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## Pension Files For William Sanders Give Researcher Some Valuable Information

Bonnie Andersen has recently found some significant information about her ancestor, William Sanders of Kingsessing, Pa. This is an example of some of the better information that can be obtained from Revolutionary War pension files. Here is what she transcribed from some of the handwritten files:

Declaration in Order to obtain benefits of the Act of Congress, passed June 7th, 1832.

State of Ohio

Columbiana County

On this twenty-ninth day of April 1833 personally appeared in open court before the Court of Common Pleas, now sitting William Sanders resident of the said county of Columbiana and state of Ohio, aged eighty-seven years the thirty-first day of May next, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, in his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefits of the act of congress passed June 7th, 1832; that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as therein stated, that he was drafted in Philadelphia county vicinity Pennsylvania in a company commanded by Captain Isaac Warner, in a regiment commanded by Colonel Pascal, the day, month or year he cannot recollect, that he marched from Philadelphia to New York and remained there for two months when the time for which he was drafted expired; that he was afterwards drafted in Philadelphia county, and marched in a company commanded by Captain Roberts to Newton in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, and remained there about two months when the time for which he was drafted expired and returned to his home near Philadelphia; that he was again drafted near Philadelphia and marched in a company commanded by Captain John Young up the Delaware river and camped at Connelly's Ferry into New Jersey in

pursuit of the British who were destroying the property of the inhabitants; that he served on this tour two months for which he was drafted and returned home as last mentioned; he drove a team with a baggage waggon up above Germantown and was there taking care of the baggage at the time of the battle, that some time after the battle he returned home having been out two months on this tour, that sometime after he returned home as last mentioned he again drove a team with a baggage waggon up the Schuylkill to Valley Forge near which was the American Army on one side and the British on the other where he remained until the expiration of the two months for which he was engaged and then returned home. He further states that he served another tour of two months in driving baggage waggon to the head of ?? the time the army marched there, and he then returned home. He further states that he took two prisoners, marched them to headquarters, but this was not during any of his tour of duty; that he has no documentary evidence to prove his service. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity in up to the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. Sworn to and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid.

William Sanders  
his mark

Charles Coffin, clerk

Mr. Jacob Sanders & Abraham Robins residing in the said county of Columbiana, hereby notify, that we are well acquainted with William Sanders, who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration, that we believe him to be eighty-seven years of age, that he is respected and believed in the neighborhood where he resides to have been a soldier of the revolution, and that we

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## *Have You Followed Your Ancestors Across The Waters?*

How many of you have traced your Sanders/Saunders ancestors across to England, Ireland, or where ever—across the waters? Just raise your hands. That's what I thought. You haven't had much luck, have you? You are not alone.

First, you have to have a clear line back to the first Sanders/Saunders who set foot in America. I haven't done that, yet, and probably most of you haven't.

Many of our Sanders ancestors came to this country 250 or 300 years ago when they may not have been considered immigrants since so many came from England, Ireland or Scotland—and the colonies were just another part of their world.

We have had excellent articles from Paul Saunders, telling about his research connecting with his ancestors in England.

How about hearing from others? Can you send me an article about how you connected with Sanders or Saunders ancestors in another country? Do you have some stories and pictures about your thrilling meetings with relatives that you found in another country? Did you take pictures of old home places while you were there?

These accounts can be very encouraging to those of us who have not made that BIG jump.

Please do not hurry to any conclusions about where your ancestors came from. Make that connection to the first ancestor in America and don't piggy-back on someone else's research—without good reason.

Do you have a story to share? ■

Don Schaefer, *editor*

## Mario Perrino's "Brick Wall" is Elijah Sanders, Born About 1797 in Cumberland Gap, Ky.

From Mario Perrino, 2941 Country Woods Lane, Cincinnati, OH 45248 5058, <mperrino@cinci.rr.com>. My brick wall is Elijah B. Sanders. I cannot find out who his ancestors were. Here's the information I have concerning Elijah B. He was born about 1797 in Kentucky while his family was apparently traveling through the Cumberland Gap from the Carolinas. He had a brother named Reubin P. Sanders who was born about 1794 in South Carolina. I have been told that Elijah's father may have been George W. Sanders and he had additional siblings named Elihu and possibly John, William, and Elisha.

There are a number of land transactions in White and Warren Counties, Tenn. between 1810 and 1820 that list the names of George, Elijah, Elijah B., Reubin P., George W., and Elihu Sanders/Saunders. Land records showed Elijah B. purchased and sold land in White Co., Tenn. between 1809 and 1820, and he was living in Ala. between 1816 and 1829. Following are a few of them.

From Warren Co., Tenn. Deed Book A, page 511-512 20 June 1816. Elijah B. Sanders, George W. Sanders, Elijah Sanders Sr., Elisha Sanders of White and Warren Co. to Randolph Ross of Virginia for \$100.00, - 60 acres in Warren Co. including the pond near the Arch Cave which is part of one moiety (a half) of one tract of 30 acres granted to Elijah Sanders and Elijah Drake by Grant #5137 which now remains un conveyed, the residue thereof having heretofore been conveyed to a certain Tucker M. Woodson bounded by Thos. S. Williams line, Reuben P. Sanders corner, corner of George W. Sanders' 970 acres. Reg. 21 April 1818.

From Warren Co, Tenn. Deed Book A, page 513-14 18 Oct 1817. Elijah B. Sanders, to George W. Sanders both of White Co., Tenn. for \$100.00, the following tracts of land - 30 acres granted by the state of Tennessee by Grant #5137 to said Elijah B. Sanders and Elijah Drake.. John S. Williams corner.. Reuben P. Sanders corner. The other containing 970 acres granted by the state of Tennessee to Elijah B. Sanders and Elijah Drake by Grant #5142. Reuben P. Sanders corner.. including Big Bone Cave.. the mouth of Arch Cave. Reg. 24 April 1818.

From Warren Co., Tenn. deed book

D, April 1820 January 1824, page 186 has this entry - 8 August 1821: Elijah B. Sanders of Madison Co., Alabama to Michael Dean of Warren Co., Tennessee, 13 acres granted to Elijah B. Sanders by the state of Tennessee, Grant #12660 dated 27 October 1818. Signed Elijah B. Sanders by his attorney in fact, George W. Sanders. Witnesses: M. Hogan, J. T. Jones 15 October 1821, proven by oath of Marcus Hogan and J. T. Jones. Registered 17 October 1821.

Reubin, George and Elijah moved to Madison Co., Ala. sometime around 1822-23 and then moved to Lowndes Co., Miss. near present day, Steens, northeast of Columbus, Miss. About 1828, Elijah B. and Reubin P. were lay preachers and charter members of a group that organized the first Methodist Church in Lowndes Co. known as Piney Grove Methodist church.

Elijah B. was listed in the 1830 Lowndes Co., Miss. census. I also found him in the 1840 Lowndes Co., Miss. census, in the 1850 Pontotoc Co., Miss. census, in the 1860 Pontotoc Co., Miss. census and in the 1870 Chickasaw Co., Miss. census. I have been unable to locate later information about Elijah B. after the 1870 census. Elijah B. and Lydia's children were Jesse, b. abt 1816; William, b. abt 1821; Martha, b. abt 1824; Elijah Simpson, b. abt 1825 (all born in Alabama); Lydia C., b. abt 1829; Martin S., b. 12 Nov 1830; Elizabeth, b. abt 1834; Sarah J., b. abt 1835; Arminda, b. abt 1837; and Elzy W., b. abt 1842 (all born in Miss.). ■

## Presley Sanders' Parents Finally Located

From Wanda McKay, 45641 Calle Ayora, Temecula, CA 92592-1219, <mckay123@earthlink.net>. I have been looking for my Presley Sanders' parents for a few years. I finally found them. Presley Sanders' parents were Almond Sanders and Patsy (Martha) Dye. Martha's parents were Fauntleroy Dye and Annie Kelley. They were in Richmond County, Va. I also have Fauntleroy Dye's family back another three generations. Fauntleroy Dye was in the Navy in the Rev. War and I have sent for his military papers but have not received them yet. ■

## Milton Saunders, Deaf From Measles Illness, Led Successful Life

This material on Milton Saunders was submitted by Susan Saunders, 4462 E. 1251 Rd. Trlr. 9, Earlville, IL 60518, <susansaunders@tnsn.com>. For more detail on Milton's parents and his siblings, including Alvin Saunders, the first governor of Nebraska, see page 1 of the April 1998 issue of *Sanders Siftings*.

MILTON SAUNDERS was born October 3, 1836 in Springfield, Illinois, to Jonathon Robinson and Sarah [McKinnie] Saunders. Some family bible records of Jonathon shows Milton as James. His father, Jonathon R. Saunders, was born February 17, 1802 in Fleming Co., Ky. to Gunnels and Mary [Mauzy] Saunders. Sarah McKinnie was born to Lewis and Nancy [Saunders-Gunnell's sister] McKinnie in Fleming County on January 16, 1801. Milton grew up outside Springfield and received a common school education. He learned farming from his father, Jonathon. He married January 1, 1861 to Anna E. Edwards, who preceded him in death at the age of 23 years in or about 1863. They had three daughters: Nellie Etta, Cora, and Frances Sarah/Sarah Frances. Not sure if Frances was Anna's daughter or Martha's or if date is right. In 1868, their daughter Cora died. Milton became ill with measles, as a result he lost his hearing. School record shows he was admitted in 1849. So his father sent him to nearby Jacksonville, Morgan County, Ill., where the Jacksonville Institute for the Deaf is located. The school records show his marriage to Anna E. Edwards as a speaking lady of mute parents. He attended school there, and met a former student and matron of the school, Martha E. Beeley. School records record that Martha was born deaf and placed in the school by her mother. The two married August 28, 1872 in Morgan County, and moved back to Springfield, starting a farm twelve miles north of Springfield on Peoria Road, at a place known as Twelve Mile Place where a Public Inn used to be located. They had three children: Lillian, Marcia D., and only son Milton, Jr. School records say that he prospered and that all their children could hear. He was known as a good farmer and stockman. He retired from farming 1892 and moved in to Springfield. He passed away at age 66 years, October 18, 1902 in Springfield, Ill. Both Milton and second wife were deaf. ■

## William Sanders' Pension

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concur - in that opinion, sworn and subscribed this day and year aforesaid.

Jacob H. Sanders  
Abraham Robins

Charles D. Coffin, clerk

And the said court do hereby declare their opinion, after investigation of the matter, and after putting the interrogatories prescribed by the War Department that the above named applicant was a revolutionary soldier, and served as he states, that the court further notified that it appears to them that Jacob Sanders and Abraham Robins - who have signed the preceding certificate are residents of said county of Columbiana and are credible persons and that their statement is entitled to credit.

Interrogations propounded by the court

1. When and in what year were you born? Answer: In Kingsessing near Philadelphia, Penna and the year 1746.
2. Have you any record of your age and if so where is it? Answer: I have not except my indenture of apprentice, which is at my house where I live.
3. Where were you living when called into service; where have you lived since the revolutionary war and where do you live now? Answer: Near Philadelphia, Penna where he remained until two years since when he removed to the county of Columbiana, Ohio.
4. How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer, - or were you a substitute? Answer: I was drafted.
5. State the name of some of the regular officers who were with you, the troops where you served, such continental and militia regiments you can recollect, and the general circumstances of your service. Answer: It is a long time since and I cannot distinctly recollect any others than those I have named, Colonel John Pascal, Captains Warner, Roberts, and Young.
6. Did you ever receive any discharge, - I did not receive any written discharges.

Name any persons in your neighborhood that can testify to your character and services as a revolutionary soldier. Answer: Jacob Sanders and

## Roena Vinson Married William J. Sanders

Peggy Sanders Peninger 340 Kimberly Ave., Brandon, MS 39042, <pinkgen@bellsouth.net>.

I am wanting to find any information on the siblings and father, John B. Vinson, of Roena Vinson Sanders. She was born 1 Feb 1869 in Attala County, Miss. She died 20 May 1938 in Attala County, Miss. She is buried in New Hope Cemetery, North Attala, Kosciusko, Miss. Her mother was

Matilda Wallace. Roena married William Jefferson Sanders. He was born 1 July 1864 in Kosciusko, Attala County, Miss. He died 1 Nov 1935 and is buried in New Hope Cemetery, North Attala, Kosciusko, Miss.

Their children: Frank P., b. Feb 1895 in Miss.; Sidney, b. Jan 1890 in Miss.; Claudy (female), b. Jul 1892 in Miss.; Floy (female), b. Dec 1894 in Miss.; Lee; Vinson; and May, b. Jul 1898. ■

Abraham Robins.

William Sanders  
his mark

C. D. Coffin, clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for said Columbiana county do certify that the foregoing contains the original proceedings of the said court in the matter of William Sanders, an applicant for a pension.

Witness my signature & the seal of said court at New Lisbon the 29th of May 1833

Charles D. Coffin, clerk

Philadelphia County

The deposition of Martin Walters taken before the subscriber one of the Justice of the Peace of the county affordance who being duly sworn depose and sayeth that he was a soldier in the service of the state of Pennsylvania during the War of the Revolution; that he served a company in 1776 was at Perth Amboy, Paulaus Hook, Elizabethtown and that he recollects this William Sanders, the present applicant was in the service during the said company; that the said deponent served also during the fall and winter of 1777 while the British was in Phil<sup>ea</sup>; that the said deponent knows that the said applicant succeeded in taking two prisoners near Phil<sup>ea</sup> while the enemy lay in that city and after disarming them he with a man of the name of Peter Milfont, marched them to the headquarters of General Washington's army there laying at the Valley Forge on the Schuylkill, the deponent well recollects that the said applicant was in the service in the two years above mentioned; that he thinks he recollects that the said applicant was in the service of the state in the year 1778; that the said applicant was always considered an active brave and useful soldier, and further sayeth not.

Martin Walters

his mark

Sworn and subscribed before me this 20th day of September 1832,

Henry Leech

Justice of the Peace

I hereby certify that the above named Martin Walters is a respectable good citizen aged about 76.

Henry Leech

Bonnie Andersen's connection to this William Sanders is as follows:

1. William Sanders, b. 31 May 1746, Kingsessing, Pa.; d. 9 Mar 1839, Columbiana Co., Ohio
2. William Henry Sanders, d. Winchester, Ind.
3. Henry William Sanders, b. 11 Sep 1813, Erie, Pa.; m. Hannah Anna Redman 2 Jan 1838, Columbiana Co., Ohio; d. 2 Mar 1879, Steuben Co., Ind.
4. Harvey Ross Sanders, b. 9 Nov 1839, N. Georgetown, Ohio; m. Mary Ann Oyster 25 Jul 1851, Richland, Ohio; d. 14 Mar 1921, Ithaca, N.Y.
5. Henry Russell Saunders, b. 21 Aug 1868, Beloit, Ohio; m. Tacey Mae Stanley 1 Mar 1890, Beloit, Ohio; d. 28 Jan 1944, Johnson City, N.Y.
6. Henry Russell Saunders, b. 12 Jan 1902, Beloit, Ohio; m. J. Irene Adama 26 Apr 1928, Binghamton, N.Y.; d. 25 Feb 1986, St. Petersburg, Fla.
7. Bonnie Delores Saunders (Andersen), b. 26 Sep 1939, Binghamton, N.Y.

If you have questions about this William Sanders, or if you think you connect to this line, you may contact Bonnie Andersen at 410 S. Meriden Road, Cheshire, CT 06410-2926, <transit@juno.com>. ■



## Congressman “Howdy” Martin of Texas Had Some Sanders Descendants

William Harrison Martin was born September 2, 1822 in Twiggs County, Georgia. He moved to Henderson County, Texas in 1851 and began to practice law. Later, he was a state Senator, a member of Hood's Brigade during the Civil War, and a U.S. Congressman. He was called “Howdy Martin” in tribute to his invariable greeting to everyone he met. He moved to Hill County in 1894 and died there in 1898.

From *Family Histories of Henderson County, Volume 1*, 1981, Henderson County Historical Commission, p. 216: “One of Howdy Martin's daughters, Martha Sanders, returned to Athens as a widow with three children. A grandson, Robert Sanders, became a prominent citizen of Athens, residing there until his death in 1961. A historical marker has been erected to the memory of Howdy Martin with granddaughter Ruby Lee Sanders Schiwetz present.”

The following information on the descendants of John Bunyan Sanders is from the following Web page, maintained by Ray Holt, accessed July 19, 2002: <<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~rayholt/MartinFamily/mart0005.htm#i3261>>.

Martha Elizabeth Martin, born 17 Dec 1878 Athens, Henderson County, Texas; married John Bunyan Sanders circa 1897 Walnut Springs, Bosque County, Texas; died 4 Apr 1963 Athens, Henderson Co., Texas, at age 84; buried after 4 Apr 1963 Old Cemetery, Hillsboro, Hill County, Texas.

Children of Martha Elizabeth Martin and John Bunyan Sanders were as follows:

i. Robert B. Sanders, born 1898 Walnut Springs, Bosque County, Texas; married Frances Marie Dunn. Robert B. Sanders married Frances Marie Dunn circa 1918 Kaufman County, Texas; died 8 May 1961 Athens, Henderson County, Texas; buried after 8 May 1961 Athens City Cemetery, Athens, Henderson County, Texas. Robert and John N. Murchison organized the Sanders and Murchison Oil Company which drilled many producing oil wells. He also served as the chairman of the Texas Mid Continent Oil and Gas Association. The child of of Robert B. Sanders and Frances Marie Dunn is Nannearle Sanders, born circa 1920 Athens, Henderson County, Texas; married G. V. Nash circa 1940 Athens, Henderson County, Texas.

ii. Ruby Lee Sanders, born 20 Jul 1902 Athens, Henderson County, Texas; married Edward Muegge Schiwetz, circa 1920 Athens, Henderson County, Texas. Ruby Lee was an artist whose paintings and sculpture won prizes. Some of her works in ceramics are among the permanent collection of the Dallas Museum of Fine Art.

iii. Hugh Sanders; born after 1902 Athens, Henderson County, Texas.

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## How About “Jack” Sanders of Kentucky?

Joe Carroll, 465 Sunset Terrace, Cedar Park, TX 78613, <[CARROLL465@aol.com](mailto:CARROLL465@aol.com)> is searching for information on the family of John “Jack” Sanders, b. 6 May 1816 in Christian Co., Ky. (possibly son of Robert Sanders) and d. 5 Aug 1871 in Shelby Co., Texas. He married Rachel Boyd Williamham in 1838 in Haywood Co., Tenn. She was b. 3 May 1820 in Halifax Co., Va. and d. 3 Jun 1881 in Shelby Co., Texas. They had six children:

1. Catherine, b. abt 1839 in Ala.; mar John Wilburn 28 Oct 1858 in Tenn.
2. James, b. 30 Aug 1840 in Haywood

Co., Tenn.; d. 14 Dec 1863 in Confederate Army.

3. Ann Eliza, b. 2 Aug 1841 in Haywood Co., Tenn.; d. 29 Sep 1922 in Shelby Co., Texas.

4. John, Jr., b. 17 May 1844 in Shelby Co., Texas; d. 19 Jan 1922 in Shelby Co., Texas.

5. Susan M., b. 8 Mar 1846; d. 15 Nov 1846.

6. Sarah Elizabeth, b. Shelby Co., Texas; d. 15 Jan 1924 in Newton Co., Ark.; 1/mar Lemuel Jones; 2/mar Lafayette Osborn; 3/mar John Wilburn.

Willing to share information and appreciate any information on the family. ■

## Saunders-Monticello Trail Has Bridge Named Saunders

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. - Saunders Bridge, the new entrance to Thomas Jefferson's Monticello, was opened to traffic at 3 p.m. today (Wed., July 3).

Saunders Bridge is a stone-arch span over Route 53 with a cloverleaf roadway that allows vehicles traveling eastbound on Route 53 to enter Monticello without turning left across lanes of oncoming traffic. The bridge is the capstone of the Thomas Jefferson Parkway, a linear park along Route 53 that includes Kemper Park and the Saunders-Monticello Trail. A walkway on the bridge will be connected to the Saunders-Monticello Trail later this summer, which will allow pedestrians and cyclists to enter the grounds of Monticello from the trail.

Work on the \$3.4 million bridge project began in July 2000, with W.C. English, Inc., of Lynchburg the general contractor and Peter Hatch, Monticello's director of gardens and grounds, the project manager.

Saunders Bridge was named in recognition of a leadership gift from Thomas A. Saunders III, chairman of the Thomas Jefferson Foundation's Board of Trustees, and his wife, Jordan. Thomas Jefferson himself envisioned constructing a bridge at this same location, called Thoroughfare Gap, to connect Monticello with Montalto, now known as Brown's Mountain.

Although Jefferson never constructed a bridge at the site, he was an admirer of stone-arch bridges. In 1787, he described the new stone-arch Pont du Neuilly in Paris as “the handsomest bridge in the world.” ■

Sue Woodford, P.O. Box 3692, Salem, OR 97306 is looking for information on ancestors and family of Oliver Sanders and his son, William Joseph Sanders. Oliver was born abt 1828 and died in 1864 in Sabine Parish, La. He m. Mary Ann Jane Vidler. Among their children were William Joseph Sanders, b. 1 Jan 1845 and d. 16 Apr 1922. He m. Martha Jane Puckett 4 Mar 1876. Their daughter Effie Mae Sanders was my grandmother. Effie was born 29 Mar 1883 in Sabine Parish and died 4 Mar 1947. She m. Ollie L. Pynes. ■

## Joseph Sanders/Mary Lamb Are Brick Walls For Kerry Sanders in Iowa

Kerry A. Sanders, 3900 Beverly Road, SW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52404. "My Wall," if you will, has been from Joseph Sanders/Mary Lamb and earlier. My father had information passed down to him from my grandfather, starting here, indicating one of his sons, Henry (b. 26 Oct 1751 and marrying Dica Blake) went forward to sire a Joseph who married Nancy Cox. They had 12 children, of them, Levi is my direct ancestor. From Levi, there was Wright, then Edward Barton Sanders, then Lloyd, then my father John Sanders (b. 23 Sep 1929). It noted this Joseph was the grandson of the Joseph that came from England. As I searched the internet sites, most noted that Joseph's father was Benjamin, whose father was William (Mary Hall), whose father was a John Sanders (b. 1611 or 1613 in England). There in a nut shell is my "wall." Very little confirmation of anything. I have exchanged e-mails with Gary who pretty much confirmed that... very little confirmation. Do you have anything or any sources I can check? During 1634-1656 there were five Johns coming from England, and one William... a woman who provided information to the LDS web, noted John coming on the Merchant's Hope, born in 1611, marrying Susannah Ravenett.... The Merchant's Hope noted John to be 22, coming in 1635... (Therefore born in 1613). I would appreciate any light you could shed.... I have a friend in England who is going to try and check some things for me at some point and I have received some good early information from some sources in England. ■

Lorraine Williams, 146 Harold Williams Lane, Benndale, MS 39456, <flaw@telepak.net>. My gg-grandfather was Robert Henry Sanders, DOB unknown, born in Green Co., Ky. Married Pernicia Catherine Bumgarner on 20 Jul 1866. Their children were born in Mason Co., Texas where Pernicia is also buried. He died 2 Apr 1888. I've been told that he is buried in Hopkins Co., Texas but since I found out that his family was from Kentucky I've wondered if he may be buried in Hopkins Co., Ky. I would like to know if anyone from either of these counties could research this. ■

### Siftings Back Issues Available

Back issues of SANDERS Siftings are available at \$3.00 each. They are: No. 2, July 1995 through No. 31, October 2002.

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

## Searching For Descendants Of Thomas Sanders, S.C.

From June Raimer Poole, 5229 Eden Roc Dr., Marrero, LA 70072, <JuneRP56@aol.com>. I'm searching for the descendants of Thomas Sanders married to Claricy Rutland of Orangeburg Dist., S.C. They lived in the late 1700s and early 1800s. Blancett Sanders, married to Sarah Hughes, migrated to Washington Parish, La. by 1811. He had a son Wm. Sanders married to Celia Morgan. Wm. Sanders was born about 1810; Celia Morgan Sanders was born about 1818. They are in the 1840 and 1850 census of Washington Parish, La. They also owned land in St. Tammany Parish, La. Wm. and Celia are in the 1860 census for Calcasieu Parish, La. They disappear from the census by 1870. Three of their children: Mary born abt. 1859, Joseph, and Carroll M. Sanders born 1861 are living in the household of Wm. and Minerva Perkins. Does anyone know what happened to Wm. & Celia Sanders? Wm. Perkins grandmother was Martha Morgan Perkins born in S.C. and in Calcasieu Parish by 1827. ■

## Researching Family of William Sanders, Va.

From Pat Sanders 2930 22nd Street Woodward, OK 73801 <ka5jgl@swbell.net>. I am researching the family of William and Virginia (Hall) Sanders from Nansemond County, Virginia. My husband is a descendent of their grandson, Joseph and wife, Mary (Lamb) Sanders. The family moved from Virginia, to North Carolina, to South Carolina, and eventually to Orange County, Indiana. My husband's 2nd gr grandfather, Jesse Laswell Sanders moved from Indiana to Arkansas. Their children moved on to Oklahoma. Would love to correspond with other "cousins." Other related surnames are: Cox, Laswell, Lamb, Blake, Elliott, Way, Copple, Burton. ■

## Looking For Information On Dr. Andrew J. Sanders

Janis L. (McCall) Dunham, 5032 Burwood Ave., Covina, CA 91722-1005 is looking for info on Dr. Andrew J. Sanders, especially his parents. Andrew J. was born ca 1830-1832. He died in 1895 in Columbia Co., Ga. He married ca 1856/57 to Georgia Rebecca Drane. Georgia was born 2 Aug 1831; died 1902, Columbia Co., Ga. She was a daughter of Stephen Drane and Rebecca Wilson. According to the Harlem Bicentennial Directory, Andrew graduated from the Georgia Medical College at Augusta in 1857, now part of the University System of Georgia. He became a physician. I visited Georgia in 1983 with my Aunt Sarah Jane, a granddaughter of Dr. Sanders and we presented his diploma to the Medical College. Andrew and Georgia R. were residents of Harlem, a city in Columbia Co. Andrew was influential in founding Harlem. He was appointed as one of the first town commissioners and elected "president" of the board of commissioners for the first nine years after the town was incorporated. Andrew J. and Georgia R. had four children. I am a descendant of his daughter, Sarah Rebecca, b. 24 Mar 1868/70 in Harlem, Ga.; died 7 Jul 1948, Richmond Co., Ga. Sarah Rebecca married 1888/89 James Samuel Crouch. Their dau., Georgia Frances Crouch, was b. 9 Aug 1888/89; died 19 Jun 1959 in Richmond Co., Ga. Georgia Frances Crouch married (1) Perry Barksdale. They had a dau., Sara Jane (deceased). Georgia Frances m. (2) Julian Justice McCall in 1920. Georgia and Julian had three sons: John Francis McCall (my father), b. 1 Mar 1921; George Samuel McCall (deceased) and Robert Leo McCall (deceased). I have a few pictures of the Sanders' graves in Columbia County. I would like to share information with anyone connected to this branch of our family. At present, we have no history on Andrew J.'s ancestry. ■

Mollie Condon, 10036 Buckingham, Allen Park, MI 48101, <dennis\_c763@netzero.com>. I am trying to locate info on a Sadie Mae Sanders who married a Johnnie W. Hinson. I have been told Sadie's father was a Conner Sanders but cannot locate him anywhere. Sadie was born in Tenn. and died in the 1970s in Nashville, Tenn. She had siblings but unsure of any of their names. ■

## ASSORTED QUERIES . . .

From James Ellerson Sanders, 169 Dr. Davis Rd., Calhoun, La. 71225, <ellerson@bayou.com>. Our line came from England we think in the early 1800s as our family Bible shows a R. Sanders. There is a James D. Sanders who married Caroline Sanders and they lived in Marion County, Ala. before and during the war for Southern Independence. They moved to Mississippi right after the war. I would be interested in information on Robert R. Sanders born 1830 in Ala.; Cynthia A. Sanders born 1835, Ala.; Permelia E. Sanders, born 1838, Ala.

Wanda Sanders Dean, P. O. Box 7, Rockingham, NC 28380, <cdean5@carolina.rr.com> is looking for information about Jesses Sanders, b. abt 1770 in North Carolina. He was a preacher, at least part time, and he was married to Sallie (or Sarah) Lewis. He is listed on the Moore County census of 1820 and he lived most of his life in that county. It is believed that Jesse's family migrated from Virginia to North Carolina in the early 1700s. I would like to know his parents' names. Jesse and Sallie's children were Hardy, John, Christian, and Mary Francis.

From Marilyn Sanders, 3215 Purdue Place, NE, Albuquerque, NM 87106, <Msrtsanders@aol.com>.

THOMAS WILLIAMS SAUNDERS, b. 24 Dec 1737 to George Saunders and Mary Williams (North Farnham Parish Rec., Richmond Co., Va.). THOMAS SAUNDERS m. Ann Davis 27 Feb 1773 in the Episcopal Church, Kingston Parish, Gloucester, Va. (IGI 7135417). Thomas Sanders was christened 10 Oct 1773 in Sussex, Va. nine months later to Thomas Sanders and Anne (no last name IGI 7135417 source call number 975.53V26M). Does anyone have this book they could look up the ancestry? Thomas Sanders m. Polly Parris 20 May 1799 in Louisa, Va. (IGI 7130548).

The Williams middle name reappears three generations later in our ancestor John Williams Sanders, so I think this may be our line, but would like proof. Are these counties (Kingston Parish, Gloucester, Va., Sussex, Va., Louisa, Va.) close enough to make it likely these Thomases are all the same?

Darlene Wood, 5061 Hart St. NW, Bremerton, WA 98311, <ourhome@ix.netcom.com> is looking for the parents/siblings of James Wade Sanders of Newberry County, S.C. 1870 Maybin-ton. Born abt. 1823. Married (1) Ladosky Lominack (Mary Elizabeth); married (2) Ellen V. Felker. Born of marriage to Ladosky (Mary Elizabeth) Lominack: Jackson Wallace 1848, Adolphus 1851, Pamela (Permelia) 1853, Murkison 1854, Thomas W. 1856, Jefferson (Jeptha) 1858, and Ellis V. 1864. Born of relationship with Ellen V. Felker: Ida Adelia 1858, Henry Augustus McCaskill 1859, Kate C. 1876, Charles O. 1878, and J. William 1861.

From Dora Lue Gillilan, 920 W. Oklahoma Ave., Enid, OK 73701-5428, <fivesquirrels@sbcglobal.net>. I am hunting Susan Sanders, b. ca 1811 in Tenn. or N.C.; mar. John Cline, when and where unknown; supposedly d. 1852 in Aurora, Lawrence Co. Missouri. Children were Martha Jane Cline (who I am not sure Susan was mother of), Nancy Cline, Sylvania Cline, and Samuel Sanders Cline (b. 24 Feb 1848). Susan's father may have been John Sanders.

Robert L. Sanders, 3061 Knotty Pine Dr., Pensacola, FL 32505, <RLSMS2@aol.com> is still seeking information on his GGGG grandfather, Isaac Sanders, b. abt 1765 in vicinity of London, England; came to America abt 1790; d. 7 Sep 1822 in Stephen City, Frederick Co., Va. Married Elizabeth Steele abt 1798 in Frederick Co., Va. Resided in Frederick Co. until death. Six children were born to them between 1799 and 1809. They were; Mary Ann, William C., Elizabeth, Rebecca, Thomas, and James Steele. The family moved sometime after Isaac's death to Richland Co., Ohio. and then on to Lake Co., Ind. and my line to Story Co., Iowa. I am most interested in information on Isaac's parents and siblings. If anyone has any additional information or has a suggestion on how I can proceed I would appreciate a response.

From Joyce Saunders, 620 S 31st St., Billings, MT 59101, <woodtable@imt.net>. My grandfather William Sanders, b. in 1589, in Dist. of Columbia while his parents were living in

Maryland and were farmers. I believe William had siblings. I do not know his parents' names or county where they lived. Next I know of William, he had three children born to him in Kan. A son William Arthur, b. 1888; and twins Earl and Pearl, b. 1890 (sometimes known as Claude & Maude). In 1896 William married my grandmother Myrtle B. Hughes in Logan Co., Okla. There six children born to them there. Myrtle was b. in Charlestown, Ind. William moved his family, except for wife, to Canada in 1910. I believe they boarded the train from Kansas to Emerson, Manitoba, Canada.

From Carol Crowell Hurley, 73 Maiden Lane, Wayland, MA 01778, <Bunnie4059@aol.com>. This family has been hard to research. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Sarah Sanders was born abt. 1800 in Alabama, and died about 1848 in Leake Co., Miss. She married Peter Crowell 2 Jul 1818 in Clarke Co., Ala. Land Transaction: 1 Oct 1835, Pickens Co., Ala. between Sarah Crowel and Moses Sanders as tenants in common (and not joint tenants). This could possibly mean that Moses was Sarah's brother.

Children of Sarah Sanders and Peter Crowell were:

- i. Jenny Crowell.
- ii. John M. Crowell, b. 1819, Ala.; d. 1862, possibly La. or Charlottesville, Va. during the Civil War; m. (1) Nancy Stapleton; b. 1820, Miss.; d. 1900, Ouachita Parish, La.; m. (2) Nancy.
- iii. Peter F. Crowell, b. 1825, Ala.; d. 1855, La.; m. (1) Emily Jane Crowell; m. (2) unknown, Miss.
- iv. Willey S. Crowell, b. 1826, Ala.; d. probably Texas; m. Louisa Crosby; b. 1827, Tenn.; d. probably Texas.

From Melba Bishop, 966 Tyler Street, Oceanside, CA 92057, <OceansideMelba@aol.com>. I am seeking information on the following family:

- 1 James Sanders, b. 1818, d. abt. April 1896 in Geneva, Ala., m. Eliza, b. 1820.
- 2 Nancy A. Sanders, b. 1840, d: 15 Jan 1913 in Dallas, Texas, m. C.D. (Burl) Parker, b. 1830.
- 3 Samuel H. Parker, b. 1861



- 3 Robert L. Parker, b. 1867  
 3 Thomas Parker, b. 1870  
 3 Josephine Parker, b. 1874  
 3 Virginia E. Parker, b. 1876  
 2 John A. Sanders, b. 1842  
 2 William Thomas Sanders, b. 1833, d. 1927, buried in Catalpa Cemetery south of Sandfield at Ebenezer, Banks, Pike Co., Ala.; m. Mary Jane Reese (b. 1844) 2 Nov 1865 in Troy, Pike Co., Ala.  
 3 Jeremiah B. Sanders, b. 1869, d. 3 Mar 1871 in Pike Co., Ala.  
 3 Jephtha Powell Sanders, b. 1877, d. 22 Feb 1937 in Columbus, Muskogee Co., Ga., m. Georgia Lou Law (b. 1876, d. 1965) 23 Jul 1896.  
 4 Mattie Pearl Sanders, b. 1897  
 4 James Russell Sanders, b. 1899  
 4 Carrie Shelby Sanders, b. 1901  
 4 William Rueben Sanders, b. 1903, d. 10 Aug 1934 in Columbus, Muskogee Co., Ga.  
 4 Onyx Alta Sanders, b. 1907, m. Edward Coke Pearce (b. 1905) 21 Sep 1929 in Columbus, Muskogee Co., Ga.  
 5 Edward Coke Pearce, b. 1931, d. 1982 in Opelika, Lee Co., Ala.; m. Jean Pollard.  
 5 James Earl Pearce, b. 1932, m. Francis Frazier Dec 1953 in Troup Co., Ga.  
 5 Charles Alvin Pearce, b. 1939, m. Alice Ann Clapp 8 Mar 1959 in West Point, Ga.  
 4 Brady Mitchell Sanders, b. 1910  
 4 Lou Dean Sanders, b. 1913, d. 7 Dec 1980 in Columbus, Muskogee Co., Ga.  
 4 Bryant Reese Sanders, b. 1915, d. 14 Feb 1917 in Columbus, Muskogee Co., Ga.  
 3 John James Sanders  
 3 Hezekiah C. Sanders  
 3 Martha L. Sanders, b. 1875  
 3 William A. Sanders, b. 1873  
 3 Robert M. Sanders, b. 1870  
 3 Joseph Sanders 1877  
 3 Annie Lou Sanders, m. J. Filmore Margon  
 3 James Henry Sanders, b. 1902, m. Ruth Lee Freeman  
 2 Mary E. Sanders, b. 1848, m. D.L. Lindsey  
 2 Susan Mallisa Sanders, b. 1853, d. abt. 1886 in Morris Co., Texas, m. Buford James Reese (b. 1848, d. 1893) 10 Mar 1871 in Pike Co., Ala.  
 3 Mattie Reese, d. 1909, m. Henry Hanes  
 3 James Frank Reese, b. 1872, d. Feb 1959 in Galveston, Texas; m. Mollie Ann Walston.  
 4 Vassie Reese, b. 1906, d. 29 Dec

- 1981 in Temple, Bell Co., Texas; m. Jim Mosely.  
 5 Francis Mosely  
 5 Evelyn Mosely  
 5 Jimmie Mosely, m. Sandy Hale.  
 4 Christine Willie Reese, b. 1906, d. 17 Jan 1987 in Galveston Co., Texas; m. Grover Henderson Henson (b. 1907, d. 1949).  
 5 Dorothy Henson, m. Louis Halunka.  
 5 Willis Reese, b. 1939, m. Joyce E. Griffin 15 Jun 1980 in Falls Co., Texas.  
 5 Carol Ann Henson, m. Dwayne Merideth.  
 5 O.E. Henson  
 (2nd husband of Christine Willie Reese: Walter Jake Mine)  
 (3rd Husband of Christine Willie Reese: W.O. Woodruff)  
 4 Willis Reese, b. 1904  
 3 Charles M. Reese, b. 1874  
 3 John E. Reese, b. 1881  
 3 Della Mae Reese, b. 1879, d. 1919 in Naples, Texas.  
 4 Edward Ernest Moss, b. 1913, d. 26 May 1984 in Indio, Calif. m. Iona Belle Price.  
 4 Elmer Moss 1902, b. 1943, d. 30 Apr 1943 in Los Angeles, Calif.  
 4 Annie Moss, b. 1906, d. 1922 in Naples, Texas.  
 4 Lee Moss, b. 1904, d. 1926 in Naples, Texas.  
 4 Joe Moss, b. 1909, d. 15 Jun 1966 in Alvin, Brazaria Co., Texas.

Jim Sanders, 2235 Los Encinos Rd., Ojai, CA 93023, <jsanders@ojai.net> is looking for information on Silas Sanders. Found him in 1820 Smith Co., Tenn. census and also probate papers, Jefferson County, Ill., 1835. Nothing in between. Wife's name is Franky, don't know her last name.

Marilyn Sanders, 3215 Purdue Place, NE, Albuquerque, NM 87106, <Msrtsanders@aol.com>. I think I may have traced our line back to 1445 in England. Although I cannot prove Thomas Williams Sanders b. 1737 and his son Thomas Sanders b. 1773, are our Thomas and father. (Would like help or opinions on this.) I am intrigued by the middle name "Williams" which Thomas, b. 1737, and John, b. 1847, shared. Thomas was given his mother's maiden name—Mary Williams. The names

### Ed Sanders Is Seeking Information on Mary Exar Sanders, Brown Co., Texas

Ed Sanders, P. O. Box 7219, Surprise, AZ 85374, <sanders32@msn.com> is looking for any information on Mary Exar Sanders, daughter of Willis Perry II and Sarah (Horton) Sanders. Mary was born 25 Dec 1891 in Brown Co., Texas. She married a Burt Standifer 4 Nov 1906 in Sweetwater, Nolan County, Texas. Last heard was they were living in or around Roswell, New Mexico and is said she died during childbirth in 1915-1918. Burt is said to have been in San Angelo, Texas when he died, time frame unknown. Any information on either of them would be much appreciated. ■

repeat uncannily, even their wives' — most being some form of Mary or Ann.

1. Robert, b. 1445, & Agricola, England
  2. Edward, b. 1469, & Joan, England
  3. John, b. 1490, & Anna Whetenhall, England
  4. Edward, b. 1555, & Anna Pandreth, England
  5. Thomas Edward, b. 1595, & Mary, Virginia (immigrant)
  6. Dr. Edward, b. 1625, & Mary Elizabeth Partain Webb, Northumberland Co., Fairfield. (Is this Fairfax today?)
  7. John, b. 1665, & Mary Risle/Ryle, York Co., Va.
  8. John, b. 1690, & Mary Hyde
  9. George, b. 10 May 1712, & Mary Williams, North Farmham, Richmond, Va. (Where is this?)
  10. Thomas Williams Saunders, b. 24 Dec 1737, & Ann Turner Harper, North Farnham Parrish, Richmond Co., Va.
  11. Thomas Sanders, b. 1773, & Mary Polly Parris, Louisa & Russell, Va.
  12. George, b. 1816; Martin, b. 1821; & Elizabeth Mitchell, Tazewell, Va.
  13. John Williams, b. 1847, & Polly Barker, Lake, W.V.
  14. Blackburn (Some believe George C.), b. 1881, & Nancy White, Lake, W.V.
  15. Tracy, b. 1912, & Doris Boelow, W.V. & Pa.
  16. Two sons living - neither bore a son - END OF THE LINE!
- The British burned the records in SW Va., so I don't know if we'll ever know. What do you think? ■

## About This Issue

If you have any good ideas of Sanders or Saunders people who would make a good story, send me the story or a lead for a story. There were still several good articles left over after preparing this issue.

All queries received to date have been used, including (hopefully) all left over from the last issue.

While changing over to a new computer and clearing off files from the old computer, I failed to copy some of the left-over files, but I think I have reconstructed all of them. Let me know if you think I missed something.

I still need more stories of various lengths, biographies from county histories, old letters, obituaries, etc. Keep sending in products of your research, but I need a few shorter items. Also, more good pictures are needed to support stories.

It will be very much appreciated if you send me your queries and other material via e-mail. Send it to me at <dschaefer@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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William M. Otis, Route 2, Box 128, Madill, OK 73446 is looking for Matthew Sanders, m. Amanda Ophelia Otis 1885-1890 in Mississippi or Texas. I found an R. Sanders and Amanda in the 1900 census in Pottowatomie Co., Okla. Could this be my Amanda? ■

## Old Newspaper Yields Interesting Information About Lost Town of Saundersville, Illinois

(This article on Saundersville was submitted by Susan Saunders, 4462 E. 1251 Rd. TrIr. 9, Earlville, IL 60518, <susansauanders@msn.com>.) This a copy of a newspaper article I received from my third cousin, Don Gibbs of Springfield, Ill. There is no date but an article under it states the "marriage" was dissolved 1908. So this is some time after January 1908. I am looking for any info on Saundersville.

"Land is in Northeast part of Springfield and Proposition to come in almost unanimous—No election is required, but requires more work for Commission—Condemnation Suit of City is Called in County Court—information filed against Saloonkeepers.

"Saundersville is now a part of the city of Springfield. An order approving the annexation was acted upon yesterday afternoon by Judge James A. Creighton in the circuit court and the new territory comes under the reign of the local municipal officials. The peti-

tion was presented to the city council several weeks ago, and bore the signatures of a majority of the residents of the territory. The district lies north and east of Sangamon avenue and extends from Eleventh street to the Chicago, Peoria & St. Louis Road. It has a population of 1,000 persons. When the former village of Ridley was annexed, residents of Saundersville practically were alone and they asked admission. The necessary legal steps were taken and papers were made matters of record. Under the law, the territory can be annexed by petition and the voters of Springfield will not be called upon to approve or disapprove the plan.

"The annexation throws additional work on the election commission. The district adjoins the north precinct of the first ward, and it is probable a new precinct will be declared or new boundary lines will be so changed as to allow the voters to cast ballots at the coming spring election." ■

## "Near Misses" In Last Issue of Sanders Siftings For John R. Sanders' Brick Wall

John R. Sanders, 1116 Henry St., Avon, IN 46123, <jsanders1@indy.rr.com>. In the last issue of *Sanders Siftings* it looked like there could be some near misses. You asked for us to send you our brick wall(s), well mine is my g-g-gf and his family and associated families. His son, my g-gf, Meridith Wade Hill Sanders, was born "somewhere" near Raleigh, N.C., 14 Jul 1847 and died in Summitville, Coffee Co., Tenn. 7 Jul 1914. Meridith's father is supposed to be a William Jefferson Moses Sanders and having a wife by the name of Priscilla Spring(s), I know not from where they emanate. Priscilla's parents are from Cape Hatteras Island (both being born there) and then migrating to Wilson Co., Tenn. prior to the 1810 census. I have several close calls in hooking up with the line(s), but it always works out that no one has ever heard of Meredith or Priscilla. I got their relationship(s) mostly from the Lowry side of the family. Meredith married Jennie May Lowry of White Co., Tenn. 16 May 1880. Jennie is the dau of Dr. William Alexander Lowry and Julianne Marie Morgan. ■

## Nancy Sanders Must Have Been Quite A Traveler

From Luida E. Sanders, 2206-A Meadowbrook Ct., Oshkosh, WI 54904-7838, <luidagexecpc.com>. While I was looking for my ancestors I ran across the following lady in the 1850 census of the Town of Howard, Brown Co., Wisconsin. Wouldn't you love to hear her story? Head of household Nancy Sanders, born in England, age 32. Children: Mary, age 7, born in Missouri; Laramie, age 4, born in Texas; and Scott age 3/12, born in Kentucky. Considering the state of transportation in the 1840s and 1850s, I'd say she was a remarkable traveler. Can any of your readers shed any light on this unusual lady? (I don't think she's among my relatives but I'd be happy to claim her if I could.) ■

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