 1814, N.C. m. Cassandra (???), b. abt 1816, N.C.

Children, all born Montgomery Co., N.C.):

1. Caroline Saunders, b. 1839
2. Alexander F Saunders, b. 1841, d. 9 May 1864, Spotsylvania Court House, Va.
3. Mary J. Saunders, b. 1842
4. Rebecca E. Saunders, b. 1843
5. James L. Saunders, b. 1844, m. Francis (?)
6. Alfred D. Saunders, b. 1846; m. Martha Elizabeth (???)
7. Martha M. Saunders, b. 1848
8. Aaron H. Saunders, b. 1849
9. Ann Eliza Saunders, b. 1851
10. John C. Saunders, b. 1853

11. Emma Lou "Puss" Saunders, b. 1856, N.C. m. John Columbus Elliott, b. 1851, Montgomery Co., N.C., d. 1928, Montgomery Co., N.C. ■

## Elizabeth Sanders, Born in Va.

Duane R. McKenzie, 421 N. Morning-side Ave., Litchfield, MN 55355-2335. My 3g-grandparents were David Jesse McKenzie and Elizabeth Sanders/Saunders. They were married in Scott Co., Va., on 21 Feb 1836. Elizabeth Ann was born abt 1818 in Scott Co., Va., the daughter of Thomas Sanders/Saunders and Anna Spitzer (Spitzer, Spiller) of Scott Co., Va. Thomas married Anna 18 Sep 1792 in Washington Co., Va. Thomas died 3 Jul 1833 in Scott Co. Would appreciate any information on these people. ■

## Georgia Cooper Seeking Sanders From Georgia

Georgia Cooper, 2996 Plaza Azul, Santa Fe, NM 87505-5338, [geolcooper@juno.com]. My ancestor is James M. Sanders, married to Elizabeth (could be Allen?). He was from Georgia and she was from Tenn. The whole family is on the Prairie Bayou Twp, Hot Spring Co., Ark. 1860 census. He was 41 and said he was born in Ga. An epidemic must have hit them because James M. and half of the children are missing from the 1870 census. Three children were born in that ten years. Our ancestor Martha LuEllen was six and a little brother, James M. was four. The next census in 1880 shows Martha LuEllen married to Noble Washington Ladd. They moved on to homestead near Lenora, Okla. Where did James M. Sanders come from? Who were his parents and siblings? ■

## Sanders in Willis Chapel Cemetery in Missouri

Teresa McMillan, 1900 Shorewood Lane, Mound, MN 55364-1317, [TMcMillanB@worldnet.att.net] has this tombstone information collected from the Bethlehem Christian Cemetery (Willis Chapel) in Waukenda, Carroll Co., Mo.

JAMES M. SANDERS, b. Apr 18, 1834, d. Apr 11, 1914 — PATRA A., his wife, b. Feb 27, 1840, d. Jun 15, 1915

THOMAS L. SANDERS, b. Nov 28, 1873, d. Feb 5, 1965 — ADA FRANCES SANDERS, b. Apr 13, 1883, d. Oct 1, 1945

S. A. SANDERS, 1870-193

NANCY A, SANDERS, 1876- (no date)

JAMES W. SANDERS, 1903-1913

PRICE SANDERS, 1867-1935

MAUDE SANDERS, 1880-1940

SAMUEL SANDERS, 1876-1938

SALLIE SANDERS, 1901-1922

KILLIS W. SANDERS, d. Apr 8, 1890, aged 43 yr. 11 mo., 13 da. ■

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