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## Moses Sanders of Barnwell District, S.C.— Confused With Other Moses Sanders?

The following is taken from pp 7-10 of *Sanders Family History* by Robert Wilson Sanders, Greenville, S.C., May 1920. It was submitted by Mary Donna Foley, 460 Weston Road, Russell Springs, KY 42642, <mdfoley@duo-county.com>.

[Do you have a Moses Sanders in South Carolina? This may not be the one. I'd like to hear from anyone about *their* Moses Sanders in South Carolina.—*the editor*]

... Tradition has it that the great grandfather of the present writer came from Great Britain by way of Virginia to "Barnwell District", S. C., before the Revolutionary War, and settled on land obtained by Government grant, west of Saltkehatchie and above Morris Ford. Our Grandfather, William Sanders, was yet a boy. This "William Sanders" was born in 1765 and died in 1826. He was eleven years old at the beginning of the Revolution, and eighteen at its close. Presumably he fought in that great struggle during which our ancestors were numbered among the "patriots" who suffered to gain Independence. East of Saltkehatchie and below Morris Ford, one, Nathaniel Sanders, procured land and located about the same time. How the two were related, if at all, the present writer does not know.

Our Great Grandfather Sanders (whose "given name" I do not know) had at least two sons.—Moses and William.

In the office of Secretary of State, Columbia, S. C., I find records showing that there was a "Land Grant" of 500 acres to Moses Sanders, on the Great Saltkehatchie, Dec. 7th, 1807, 323 acres having been surveyed in 1803. And that, in 1791, there was a "Land Grant" of 850 acres to William Duncan (Sanders) and John Sanders.

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Moses Sanders, Sr. (brother of William [grandfather of author]), died when comparatively young, and his widow was afterwards married to Mr.

Fanning. This Moses Sanders, Sr., left three sons, namely Moses, Jr., John M., and William.

(1.) Moses Sanders, Jr., was married to Miss Mary Horne, of Augusta, Ga., a woman of strong mind, of bright and cheerful disposition, and of unusual energy, thrift and skill. She was devoted to the development and well being of her children and the happiness and success of her very industrious husband who was a quite prosperous planter, owning a good landed estate west of Saltkehatchie, four miles from Morris Ford. They both with their children, always attended and aided in supporting Mt. Olivet Church, she being a member, although he was not. A "governess" was regularly employed to educate their children at the home, training them in Music and other branches of instruction. Their children were Virginia, John, Laura, William, Olivia, Clara, Lizzie, Elloise, Ida, Madora and Joseph. John died at the age of thirteen. On his tombstone in the old Sanders Graveyard, two miles West of Morris Ford, are engraved the words:

"In the cold, damp earth we laid him,  
Where the forest casts its leaf,  
And wept that one so lovely  
Should have a life so brief."

Madora and Joseph, young children, died in October 1865, and were both buried at the same time.

Virginia was well married to Fred J. Sanders. Laura became the wife of J. B. O'Neal Sanders; Olivia married Geo. R. Dunbar; Clara, Dr. Holmes; Lizzie, Capt. David Hair; Ida, E. L. Sanders. William and Elloise were never married. Lizzie Hair, daughter of Capt. David Hair, married Rev. Mr. Benson, a useful minister. All the married ones had interesting families.

The children of Laura are Arthur, Minnie, Ella, Iola, and Kate. Those of

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## A Word About The Allen County Public Library in Ft. Wayne

This past July my wife Shirley and I attended an Elderhostel in Fort Wayne, Indiana. The subject was genealogy. Instruction and hands-on experience was centered in the Allen County Public Library.

Some of you already know the reputation of that library. In the size of its genealogy collection it is second only to the Mormon Library in Salt Lake City. The University of St. Francis sponsored the Elderhostel and more than one is scheduled every year. We were housed in the Holiday Inn in downtown Fort Wayne—within walking distance of the library.

Instruction during the Elderhostel was handled by qualified genealogists and they were always near to give you a helping hand.

Shirley is not quite as "consumed" by genealogy as I am. She was, however, interested in learning more about her lines of Mills, Whitaker, and Lynn. So I helped her and spent less time on my lines, and very little time on Sanders. But we had stopped in Litchfield, Illinois, on the way and spent several hours going through the Walter Sanders Collection there. (I have written about this wonderful collection in earlier issues.)

Because the library in Fort Wayne has grown so fast, the stacks are not open. (They hope to enlarge the library and open up the stacks.) Their procedure now is to have you order your books that you find on the computer terminals. The books are delivered to you at your numbered desk. You can order as many as six books at a time and they were

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## Dr. Leon Sanders' Roots Go Back to Jackson Co., Ala.

Gary Sanders, Box 309236 UNT Station, Denton, TX 76203, <gsanders@library.unt.edu> sent this in. It is from *A History of Texas and Texans*, edited by Francis White Johnson. Chicago: American Historical Association, 1914, 5 vols. p. 1746:

D. Leon Sanders, M.D., of Willis Point, where he has been engaged in practice since 1906, is the representative of one of the oldest families in the South, members of the family having been identified with affairs in Alabama, North Carolina and Texas for several generations past.

Born in Ben Wheeler, Texas, on October 2, 1871, Dr. Sanders is the son of Levi Lindsey Sanders, a retired merchant and farmer of Ben Wheeler, himself the son of Benjamin Sanders, a blacksmith of Jackson county, Alabama. The latter was killed by the Federals during the war of the sixties. He was born in North Carolina, and was the son of an Irishman of that state, who died in Alabama when he was more than one hundred years of age. He had two sons and six daughters, and one of his sons was Levi L., the father of Dr. Sanders of this review.

Levi L. Sanders was born in Jackson county, Alabama, in 1837, and he learned something of blacksmithing from his father in his youth. He became dissatisfied with his home while yet a mere boy and ran away, thinking to better his conditions and for a time he was employed on a Mississippi river steamboat. When he reached Texas in 1848, he found a home with Rev. Nels King of Rowlett, Dallas county, and he stayed there until he took unto himself a wife, Miss Susan Collins, who was the daughter of William and Minerva Collins.

In Oak Cliff, Dallas county, he established his home. He moved then to Brownsboro, in Henderson county, and after four years there, he joined the Confederate army as a mechanic in General Ross's Brigade. He served throughout the war without accident or untoward happening, and when peace was restored he returned to his place at the anvil, moving his shop to Ben Wheeler, in Van Zandt county, continuing there in his trade until about 1870, when he established himself in the merchandise business in Ben Wheeler, continuing in that enterprise until 1905.

During the passing years he pros-

pered, in whatever line of business he was engaged in, and he acquired considerable farm lands thereabout and developed a number of fine farms, at the same time engaging to a greater or less extent in the business of stock raising. He was well in advance of his community in the introduction of blooded horses and cattle and in the breeding of fine mules, as well, and the influence he had thus spread abroad over a considerable portion of the country. He has ever been an active man in the Methodist church, and is a Master Mason. He is a Democrat, and as a veteran of the Civil War is an enthusiastic member of the Confederate Veterans of the South. ■

## Looking For Sanders In Oswego County, New York?

The following Sanders are buried in Hannibal Cemetery, Oswego Co., NY.

Olive Palmer, born 9 June 1819, died 25 March 1860, wife of Walter Sanders.

Jane A. Sanders, born 24 April 1807, died 20 January 1892, wife of Benjamin P. Farnham, born 2 July 1811, died 18 September 1896.

Mary Sanders, wife of Samuel, died 11 July 1856 - 77 yrs.

Cornella M. Sanders, born 26 January 1844, died 11 October 1914.

Jane L. Sanders, daughter of G. & E., died 15 March 1859.

Elizabeth Sanders, wife of B. F. Cable, 1833-1865.

Chancellor Sanders, died November \_\_\_\_\_ ? - 59 yrs.

Lucy Chancellor Sanders, died 1 February 1882 - 76 yrs., 4 mon.

George A. Sanders, died 29 January 1870 - 41 yrs.

Caroline A. Sanders, wife of Henry H. Acker, died 23 January 1890.

John G. Sanders, died 4 September 1865.

Livingston Sanders, 1840-1915, and Dora Rice his wife, 1858-1936.

Clarissa Sanders, wife of \_\_\_\_ Hammond (?), died 31 August 1839.

Julia Sanders, wife of William M. Brackett, died 12 May 1835.

Lansing Sanders, born 1847, and Olive Perkins, his wife, 1851-1901.

Sarah J. Sanders, born 19 July 1843, died 2 September 1892, wife of David Barrie, born 22 October 1942, died 28 January 1913.

James Sanders, born 18 January 1810, died 8 December 1894, and his wife, Elizabeth Powell, born 7 November 1817, died 21 September 1888. ■

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pretty efficient at finding and bringing out the books.

They have census indices and microfilm for the whole country. One great strength is the entire collection of Revolutionary War files in the library there, so you do not have to order them from the Archives. You can just make your copies there. I made copies of files on two definite ancestors who were Rev. War patriots and I found another I copied but which I could not identify as my particular individual.

But it was great seeing Shirley find her ancestors in Jackson County, Tenn., the second day there. That was especially good after her boring experience of finding nothing helpful the day before. Since returning home with the new information and using some contacts on the internet, we have been able to extend her lines back several generations. And we followed that up with a visit to Jackson County, Tenn., and discovered even more.

We definitely recommend a visit to the Allen County Public Library. And we also recommend the Elderhostel there. There are also Elderhostels in Salt Lake City on the same subject. I know quite a few of you readers qualify. (You have to be 60 or older.)

If you would like to check out the holdings of the Allen County Public Library, you can do so on the World Wide Web. If you are connected, try <<http://www.acpl.lib.in.us>>. You can identify some publications that you can possibly order through inter-library loan at your hometown or university library.

But if you can get there in person, it could very well be worth your trouble. ■

Don Schaefer, *editor*

From David A. Dunn, 12 Prince St., Provincetown, MA 02657, <[dadunn@gis.net](mailto:dadunn@gis.net)>. Would appreciate information and correspondence about the ancestry of Nathan Wheeler Sanders (b. abt 1830) and spouse Elizabeth Jones, probably from northern Mississippi. Descendants include Alexander Campbell Sanders who died in Rock, Oklahoma in 1938. ■

**Moses Sanders of Barnwell Dist.***(Continued from page one)*

Lizzie are David, Willie, Lillian, Clara May, Lizzie, and Ethel. To Olivia were given Allen, Vincent, Willie, Frank, Clara, Annie, Bessie, and Susie.

Virginia's children are Walter, Toy, B. O. (Belton O'Neal), Lottie, and Eva.

Ida's are Inez, Ada, Grover, Otis, Launnie, Homer, Allison, and Eunice.

Bessie Dunbar married Prof. A. F. Otis, a well educated christian gentleman of great usefulness. Clara was happily married to Chas. C. Meyer, of fine character; Annie married Mr. Turner, a good citizen; Allen, Miss Nellie Dunbar; Vincent and Willie married, each a lady from Georgia. Frank died while young. He was a soldier in the Spanish War, 1898.

(2.) John M. Sanders owned a plantation on Steel Creek near Meyer's Mill. He was buried near his home. He married Mary Nimmons. They had two daughters, Josephine and Annie, and a son that died in childhood.

(a.) Josephine married Rev. Fred C. Hickson, after her graduation at the Greenville, (S. C.) Female College. and they went as Missionaries of the Southern Baptist Convention to China. Failure of health forced their relinquishing foreign work, and they lived, at various times, in Cheraw, Yorkville, Gastonia, and Gaffney. Mr. Hickson was the pastor of churches in and near these towns. He was an apt student of Furman University and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and an able preacher. To them were given four children,- namely, Allison P., Josephine, Ruby, and Mary. All four were well educated, standing high in their classes. Their parents made great exertions to afford them the best educational advantages, and all of them have themselves been teachers in schools or colleges.

(b.) Annie married Ashley Weathersbee, of Williston, S.C. They had three daughters—Mary Allen, Mattie, and Bessie. Their father died while a young man.

(3.) William Sanders, ("Cousin Billie") was married to Mary Stallings, and he also owned and lived upon a good, landed estate on Steel Creek. He was mortally wounded by the fall of heavy timber in raising a mill house, and died in 1852. He bore the character of a Noble, Godly man. His widow was left to rear their four daughters and one son,

## A Fort Sanders Existed Near Laramie, Wyoming From 1866 to 1882

The following is from pp. 320-321 of Vol. 1 of *History of Wyoming*, I. S. Bartlett, editor, 1918, Chicago.

### FORT SANDERS

"By orders from the War Department, Fort Sanders was established on July 10, 1866, three miles south of Laramie City, and was at first known as 'Fort John Buford.' On September 5, 1866, the name was changed to Fort Sanders, in honor of W. P. Sanders, captain in the Second United States Calvary and later brigadier-general of volunteers. It was established as a protection for Denver & Salt Lake stage line and the emigrant trains passing over the Oregon Trail. The Union Pacific Railroad was completed to this point late in the spring of 1868, and on June 28th of that year the reservation was enlarged to embrace a tract of land nine miles square. At that time the buildings consisted of log structures with quarters for six companies, officers' quarters, a guardhouse, post store, and stables. The fort was

namely: Mary, Martha, Eliza, Ella, and John. John was a Confederate Soldier and died soon after the war of '61-'65. Mary was happily married to Capt. Thomas Bush; Martha, to Wm. McDuffie Meyer, and Eliza, to Major J. Anselm Meyer. Mary and Martha both died not long after marriage. Willie A. Meyer was the only child of McDuffie and Martha Meyer. He is a good citizen and active church member, and has several children. He married Miss Lizzie Killingsworth who is a kind, devoted wife and mother. Theirs is a neat, happy home.

Major J. A. Meyer, the husband of Eliza, (being married Dec. 1866) is one of the most exemplary Christians, a true patriot, a successful business man, progressive and active citizen, very generous and neighborly, a leader in church and school work in his community, and a loyal veteran of the Confederacy. The tender affection of himself and wife is indeed beautiful; and though they have no children, they have been as father and mother to the children of others. Their home abounds in hospitality.

Ella, youngest daughter of William Sanders, was removed by death in early life. ■

abandoned in May, 1882, and in 1889 part of the reservation was granted to the State of Wyoming for a fish hatchery.

"On the highway from Laramie to Denver, where the old fort formerly stood, there is now a monument bearing the following inscription: 'This monument marks the site of Fort Sanders, established September 5, 1866, abandoned May 18, 1882. Named in honor of Brig.-Gen. William P. Sanders. Erected by the State of Wyoming and Jacques Laramie Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, June, 1914. From July 10 to September 5, 1866, known as Fort John Buford.'"

And from a footnote on p. 172 of Vol. 1 of *Wyoming from Territorial Days to the Present*, 1933, ed. by Frances B. Beard:

"Brig. Gen. William P. Sanders . . . died from wounds received in the battle at Knoxville, Tennessee, in November, 1863. . . ." ■

### Good Information on John T. Sanders of Pike County, Ala.

From page 113 of *Alabama Official and Statistical Register*, 1907, State of Alabama Dept. of Archives and History, compiled by Thomas M. Owen, L.L. D. Director, Brown Publishing Co, Montgomery, Ala., 1907

Legislative Department, Pike County  
John Thomas Sanders, of Goshen, Pike county, was born August 26, 1862, at Troy in that county, and is the son of John Randolph and Melissa Rebecca (Bryan) Sanders, and the grandson of Isaac and Naomi (Cadenhead) Sanders of Georgia, and of John and Elizabeth (Gibson) Bryan, of South Carolina. John Sanders was lieutenant in the 37th Alabama Infantry Regiment. John T. Sanders was educated in the common schools of that county; and now follows the occupation of farming and merchandising. He is a Democrat, and was a member of the executive committee of Pike county, 1896-1900. He is a deacon in the Baptist Church. On December 25, 1887, he was married to Miss Cora Harvill, daughter of William Nathan and Martha (Carlisle) Harvill, of Milo. ■

## More About Mexican General Santa Anna And Jimmy Dry Sanders

This was received from Lee Hoover after the article in the last issue about General Santa Anna being a Sanders and more about Irvin S. Cobb and "Jimmy Dry" Sanders. (Lee is at P. O. Box 125, Centerville, TN 37033-0125, <lhoover1@BellSouth.net>.)

I loved the story about Nathaniel Sanders being Santa Anna but do not believe a word of it. [Issue 22, July 2000, *Sanders Siftings*.] However, in genealogy I have had to eat my words before. Seems every time I get too positive about something I get an additional piece of info that confuses the issue.

I think I can disprove Irvin Cobb's story that Reuben was Jimmy Dry Sanders' son. The OTHER Jimmy, son of Jesse and Ann Yancey Saunders had a brother Reuben and may have had a son Reuben as we have never been able to get all his children by the first wife verified. He named all six of his children by second wife Levisa Bowen in his will, of which I have a copy. Jimmy Dry Sanders, son of Thomas Sanders and Mary Mitchell, grandson of William Saunders and "Miss Adams" m. (1) Hannah Mitchell and had:

Letita m. John Allen  
Mary M. m. Dr James Barry  
Harriet B. m. Dr. Nathaniel Sanders  
David Mitchell m. Jane L. Dwyer (sp?)  
Charles Grandison m. Eliza Douglass

The above info was taken from:  
DAR: 7393

Ramsey: *Annals of Tenn.* p. 611  
Appleton: Vol 5 p. 405  
DAR yearbook 1940, p. 82  
Sumner Co. marriages

Jimmy Dry Sanders m. (2) Mary "Polly" Smith, daughter of General Dan Smith. Polly was m. first to a Donelson, brother of Rachel Donelson who m. Andrew Jackson. Their children were:  
Elizabeth b. 11 Apr 1807, d. 30 Mar 1825  
Sarah "Sally" m. Robt C. Caruthers  
Martha T. m. Dr. Thomas T. Watson  
Mary Ann m. Dr. James H. Hoggett  
Ann C. m. Judge Terry H. Cahal  
Emily m. Meredith P. Gentry  
Alethia m. Dr. Robert Allison  
James Jr., b. 25 Sept 1822, d. 11 May 1823  
Margaret, b. 7 Sept 1824, d. 14 Oct 1839

The above taken from James Sanders' Bible (Bible Records Roll 120). Do you not think if he had a son Reuben the name would have appeared somewhere in all these records???

When I get time I will send you a copy of a letter from Santa Anna written to a person here in Hickman Co. The county historian has the letter. Santa Anna was discussing property he owned in Hickman Co. and did not think it advisable to come here at that time!! We have always been curious how Santa Anna obtained the property and where in Hickman Co. it was located.

The OTHER James Sanders b. Granville, N.C. came to Hickman Co from Wilkes Co., Ga. and John Stockett, a descendant, stated he was married first to a Jones. It is reported James was a surveyor on the Continental Line; however, I have not checked that out. It is proven that he owned 3560 acres in Hickman Co. at one time. James' known children by first wife were (possibly more children but only these verified):

Josephus A. m. Mary Ann/Marion/MaryAnn (possibly Hilliard)

Augustus B. m. Hannah Walker

Winnifred m. Jesse Lankford

Nancy m. Richard Irvine

Elizabeth m. G.W. Redman

James m. Levisa Bowen of Sumner Co., Tenn Oct 1813. His will states "children by my first wife I leave out of this will" so he did not name them.

Could this James be the one they have confused with Jimmy Dry who is credited with starting the first Methodist Church in Tenn???? Both were in Sumner Co. at the same time!! And I don't think he obtained the nickname from "dry talking!" ■

### Do You Have Saunders in Norwalk, Conn. Area?

Kenneth H. Gilmore, 9181 Enterprise Ave. NE, Tuscaloosa, AL 35406, <kegilmore@aol.com>. Interested in establishing contact with anyone working on the Norwalk, Connecticut, Saunders family. Jabez Saunders m. Abigail Platt (daughter of Josiah) on 1 Aug 1753 at Norwalk, Conn., and probably died shortly after 1810. He does not appear in land, vital, or town records before 1753 when he purchased land from his father-in-law. He probably migrated to Norwalk from elsewhere shortly prior to 1753. I can document a line to him from primary sources, but I still need to determine his previous residence or parents. Norwalk at that time was a thriving seaport, and people moved there from New York, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, and other parts of Connecticut. If anyone knows the current e-mail or U.S. mail address for C. Kelly Saunders of Bridgeport, Conn., who posted a query about Jabez Saunders in an earlier *Sanders Siftings*, please pass it along to Kenneth. ■

### Is William Henry Sanders, Born 1768, Really a Brick Wall?

Winston Sanders, 3603 Oak Hill Drive, Bryan, Texas 77802, <winsan@tca.net>. My g-g-grandfather, William Henry Sanders, is probably one of the most wanted ancestor on a lot of Sanders' lists. Who were his parents? As with most ancestral brick walls, he just doesn't seem to have a recorded past. The information I have on him is: William Henry Sanders, b. 10 Apr 1768, Virginia; d. 1872 (?) China Grove, Pike Co., Alabama. He was married to Eliizabeth Dennis, b.?, d. 10 Jan 1850, Muscogee Co, Georgia. Their children were: Mary, John D., James Dickenson, Wade H., Allen Wiggins, Doctor H., Joshua C., John Napoleon, ?Susan, and William

Madison (my g-g-grandfather) b. 1819 Putnam Co., Georgia, d. 3 May 1902 Robertson Co., Texas. He married Penelope Jane Lane, b. 11 May 1820, Jefferson Co., Georgia. My branch of the family ended up in Robertson County, Texas - coming about 1870-1880. However, it seems that from some of the birth/death information I have, the family lived for many years in various counties in Georgia from the early to mid-1800s. Those Georgia counties being—Putnam, Muscogee, Chattahoochee, and possibly Jefferson. It would be fantastic to find someone who has some information - and, someone out there does! ■

Richard Schier, 4900 Harbor Oaks Lane, Chattanooga, TN 37416-1717, <RSchier461@aol.com> is seeking information on the family of Martin Sanders of Edmonson Co., Ky, who married 12 Jun 1913 to Alice Meredith, daughter of Willis Skaggs Meredith and Cora Morris. Alice was born Sep 1894. Martin Sanders was born 11 Nov 1887 and died 22 Apr 1923. Needs information on children, descendants, etc. ■

## What To Do And Not Do When Working In a Cemetery

by Jeanne Robinson, Executive Director  
Oregon Historic Cemeteries Association

Historic cemeteries are in need of care, but there are many well-meaning folks who actually harm them. Here are a few hints to assure your visit to a cemetery will result in something positive.

Old marble gravestones and wooden grave markers are very fragile. Do not lean on them or treat them roughly. Be careful with weed whips around the stones (concrete bases are much tougher). If necessary, hand-trim any weeds.

Lawnmowers should never be run over a gravestone. Take care when mowing near markers, fencing, or curbing. Bumpers made of old tires on your mower will help prevent scraping.

Cleaning of marble gravestones is NOT recommended. Even the most gentle cleaning methods (clear water and soft bristle brushes) will remove particles of stone. Never use bleach or wire brushes on ANY stone. NEVER power-wash or sandblast a grave marker of any kind.

Please do not smoke in the cemetery. There are no ashtrays, and a stray spark could start a fire in dry grasses and weeds. Many old cemeteries were totally obliterated when fire swept away all of the old wooden markers.

Please do not move or remove any metal funeral home markers—even if they can't be read. They mark a grave. The same is true of fragments of gravestones or even what appear to be stray rocks. If you must move for mowing or weeding, please return them to the exact spot from which they came.

Before you remove or mow plants try to identify them. Lilacs, roses, iris, and other flowers, trees, and shrubs may be antique specimens planted by pioneers. It is OK to remove trees if they pose a threat of getting big and harming nearby gravestones.

Herbicides may be used in cemeteries, but be careful not to spray on the markers. Protect them from over-spray with garbage bags or dry cleaner bags.

In most Oregon cemeteries [and elsewhere in the United States] you will find examples of four common types of grave markers.

The following will help you identify each: Granite Gravestones: Granite is a

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### Clara Sanders - Bird Clan?

Helen Jackson, P. O. Box 579, Brush Prairie, WA 98606, <glswings@paclink.com>. Am looking for information on Clara Sanders who married James M. Jackson-Dec 1900-in Ganns, Indian Territory, Oklahoma. She is a descendant of Mitchell Sanders and Susannah of the Bird Clan. Am also trying to find documented proof that Susannah's name may have been Springfrog. ■

very strong mineral used to identify graves since about the turn of the [20th] century when stone carvers developed tools to carve the lettering. It holds a polish well and generally will have multi-colored grains.

Marble Gravestones: Marble was used for most early grave markers in Oregon [and in many other parts of the United States]. It is generally white or blue-gray and often shows veining. Because it is a soft mineral, early stone carvers often included beautiful artwork on their marble grave monuments.

White Bronze Markers: These monuments look to be a gray-green color and often surprise folks when they realize they are metal (zinc). If you are in doubt about whether you are looking at a metal marker, tap it lightly. White bronze monuments are hollow.

Wooden Markers: Early pioneers and settlers sometimes marked graves with wooden crosses or slabs. Some contemporary graves are also marked this way. Old wooden markers are hard to find and harder to read.

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### Was it John, John Hiram, or Hiram Sanders?

Kay Casey Pepple, 51 Singing Tree Drive, Jackson, TN 38305-7333, <kpepple@aeneas.net> is seeking information about John (?Hiram) Sanders—Madison Co./Haywood Co. Tenn. to Iron Co./Oregon Co. Mo.

John Sanders was born ca 1822 Tenn. There were four sons from John's 1st marriage to Eliza \_\_: Wm H., b. ca 1842; Geo. R., b. ca 1845; Richard T. B., b. ca 1848; and Joseph T., b. ca 1853. John's family was shown in the 1850 Madison Co., Tenn. census. Apparently, the mother died after 1853 as in the 1860 census, John Sanders was in adjoining Haywood Co. (now Crockett) Tenn. with wife, Ann (Rachel Ann Measles/Mizell), age 22, and Wm. H., 18; George, 14; Richard 12; Joseph, 7; Henry, age 4 (my great-grandfather, John Henry), and Emma, 2.

We don't know when John Sanders moved his family to Iron Co., Mo. We know from son, John Henry Sanders' obit, that he died there and was buried in an unmarked grave in Ironton. Was John the same as the Hiram Sanders, age 45/Tenn.) in the 1870 Oregon Co., Mo census with Polly, 40/Tenn.; Wm. 22/Tenn.; Ann, 15/Tenn.; Betsy, 10/Tenn.; John, 8/Tenn.; and James, 7/Tenn.? John Henry Sanders' death cert. shows father's name as Harm Sanders (?Hiram).

1872 Oregon Co., Mo. tax records show a Hiram Sanders whose taxes were not paid; none of his family appeared in 1873 tax records. John's youngest child, Emma, was married on 6 Feb 1873 to Will Gosnell in Oregon Co., Mo. but no other names appear on the marriage record. In 1880 John (Hiram?)'s two youngest children, John Henry Sanders, 24, and Emma Gosnell, 22, appeared in the Dunklin Co., Mo. census near each other. Rachel A. Sanders, 42, was living with Wm. H. and Emma Gosnell, listed as mother-in-law. John Henry's family remained there even though he died on a camping trip near his old home at Alton, Oregon Co., Mo. in 1934. Emma died in 1940 in Keystone, Okla.

John Henry Sanders' 1934 obituary said he had a half-brother, J. T., living in Nashville, Illinois. Older family members called him Uncle Jim. Would love to hear from anyone regarding this family. ■

## ASSORTED QUERIES . . .

From Lou Pero, 1602 E Beech, Yakima WA 98901, <LouPero@aol.com>. I am interested in James and Stephen Sanders who appear in the 1830 census for Gallatin Co, Ill. On the line before the two of them is Michael Luther and the line before that Michael Graves. All four of these fellows are age 40-50. Michael Luther apparently died between 1830 and 1840. His widow was Mary, who is listed in 1850. In Randolph Co, N.C., where Michael Luther apparently lived prior to coming to Illinois, there are numerous Graves and Sanders connections. Could James and Stephen be related to a N.C. Sanders family? Is one of them the brother of Mary Luther?

From Mrs. Nancy Edmundson 8042 N. Lima Center Rd. Whitewater, WI 53190-3340, <kre@ticon.net>. I am searching for any information on Tilman Sanders, born 16 Oct 1822, son of Barney and Mary (Rigsby) Sanders. I know that he (Tilman) married in 1843 to Nancy Russell, daughter of Barney and Polly (?) Russell. I believe that they were married in Putnam Co., Ind. There is a listing for a Silman Landers and Nancy Russell listed in the county records there and we believe that this is really Tilman Sanders and Nancy Russell. Tilman died 2 Sep 1901 and Nancy died 4 Jun 1901. Both are buried in Hillsboro, Vernon Co., Wis. What I really need is any information on Tilman's parents and siblings if he had any. Barney and Mary (Rigsby) Sanders were supposedly married on 10 Nov 1823 in Washington County.

Mary Frances Heriot Coker, P. O. Box 226, Turbeville, SC 29162, <jwcoker@ftc-i.net>. I am searching for Davison McDowell Heriot who served in the 8th Louisiana Cavalry during the Civil War. He was born 8 Jun 1820 in Stateburg, SC. Son of John Ouldfield and Martha Ann Kirkpatrick Heriot. He married Elizabeth Jane Sanders, b. 18 Dec 1825. Her mother was Sallie N. Alston Sanders of Sumter, S.C. They moved to DeSoto Parish, La. 9 Feb 1857. They lived and died in Mansfield, La. He died 22 Jan 1893, and she died 27 Apr 1911. I am the g-g-grandniece of Davison. He is the only Heriot that I cannot track down.

Gale (Sanders) Brown, 922 West Ave. F, Garland, TX 75040, <lgaesanders@hotmail.com>. I am looking for any information on possible father and other extended family for my Elias Sanders. Elias was born 1775 N.C. (some sources say Maryland), but the 1850 census shows N.C.); died 1865 Elbert Co., Ga. I have much information on Elias and his wife, Mary Carter born 1775 S.C.; died 186?, Elbert Co, Ga. and their children and most of their children but some lines stop there. That's fine for me at present as I want to find the parents of Elias more than anything.

Bill Oswalt, 517 W. Aspen St., Wichita, KS 67217-2923, <boswalt@earthlink.net>. Need to know the earlier generations of Levi Sanders, b. 1762; was my ggggGrandfather. He was married to Charlotte Spencer. His descendants were Elihu Sanders, b. 1787 in Tenn., and m. to Lucinda \_\_\_; Elijah Sanders, 1819-1873, m. to Elizabeth Franks; Christopher Charles Sanders, 1840-1902, m. to Sarah Jane Heflin; and James Christopher Sanders, 1873-1962, m. to Laura Warner.

Judy Sander Cockrell, 3768 N. Hills Drive, Fort Worth, TX 76117, <jjcockrell@msn.com> is looking for anybody who may have known the following or know of any living relatives of Leroy Fredrick Sander, b. 14 Nov 1913, d. 8 Apr 1983 Seattle, Wash., son of: Carolyn Mills, Enumclaw, Wash. Leroy married Mary E. Churchill, b. ?, d. 11 Apr 1988 Seattle, Wash. Leroy retired from Eyres Transfer & Whse Co. Mary retired from Union Pacific Insurance Co. Lived their lives in the Seattle/Kirkland, Wash. area.

Pam Smart, 11288 Highway 111, Anacoco, LA 71403, <psmart@wnonline.net> is looking for parents/siblings or any clues on Elija Sanders, b. 1834 in Attala Co., Miss. Later moved to Winn Parish, La. along with several other Sanders who I'm sure he's connected to in some way. Lived in Winn Parish, La. from about 1870 - 1880 on census, then disappears. Served in CSA w/Gray's Inf (Louisiana 28 Inf), but not much info there except he joined up!

If you have an Elija in your lines, and he might fit, please let me know.

Susan Kruse, 7200 Princeton Place, Gilroy, CA 95020, <slkruse@garlic.com> is searching for family of Stephen Saunders who moved, with other Presbyterian families from Morris Co., N.J. to Washington Co., Pa. about 1780. Believe he may be the son of early Morris County settler Ephriam Saunders who did have a son Stephen.

From Anne Boone, 716 Winding Way, Bartlesville, OK 74006, <Marlin1869@cs.com>. Grandfather Andrew Masten Sanders, was born 1854 near Lost Creek, Franklin Co., Tenn. as were all his siblings. He died in the 1920s near Fouke, Ark. Married Eliza Ann Hendren (d. of Sterling Hendren and Rebecca Lax) in Jackson Co., Alabama, 1885.

Andrew was the son of Hardy Holman Sanders, born 1816 in Tennessee; and Catherine Anne Clampet/ett, 1820 North Carolina. They married in 1835 in Madison Co., Ala., where her parents, Mathis Masten Clampett and Rebecca Nicholson were living at the time.

Andrew's siblings: John H. Sanders, 1836; George H., 1838; Melvina Jane, 1840; Emily or Emaline, 1842; Elizabeth, 1844; Wiley or William, 1846; Malida, 1848; Hardy H., 1850; Pinkney "Pink," 1852 (killed, Civil War time); Trissa "Trissy", 1856; and Isaac, 1858.

G-Grandfather Hardy's christian name has been recorded in places as being Henry Holman and Holman H. Sanders. He died before 1882, maybe! It appears that he may have been a twin, thus the confusion. This Sanders clan of mine were quite colorful. [I know they were related to the Boone and Daniel (distillery) lines.] And, the same day, same place he married his Catherine Anne Clampet ~ another Hardy (or Henry?) married Catherine Campbell.

Hardy's siblings are believed to be: [1.] Elizabeth, 1810, married a Tillman Smith then Nimrod Sandridge; [2.] Benjamin F, 1815; [3.] Hardy, or Henry, or both, 1816 ~ or Henry came along in 1818; [4.] William Boone; [5.] Cynthia, 1821-1921, married Jonathan Millege Reynolds; [6.] Felix Harper, 1825-1897; and [7.] Nancy, 1827, married William H. Neal. Were these children really the offsprings of a union between a William Sanders and Anne Daniel, daughter of Elizabeth Address Calaway Daniel?

Annette Shelton, 189 Wheeler Road, Monroe, LA 71203, <shelton@bayou.com> would like to hear from anyone whose Sanders research focuses on Franklin or Wake Counties in North Carolina from 1770-1830. Of special interest are any Sanders/Saunders family names "Thomas," "Edward," or "Edwin."

From C. B. Borgstedt, P. O. Box 1022, Brenham, TX 77834, <AlandCB@aol.com>. I am searching for any information on a Frank C. Saunders, b. 1838 in Tenn., and his wife Rachel (last name unknown) b. 1840 in Tenn. They had at least one daughter named Permilia Emaline (Emma) b. 17 Apr 1868, in Missouri, d. 1902 in Glen Rose, Somerville Co., Texas. Emma married Benjamin Charlton Israel in 1882 in Hill Co., Texas. ANY information will be appreciated.

Elnora Bowen, 1106 Westland Road, Sapulpa, OK 74066, <swteb@aol.com>. Steven Sanders/Saunders m. Caroline Woolard in 1834 in Gibson Co., Ind. These people are gr gr grandparents. I am trying to find out about the Saunders/Sanders family. Steven is from Kentucky. I have some info on Caroline Woolard's family. I know nothing besides Steven Saunders' name. I do have a picture of Steven. I have pictures of Margaret Jane Saunders and Ferguson Brazelton. Their dau., Margaret Jane, my gr grandmother, was b. in Gibson Co., Ind. She married Ferguson Brazelton, son of David, son of John, son of Jacob. Their middle dau., Mary E., a twin of Martha who died about 2 yrs of age, was born in Gibson Co. in 1862. This family moved a lot. Samuel was b. in Iowa, Lenora, in Kansas, and they were in Missouri in 1886 for that is when Mary E. married Hiram E. Inman of Mt. Grove, Mo. Mary E. and Hiram Inman moved to Stroud, Okla. in 1901. Some time later, Margaret and Ferguson moved there also. Ferguson and Margaret Jane Saunders Brazelton are buried at Kendrick, Okla. Mary E. and Hiram Inman are buried at Stroud, Okla. Hiram-1929, Mary-1943. Mary Brazelton Inman had several brothers and sisters. On the marriage record of Steven and Caroline, Steven's name was spelled Sanders. A picture I have shows the Saunders spelling. I have been trying for a long time to find out about Steven Saunders' siblings, parents and his children besides Margaret Jane. If I recall, correctly, he was from Kentucky. ■

#### ELUSIVE KINSMAN

Alas, my elusive kinsman  
You've led me quite a chase  
I thought I'd found your courthouse  
But the Yankees burned the place.

You always kept your bags packed  
Although you had no fame, and  
Just for the fun of it  
Twice you changed your name.

You never owed any man, or  
At least I found no bills  
In spite of eleven offspring  
You never left a will.

They say our name's from Europe  
Came state side on a ship  
Either they lost the passenger list  
Or granddad gave them the slip.

I'm the only one looking  
Another searcher I can't find  
I pray (maybe that's his fathers name)  
As I go out of my mind.

They said you had a headstone  
In a shady plot  
I've been there twenty times, and  
Can't even find the lot.

You never wrote a letter  
Your Bible we can't find  
It's probably in some attic  
Out of sight and out of mind.

You first married a .....Smith  
And just to set the tone  
The other four were Sarahs  
And everyone a Jones.

You cost me two fortunes  
One of which I did not have  
My wife, my house and Fido  
God, how I miss that yellow lab.

But somewhere you slipped up, Ole Boy,  
Somewhere you left a track  
And if I don't find you this year  
Well..... Next year I'll be back! ■

**Boone County (Kentucky) Family Cemeteries:** Sanders Cemetery - on Henry Robinson's farm 1 and 1/2 miles from New Haven School on Hicks Pike at the iron bridge near Union, Boone County:

H. D. Sanders departed this life March 18, 1852, aged 31 years, 2 months, 3 days:

Infant daughter of Benjamin E. and Katie A. Bentz born and died August 2, 1873: Footstone: I.B. (nothing else). On infant daughter, there is no clear determination whether this is Sanders or Bentz. ■

#### Do You Have Links to This Dudley Sanders in Louisiana?

Jimmy Earl Cooley, 2402 Peachstone Court, Silver Spring, MD 20905-4314, <jecooley@erols.com>. I live in Maryland but originally from Louisiana and searching for my Sanders kin.

I understand that Travis, Moses, and Issac came from Miss. and settled in Winn Parish, La. around 1840-1850. I'm especially interested in great grandfather Dudley Sanders, father of my grandmother Susan Itonia Sanders.

My great grandfather Dudley Sanders, b. 3 Feb 1844 in Miss., d. 16 Feb 1878; married Permilia Dian Walker, b. 27 Apr 1849, d. 3 May 1930. Dudley's father was Moses. Dudley and Permilia had six children:

Martha Melrose Tennessee Sanders, b. 7 Aug 1866, d. 20 Sep 1871

George Moses Sanders, b. 10 Apr 1868, d. 19 Nov 1870

Marshal Augustus Sanders, b. 7 Apr 1869

Edna Amensa Sanders, b. 7 Apr 1872.

She married J.T. Tatum on 4 Aug 1898 in Sabine Parish.

Susan Itonia Sanders, b. 12 Jul 1875, d. 19 May 1951. Susan Sanders married John Cooley on 25 Dec 1895 in Sabine Parish.

Isaac Dudley Sanders, b. 4 Oct 1878, d. 17 Jul 1879

Dudley died in 1878 and Permilia remarried to William Terrell Sanders. They had two children.

Stacy Anerina Sanders, b. 26 Sep 1882, d. 15 Jan 1953

William Whalles Coalmon Sanders, b. 22 Jan 1886, d. 24 Aug 1943

Dudley saw time in the Civil War with the 28th (Gray's) Louisiana Inf. He enlisted in Tullulah, La. in 1862 and was paroled on 7 Jun 1865. ■

**Naturalizations in Elkhart County, Ind.** included these names. Further information on these should be requested from the Indiana State Archives, 140 N. Senate Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46204.

Sanders, Alfred, age 25, England, arrival- 3 Nov 1856, Book 1, page 112.

Sanders, Samuel, age 22, England, arrival- 5 Nov 1860, Book 1, page 294 ■

## About This Issue

All queries received to date from subscribers have been included. All other queries have been used. There were only two left over from the April issue. They have all been used. Let me know if yours was missed. More queries are still needed.

Thanks for the good stories. I had lots of good material left over. Many articles were rather long and I may just have to wait for the right size space to fit them in. Keep sending in stories and other products of your research, but I need a few shorter ones. Also, more good pictures are needed to support stories and queries.

E-mail addresses of contributors are listed right after their regular mailing address in these signs <>, if the person has an e-mail address.

It will be very much appreciated if you send me your queries and other material via e-mail. Send it to me at <dschaeffe@uark.edu> or <DES32@aol.com>. If you can't e-mail, 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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## Do You Need to Get in Touch With Other Sanders Researchers?

Presently, I have in my *Sanders Siftings* database the names and addresses of over 1,000 Sanders or Saunders researchers. Some are subscribers, some are former subscribers, and others are not subscribers, but have received a sample copy. The subscriber list has pretty up-to-date addresses; the others not so much so. If you should need someone's telephone number or e-mail address, please let me know.

These lists *will not be made available to anyone*, so your privacy will be protected. ■

## This is the Will of Joseph Sanders of the Abbeville District of South Carolina

As in Vol. 15 of *The Pauline Young Genealogical & Historical Collection of South Carolina Wills and Records*. Found under Will of Joseph Sanders in Box 110, Pack 3160, in Probate Judges Office, Abbeville, S.C.:

In the name of God, Amen. I Joseph Sanders of Abbeville District in the State of South Carolina, being weak of body, but of sound mind and memory blessed of God, do this the twenty-first day of April, in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirteen, make and publish this my last will and testament.

First, I resign my Soul to God, in confidence that He will receive it, and raise it up at the last day when I shall see Him for myself and not for another. Secondly, I will all my just debts be paid. Thirdly, I will that my wife Rebecka Sanders keep all my property, viz. Negroes, horses, cows, hogs, plantation tools and household and kitchen furniture, whatsoever in the plantation for the use of all my children and their consolation until my youngest Son, Joseph Hill Sanders comes of age and then a division of the place as follows:

Firstly, I will that all my property be valued by three free holders, and my land be equally divided between my three Sons, John Sanders, William Muckelero Sanders, and Joseph Hill Sanders and let them [illegible, with context meaning] divide my personal and real property into equal shares. I will that my wife keep as much of the property as will maintain her during her life and then let it go back to my children, but should my wife Rebecka Sanders marry, let her have the third of my land and property as long as she lives, and then let it go back to my children and be equally divided among them. I will that if either of my sons marry before the time of the division takes place, let him settle on one part of

the plantation.

I also will that my daughter Mary Sanders shall have when she marries one feather bed with furniture to be valued in the above mentioned. I will that the title of the land, which Frances Chambers now lives on, be given to her, for her sole use, and at her death to be correctly [?] divided amongst her children, provided that she pay my heirs two hundred dollars when she can.

And I make and ordain my wife Rebecka Sanders sole executor of this my last will in trust for the interest and purposes in this my last will contained. In Witness whereof said Joseph Sanders have to my last will and testament Set my hand & Seal the day and year above written. Signed and sealed in the presence of us who are present at the signing and sealing thereof.

John Brannon Jos. Sanders  
John Sanders  
James E. Brannon

Proved in Abbeville District, South Carolina, 29th June 1813

by John Brannon and John Sanders ■

## Know About Wiley Morgan Sanders?

Jim Sanders, 5557 Renoir Port Lane, Burke, VA 22015, <utebear@erols.com>. Just found a lead and hoping someone out there will see it and contact me. I am searching for my g-g-grandfather and g-g-grandmother. My great grandfather Wiley Morgan Sanders was born 6 Jun 1849 in Butler Co., Ala. At the Archives in Washington I located a brother Isaac (b. 1825 in Ga. according to 1900 U.S. census), daughter Ella E., born 1883 Ala.; son Edwin L., born 1892 Ala.; and daughter Ruth B., born 1894. These folks were located in Hurtsboro, Russell Co., Ala. I had always been told my great great grandfolks had come from Ireland, but the census shows they were born in S.C. Does anyone have information on Isaac's wife's name? Name of Isaac's mother and father? I know they were in Ga. as that was where Isaac was born. I was told as a young child about Isaac and we had letters at one time from Hurtsboro area so I am sure this is my line. I also was told there were other brothers and a sister. This has been a brick wall for many years. This is the biggest break I have ever had. ■

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