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## Does Your Family Reunion Produce Genealogy Help?

Most of our readers probably go to family reunions, maybe not every year, but most every year. If you are like me, you look forward to meeting old friends, new relatives, and eating lots of good food.

But as someone interested in genealogy you may have experiences like I have had many times. Most of the relatives are not interested in the family history. At least we are disappointed that they are not as interested as we are. And it is exciting to find someone from the part of the family that is represented by empty places in your genealogy program. That person promises to send me that information that is missing from my database.

I have been waiting several years to hear from some of them. They won't answer my letters! Sound familiar?

At a reunion of my wife's family recently, someone printed out wall charts and pieced them together. It drew a lot of attention, especially from some people who were "left off." They got busy and added their information.

A few weeks later I went to my Sanders reunion armed with a great big chart. It was two sheets wide and about ten sheets long. It attracted more people than anything I had done before. I got names and addresses of people with information on missing parts of the family. Nothing new has shown up, but I have hopes.

I would like to hear when you are having reunions, what has worked for you in gathering genealogy information, and what you have planned to gather family history information from disinterested cousins. ■

Don Schaefer, editor

## Durham Sanders, One of the "Sanders of Saloma" in Kentucky, Link to the Past

This story is mostly about the family of Durham Sanders of Kentucky, and it is taken from *The Sanders of Saloma - Some Ancestors and Descendants of Henry Sanders 1776-1844* by Tom E. Sanders, D.M.D., published in 2002. His address is: Dr. Thomas E. Sanders, 1440 Piercy Mill Trace, Louisville, KY 40245-4571 and his phone number is (502) 245-6543 if you would like to order a copy of this book. The hard cover book is 190 pages and the price is \$29.95.

[Editor's note: I have omitted or changed the numbers that Dr. Sanders used to identify people because in the context of this excerpt, it would be confusing. Some of information about the ancestors of Durham Sanders is summarized. If you need more detail, contact the author or — buy the book.]

### Henry Sanders, Jr.

Although the story starts with much earlier ancestors, I'll begin with Henry Sanders, Jr. After purchasing 150 acres from Henry Sanders (Sr.) on 15 August, 1801, Henry (Jr.) and Elizabeth (Durham) began their life together at Saloma {Green County, Kentucky}. He secured a tavern license (as had Thomas and Henry Sr. previously) with Samuel Durham (his father-in-law) as his security.

Saloma was on the old National road from Lexington, Kentucky to Nashville, Tennessee turnpike winding through Maldrough Hill in what is now Taylor and Marion County. Toll gates along the road barred the way of stage coaches until they paid toll.

Henry Sanders' farm was a stage stop with tollgate. Here horses were changed and fed while passengers had dinner.

Henry Sanders built, with slave labor, a fine brick tavern, known later as "The Old Sanders Tavern." The bricks for the tavern were burned on Henry's place and ash floors were sawed by hand with an old-time whipsaw. This famous tavern stood for over one hundred years. Stories are told of the noted men and women who stopped at the Tavern—statesmen—businessmen—students en route to Centre College at Danville. Andrew Jackson was entertained at Sanders Tavern while U.S. President, and no

doubt enjoyed "juleps" with whiskey distilled by Henry Sanders on his plantation.

As just indicated, Henry Sanders prospered at his Saloma home. He continued to buy land there. Numerous Green County deeds between 1810-1838 show that he purchased an additional 800+ acres of surrounding land.

He was Sheriff of Green County in 1820. Being a strong Baptist, Henry Sanders, on

October 19, 1839, donated land to the congregation of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church on which their church buildings are located today. The first building was of logs and was burned during the Civil War as a result of a raid by General John Hunt Morgan of the Confederate Army.

Although its official beginning was in 1839, the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church was an active operating and growing church as early as 1837, as a branch of the Good Hope Baptist Church.

The early church rolls carried the names of early settlers of Taylor and adjoining counties, such as Sanders, White, Durham, Miskel, Crouch,

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Durham Sanders

## Annette Links the Ancient MacDonald Clan Of Scotland With the Early Sanders

The following article connecting the MacDonalds with the Sanders was done by Annette Shelton, 207 Wheeler Rd., Monroe, LA 71203, <Mashelton@jam.rr.com>. Annette's main sources were 1) "McDonald, Donald Clan and Related Septs" an on-line article found at <[http://www.yourscottishname.com/donald\\_clan.htm](http://www.yourscottishname.com/donald_clan.htm)>[http://www.yourscottishname.com/donald\\_clan.htm](http://www.yourscottishname.com/donald_clan.htm)>, and 2) another page from this same site devoted to the timeline of Scottish Rulers.

In by-gone days, the Western Isles of Scotland were ruled by the powerful MacDonald clan. In fact, Clan Donald is one of the oldest, and largest of all the Highland Clans whose history bears out its fame. It is of Celtic heritage, and goes back to, and probably beyond, the 6th Century AD to the great clans in what today is Ireland, Clan Conn and Clan Cholla. Clan Donald derived its general name from Donald, the grandson of Somerled, the historical founder of the Family of the Isles. From this the name MacDonald, or son of Donald; Mac, or the Gaelic Mhic meaning 'son'. Other forms of writing this name, such as MacDonnell, McDonnell, McDonell, began when Aeneas MacDonald of the Glengarry branch of the clan was raised to Peerage, that is, a member of one of the five ranks of British nobility. Somerled, who ruled in the 13th century, was half Gaelic and half Norse Scottish King. It is from him that the clans MacDonald and McDougall were born. Eventually, Somerled invaded the Isle of Man defeating the Norseman Godfred, his wife's brother, and came to possess the entire Kingdom of Man and the Isles.

There are some 360 septs (branches) of the MacDonald clan, including Sander, Sanders, Sanderson, Saunders. A brief look at the meaning of the name Sanders will show it to be an abbreviation of Alexander, used from as early as Teutonic times as a convenient abbreviation of the Macedonian Conquerors name (Aleksander). In England, Sanders is often used as a baptismal name meaning "son of Alexander;" the ending "s" indicating "son of" or "belonging to." Predating the Norman Invasion, by at least one generation, the Fife of Watkin de Sandersted, a Saxon Baron during the reign of Edward the Confessor (1042-1066) was mentioned in the Domesday Book as being located at Charlwood in County Surrey. His successor to the Barony was Stephen Sanders.

The Sanders family still owns Charlwood, and are in all probability his descendants.

Returning to our Scottish heritage, we pick up in 1250 with Angus Mor, son of Donald who was the first of his family to acknowledge himself as a subject of the Kings of Scotland. The name Alexander continued to be passed down through the ranks from 1292 onward. In 1425, Alexander, son of Donald, 3rd Lord of the Isles, was recognized as 11th Earl of Ross (heir to his mother) after 1438. It was during his time that Clan Donalds ventured to increase their power through a treaty with Edward IV of England. This brought them into increasing conflict with the Scottish Crown. After being arrested with some forty other Highland Chiefs by James I, and later released, he marched with a force of 10,000 men to Inverness to burn the fort and all it encompassed. Alexander had three sons; John 4th Lord of the Isles, Celestine of Lochalsh, in favor of whose descendant Angus MacDonnell of Glengarry the Chiefship was restored, with the title Lord Macdonnell and Aros, 1660 to "heirsmale of his body," but finally lapsed in 1680. John, eldest son of Alexander, 4th and last Lord of the Isles, 12th Earl of Ross, was forced to forfeit his title because of his rebellion in 1462. It was restored on promise of good behavior in 1476, but was finally lost in 1493. At this time he generously bestowed vast lands on his vassals, the MacLeans, MacNeills, and MacLeods.

This is only a very brief history illustrating how the Sanders surname (short for Alexander) came to be part of the ancient and powerful MacDonald clan of royalty. For more on this fascinating subject, visit your public library's genealogy room, or search the internet for any key word in this article (Somerled, Clan Donald, MacDonnell of Glengarry, etc.), or join the Sanders DNA project to see if you are carrying Somerled's genes, or the McDonald DNA Project which accepts members with the Sanders surname. Sanders genealogy has never been more exciting!! ■

Editor's note: Please review your last query and either update it to reflect new information, or ask that a previous one be rerun. If you haven't sent in a query, *do it now!* ■

## Durham Sanders, Kentucky

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Brockman, Parrott, Wright, Farmer, Mardis, Short, Jarboe, Deener, Richerson, Harding, Miller, Bottoms, Tandy, Shipp, Collins, Colvin, Wise, Patterson, Sullivan, Shofner, Dye, Maupin, Maddra, Thurman, Craig, Raffety, Cook, Scott, Hubbard, Newcomb, Feather, and Warner.

Regarding Gen. Morgan's burning of the church—as the traditional story goes, a certain member of the Pleasant Hill Church was apprehended by Morgan's men in 1863 and asked as to directions, Union troops, and etc. and failing to satisfy his captors as to the veracity was locked and barricaded in the church and the building was fired. The old man escaped by dint of a hard task of unbiding his tied hands and feet, and lived to tell the story. Yet, the church was destroyed, handicapping the congregation for several years.

In addition to his tavern home of some 30+ rooms, Henry built homes for several of his children with his slaves making the bricks and doing the labor. At his death in 1844, he owned some 30 slaves. Henry Sanders died April 27, 1844.

### Children of Henry and Elizabeth Durham Sanders

Henry Sanders of Saloma, son of William, and grandson of James Sanders, had 12 children by his wife Elizabeth Durham—who outlived him by 20 years, dying February 25, 1864. The children were:

1. Durham Sanders, whose line is followed here, born September 2, 1800 at Saloma, and died there January 7, 1873. Durham married March 5, 1827 to Lucy Emily Smith, daughter of John Resin Smith and Lucy Chewning Smith.

2. Nancy Sanders, the second or possibly the first, child of Henry and Elizabeth, was born about 1802 at Saloma and died before 1844 so was not named in her father's will. She married 28 July 1819 in Green County to Henry Walls with her brother Durham a witness and her father giving his consent (page 57, Green County Mgs.). They had four children.

3. James Madison Sanders, son of Henry and Elizabeth, born 12 April 1804 Saloma, died 1 April 1858, Taylor County, and buried in Henry Sanders' Cemetery. Married 15 April 1828, Green

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Durham Sanders homeplace of Saloma

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County, to Mary Ann Griffin, born December 27, 1804, died 6 June 1882, Taylor County, and buried in Henry Sanders' Cemetery. She was daughter of Sherwood and Mary Griffin. They had six children.

4. Walker Sanders, son of Henry and Elizabeth Durham Sanders was born about 1805 at Saloma. He married Nancy Hash 1 August 1831, Green County. She was born in 1811. They had eight children.

5. Samuel Sanders, son of Henry and Elizabeth Sanders, was born at Saloma about 1807 and died after 1850 and before 1854. He married 16 April 1833 Margaret Howe, born 1813, daughter of Reverend John and Margaret (Wallace) Howe, Presbyterian minister. In the 1840's, before Taylor was taken from Green County in 1848, Margaret Howe Sanders filed for divorce from Samuel, charging him with intemperance and cruelty of long standing toward her and her children. She died by 1854, leaving six children.

6. Louisa Sanders, born about 1809 at Saloma. Married 29 October 1829 in Green County to Lloyd B. Thurman, son of John and Deborah Thurman. He died in Green County 1861. There are no known children but they adopted two—Julia Ann Sanders, daughter of Samuel and Margaret (Howe) Sanders, and Elizabeth L. Carter.

7. Mariah Sanders, daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Sanders, was born about 1811 at Saloma. She married Whitfield Smith 15 January 1829 with Henry a witness. He was son of John Rezin Smith and brother of Lucy Emily Smith, who

had married Durham Sanders (Mariah's brother).

8. Mary Elizabeth (Betty) Sanders, daughter of Henry and Elizabeth, was born 14 April 1814 at Saloma, and died 6 May 1889. She married Isaac Claiborn Graves 13 May 1830, Henry giving his consent. Isaac was born 22 February 1809,

Green County, and died 4 March 1883, son of Francis and Drucilla (Cowherd) Graves. Mary Elizabeth and Isaac had 10 children.

9. Henry Sanders (Jr.) was born at Saloma about 1815 and died approximately 1852. He married Demarjus Heistan March 8, 1834 in Green County. She was born about 1817, daughter of J. Heistan. She married secondly to William M. Bright 9 March 1854 in Taylor County at the home of James M. Sanders, brother of her first husband, Henry Sanders Jr. Henry and Demarjus had five children.

10. Caroline Sanders, daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Sanders, was born about 1816 at Saloma. She married Dr. John Ben Hamilton 13 May 1835 in Green County, with consent of Henry. Dr. Hamilton, born 1801, had first married Nancy Campbell who died in 1830. He practiced in Green and Marion Counties until 1840 when the family moved to Missouri (Gallatin) where he died in 1852. Dr. John Ben Hamilton and Caroline Sanders had five children.

11. Robert Preston Sanders, son of Henry, was born at Saloma about 1819. He married Mahulda Willett, daughter of Griffith and Rhoda Stiles Willett of Nelson County. Mahulda was born 15 August 1827 and died 16 March 1857 and is buried in Hickory Cemetery in Taylor County. Robert Preston was a merchant in Taylor County and died there 20 March 1859. They had a son and a daughter.

12. John Sanders, last born of Henry and Elizabeth Sanders was born in 1822 at Saloma. He never married and lived at the Saloma home with his parents and died after 1880.

### Durham Sanders

Attention is now returned to Durham Sanders, the firstborn son of Henry and Elizabeth (Durham) Sanders, whose line is followed in this genealogy. Durham was born 2 September 1800 at Saloma. He died 17 January 1873 and is buried in Durham Sanders Cemetery in Taylor County. Durham married 5 March 1827 in Green County to Emily Lucy Smith, born 17 April 1810 in Virginia, and died 25 March 1891 in Taylor County. She was the daughter of John Resin Smith and Lucy Chewning.

After his marriage, Durham built a fine home in the Saloma community constructed by slaves owned by his father, Henry Sanders. It stands today in good repair and is owned by a descendant of Durham, John Sanders.

When Taylor County was formed from Green County in 1848, Durham was a Justice of the Peace (i.e., magistrate), one of nine appointed by the Governor of Kentucky to conduct the County's business. He was later appointed Sheriff of Taylor County by the Governor in 1849. His vacancy as a magistrate was filled by his brother-in-law, Samuel M. Durham.

Durham Sanders was active all his life as a farmer, merchant, and politician. He was an active Republican and Baptist. His eleven children were all born at the family farm at Saloma.

### Children of Durham and Lucy Sanders

1. Eliza Belle (Elvisey) Sanders, born 9 April 1828 at Saloma, died 7 September 1903 at Louisville, Ky. She married 14 May 1845 to Dr. Joseph W. Putnam, grandson of Nathan Putnam of Sudbury, Massachusetts and Dorothy Whitney. Nathan was born in 1749, married in 1774, and died of cholera at Lexington, Ky. 26 June 1833.

The original Nathan Putnam and wife Dorothy had nine children, one of whom was Joseph Whitney Putnam, born 10 August 1790, married Susan Hull in 1817. Dr. Joseph Putnam, a son of Joseph and Susan, and husband of Eliza Belle Sanders, was born Fayette County, Ky. and died in 1873 in Indiana. Their children:

a. Charles F. Putnam of Leesburg, Ga.

b. Nathan H. Putnam, born about 1850 in Taylor County. Married Nannie E. Spalding in Marion County 14 November 1875. She was born 1854 in Taylor County. Nathan was a merchant in Lebanon, Ky. Their son was

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Charles T. Putnam, born 30 November 1893.  
c. Belle Putnam (Sissie), married Captain David Jackson of New Orleans.

d. Forest Lee Putnam made his will in Louisville, Ky. in December 1934, in which he left everything to his wife Lettie Reed Putnam. He died 15 January in Louisville. Their son was William S. Putnam, Marion County, Ky. Vital Statistics list William's birth 14 August 1893 with parents F. W. Putnam and Lettie Shackelford.

2. Dr. James Madison Sanders, son of Durham, born 22 February 1830 at Saloma, and died 19 March 1909 at his home near Newark (Independence County), Arkansas. His medical career began after a four year preceptorship at Louisville. He practiced in Lexington and completed a course at the Kentucky School of Medicine, 1858-1859.

In the spring of 1859, Dr. Sanders came to Arkansas by steamboat, landing at Jacksonport and settling later, permanently, in Independence County. His practice extended through several counties, traveling by horseback.

In 1891, he was elected to the state legislature as Representative of Independence County. He retired in 1900.

Dr. James M. Sanders was married three times, first to Eloise Caldwell Walls at Shakertown, Ky. in 1848. She was born 9 July 1824 and died after leaving a son:

a. Warfield Caldwell Sanders, born 29 January 1853.

James Madison Sanders married secondly after arriving in Arkansas to Mary LeNeeve of Batesville, Arkansas. She died at the birth of twins and a few hours later, the twins also died. In 1866, James Madison married Elizabeth A. Grooms of Memphis with no issue.

3. Caroline Virginia Sanders, daughter of Durham and Lucy Sanders, was born 23 October 1831 at Saloma, and died 2 October 1898 in Arkansas. She married Dr. Alfred Williamson 23 May 1848 in Green County. They had ten children:

- a. Viola Williamson
- b. Emma Williamson
- c. Hamlin Williamson, who married Elizabeth Kinman
- d. Robert Williamson
- e. Dee Williamson
- f. James Williamson
- g. Virginia Williamson, who first married Magness without issue, and second married

### Siftings Back Issues Available

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

Dr. V. L. Pascoe, having six children: Van Pascoe; Veryl Pascoe; V. L. Pascoe Jr.; John Pascoe; Velma Pascoe; and Byron Pascoe, who married Mildred Adams.

h. Lucy Magdalene Williamson, who married R. M. Crow, without issue.

i. Clifford Williamson

j. Emily Williamson

4. John Henry ("Jack") Sanders, son of Durham and Lucy, was born at Saloma 8 November 1833, died 23 March 1877, Taylor County. He married Margaret Hotchkiss, daughter of Benoni Hotchkiss and Jane Campbell, 30 November 1854. They had no children.

John Henry was a merchant and bookkeeper in Taylor County before dying in 1877. His widow, Margaret, married 5 September 1878 in Taylor County to Daniel B. Moore without issue.

5. Lucy Elizabeth Sanders (called Betty), born 17 November 1835, died 24 September 1874. Married Edward Lloyd Green (born 1830) 1 October 1855 in Taylor County. Their children:

- a. Thomas Edward Green, born 1856
- b. Mary Ella Green, born 1858, married \_\_\_ Redmon.
- c. Virginia Green, born 1860
- d. Margaret Green
- e. James Green
- f. Emma Green

6. Anna Marie Sanders, born 10 August 1837, married 6 December 1858 to Joseph M. Wade, a Taylor County farmer. They had six children:

- a. Emma Lou Wade, married \_\_\_ Ken.
- b. Richard Wade
- c. Alfred Wade
- d. George Wade
- e. Joseph Wade, Jr.
- f. Margaret Wade, married McCarlin.

7. Martha Bates Sanders ("Pat Esther"), born 27 August 1839 at Saloma, died 13 April 1873. Married Dr. Daniel Estes. Their issue:

a. Thomas Estes, born 1866

b. James Estes

c. Lee Estes

d. Christopher Estes

e. Anna Estes

f. Joseph Estes

g. John Estes

h. Lula Estes, married \_\_\_ Wilkerson, with issue: Paul Wilkerson

8. Emily P. Sanders ("Dutch"), born 11 November 1841 at Saloma, died 4 October 1886. Married John Barker, born 12 August 1841. They had seven children:

a. William Barker, born 25 January 1869.

b. Margaret Emma Barker, twin, born 20 October 1871.

c. Earl Irvin Barker, twin, born 20 October 1871.

d. Lois Barker, born 7 May 1875, married \_\_\_ Peterson.

e. Henry Durham Barker, born 9 February 1879.

f. Anne Mary Barker, born 20 June 1881.

g. Ada Barker, born 14 June 1883.

9. Nancy Caldwell Sanders ("Nanny"), born 2 September 1843, died 24 March 1939. Married John W. Walls 23 December 1873 and lived at Lebanon, Ky. Their issue:

a. John Alfred Walls, born 6 September 1875 and was killed in an accident at Dix Dam.

b. Mary Margaret Walls, born 19 January 1878. Married first Stanley Anderson and secondly C.E. Platter.

c. Florence Walls, born 3 March 1880, died 20 November 1887.

d. William Henry Walls, born 1 April 1882, married Alice Boone of Springfield, Ky.

10. Richard Durham ("Bud") Sanders, born 29 March 1846 at Saloma, died 1931 in Missouri. He served as Sheriff, became a fruit grower, and later moved to Missouri. He first married Eunice Graves, with issue:

a. Maybelle Sanders, born 1868, married M.C.B. Coleman 15 October 1889.

b. Anne Sanders, born 1871.

c. Pearl Sanders

d. Rose Sanders, born 1874, married Bruce Chandler February 7, 1894 and lived in Anson, Missouri. Their issue: Richard Chandler, whose children were: Elizabeth Chandler, who married Fritz Schwaiser; and Rosalee Chandler

e. Eli Sanders, born 1876.

f. Ella Virginia Sanders, born 1878.

g. Hallie Sanders (infant), born in Kansas 20 May 1884, died 29 August 1884.

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## Alvan Sanders, Gold Miner and Wanderer, Dead at Age 96

[Editor's note: this was found in one of my very old files without any indication of what newspaper carried this obituary. This came from a third party who must have found it in the Walter Sanders files in the library in Litchfield, Illinois.]

October 19, 1916

Alvan Sanders 96 years 9 months and 14 days had lived for the last five years at St. Francis Hospital and the history of whose life if written would read like a book of adventure passed away at the hospital here at 8:20 this morning.

Mr. Sanders was born Christmas Day 1819 in Kentucky his parents being Mr. and Mrs. John Sanders. The family emi-

grated to Illinois when this country was first being settled and in 1841. Alvan Sanders was united in marriage with Miss Chloe Hill. To this union were born the following children-- Mrs. Mary Cress, who has been dead several years--Lafayette Sanders of Fillmore-- Henry Sanders of Nebraska--Mrs. Lavidia Gamble of Seattle, Wash., Mrs. Siller Follis of Litchfield and Mrs. Melissa Simpson of Oklahoma.

In 1856 there occurred domestic trouble and Mr. Sanders left for the west for a period of 45 years. No word was heard from him and as time passed it was supposed that death had come to him in the

land where he had gone. Mrs. Sanders was united in marriage with a Mr. Simpson and both have since passed away.

During the long period that Mr. Sanders was lost to the knowledge of his (several words I can't read) He spent years in a gold mine in California, wandered south over into New Mexico, explored Mexico and lived there and learned the language. His wanderings were confined to North America, United States, South America from coast to coast and the adventure with which he met if set down on paper his work would rival the most fanciful stories to modern fiction. During this time he was connected in important position with many large Western Firms, became interested himself in several large mineral deals and learned to speak with ease and fluently, different languages.

Some fourteen years ago he decided to return to Montgomery County residing most of the time with his son Laife of Fillmore. Five years ago he went to the St. Francis Hospital where he lived continually ever since. A little over a week ago the feebleness of old age began making itself felt and the end this morning was not unexpected.

Mr. Sanders failed to make the century mark, which for years had been his cherished ambition. Besides the children already mentioned, the deceased is survived by brothers Robert Sanders of Pana, Illinois and two sisters Mrs. Jane Brown of Pana, Mrs. Lavidia Johnson of California and many grandchildren and over a hundred other relatives. Funeral will be held in Fillmore tomorrow. ■

Lynna Kay Shuffield, P. O. Box 16604, Houston, TX 77222, <lksfriday@sbc-global.net> is seeking information on the parents of Lucy Saunders (b. abt 1783) married (abt 1804) Rev. Stephen Farley. I think she might be the daughter of Lucy Moody (b. 1756) who married Thomas Saunders. Lucy Saunders and Rev. Farley have ten children including Harriet Farley, first woman editor of a women's magazine in the history of the United States and Massillon Farley, Harvard - class of 1831 and 1st Chief Justice of Milam County, Texas, a veteran of the Texas War of Independence and personal friend of Gen. Sam Houston. ■

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Richard Durham Sanders married secondly Sarah Samuels.

11. Christopher Columbus Sanders, son of Durham and Lucy Sanders, was born at Saloma 3 October 1848 and died 28 May 1908 in Taylor County. He married Elizabeth Allen 14 January 1875 in Taylor County. She was born 8 December 1850 and died 20 February 1936. Chris's occupation was a farmer. They had seven children:

a. Betty Green Sanders, born 1876, married August 7, 1900 to Harry A. Little, with issue: Florence Little, married Fred Jackson; and Margaret Little, who married Bert Furguson, with issue: Emma and Jane.

b. John Henry Sanders, born Oct. 4, 1877, married Nannie E. Collins August 24, 1899, having issue: Hugh, 1904-1979 and a daughter, 1901-1968.

c. William Durham Sanders, born Oct. 25, 1882, died June 19, 1968. Married Dilda Anderson and lived at Park American Hotel, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

d. Christopher R. Sanders Jr., born Dec. 8, 1887, died March 10, 1930. Married Maggie E. Drum 18 December 1907, Taylor County. Their issue: William C. Sanders, born May 24, 1914.

e. Lucy Eliz. Sanders, born 6 July 1890, died 20 January 1915, buried at Durham Sanders Cemetery. She married 4 January 1908 in Taylor County to Arthur C. Feathers, having issue: Irene Feathers; Marguerette Feathers; and Ruth Feathers

f. Louella Eliz. Sanders, born 20 March 1880, died 21 November 1881 (age 1 1/2), buried Durham Sanders Cemetery

g. Charles Hardin Sanders, married Violet Cox, 8 July 1913, having issue: Ruby Lee Sanders, born 20 February 1915, married Edgar Skaggs; Charles Durham Sanders,

born 17 March 1921, died 23 June 1996 (married Mary Dudgeon with issue--Sue Ann Sanders born 6 May 1947, married Kenneth Carter and John Sanders born 15 May 1951 married Karen Cox, daughter of Roy and Nettie Cox); Durham Sanders, born 17 March 1921; and Henry Austin Sanders born 28 Oct. 1922, died 28 Oct. 1965; married Mildred Calvin

Note: The above John and Karen Sanders own (2001) and reside in the original Historic Durham Sanders home.

This information on the Christopher Columbus Sanders family was given the compiler by Karen Sanders.

12. George Alfred Sanders, son of Durham and Lucy Sanders, was born 9 September 1850 at Saloma, and died 23 November 1904 in Arkansas. He married Cora Dye and they lived in Arkansas. Their issue:

a. Emma G. Sanders, who married Fred M. Walker, with issue: Christabelle Walker; Eleader Walker (Koletta?), who married Lewis (?), having a daughter: Elizabeth Lewis (?)

b. James M. Sanders, died an infant.

c. Emma Sanders, died an infant.

d. Ella Sanders, who married M.E.C. Ellis of Arkansas, having a son: John S. Ellis.

e. James B. Sanders, died an infant.

f. Alfred M. Sanders, married Katherine Foster.

g. Pearl G. Sanders, married Willie Hampton, having three children.

13. Harley Robert Sanders .

[The history that follows in the book, *The Sanders of Saloma*, covers quite a bit about the descendants of Harley Robert Sanders and includes many photos. Harley Sanders is the grandfather of the book's author, Dr. Tom E. Sanders.] ■

## ASSORTED QUERIES . . .

From Robert R. Roten, 2850 Oak Creek Drive, Paris, TX 75462-2852, <rrr@cox-internet.com>. I am still in search for the father and mother of Drummond Putnan Sanders. I may have found a possible connection, but it is a little confusing to say that least. Family Tree Maker (FTM) has a connection for Drummond Sanders as follows:

William G/e Sanders and Mattie Aj/Mandy, parents of:

1. Dock Sanders, b. 1849-1864
2. Maggie Sanders, b. 1849-1864
3. Mary Jane Sanders, b. 1849-1864
4. Lina Sanders, b. 1849-1864
5. Christopher Sanders, b. 1856, NC
6. William James Sanders, b. May 20, 1866, Crenshaw Co., Ala., d. Jan. 20, 1918

William G/e Sanders and Sarah Unknown, parents of:

7. Drummond Sanders, b. 1836-1864
8. Unknown Sanders, b. 1836-1864
9. Unknown Sanders, b. 1836-1864

The FTM source states that William G/e Sanders was killed in the Civil War. An 1860 census from Loundes Co., Ala. shows a Wilie G Sanders/A.J. Sanders with the following children:

1. C.B. age 15, M
2. D.P. age 12, M
3. M.F. age 10, F
4. C.C. age 3, M
5. L.D. age 2, F
6. M.L. age 9/12 ?

This seems to be the proper family for Drummond Putnan, but I am not sure. Does anyone have a connection to this family who could offer help? I know that Drummond had one full brother, by the name of Richard and two full sisters by the names of Mary Francis and Sally.

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June R. Poole 5229 Eden Roc Drive, Marrero, LA 70072 <JuneRP56@aol.com> is searching for info for John Sanders born 1790 and died after 1850 in Mississippi or Louisiana. He has wife of Mary born 1800 and died after 1850. They had the following children: Frank Sanders, b. abt 1825; Wm. Sanders, b. 1829, and died after 1860 in Calcasieu Parish, La. (Wm. Sanders was born in La. or Miss. Wm. was husband of Sarah Elaine Coward, daughter of Richard

Addison Coward. She died about 1830); Thomas Sanders, b. abt 1832; James Sanders, b. abt 1834; Joseph Sanders, b. abt 1838; Samuel David Sanders, b. abt 1840; and Benjamin Sanders, b. abt 1842. I believe John probably migrated from the Carolinas perhaps with the Cowards or Hendersons. Any info appreciated.

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Joy Durrett, 814 Grant Avenue, Medford, OR 97501-3406, <jmdurrett@charter.net>. I am looking for the parents of Abner Sanders born abt 1810 in Virginia, died aft 1841 in Osage County, Missouri married on 7 Aug 1828 in Franklin County, Pa. Polly Gilbert born abt 1810 Virginia. Abner Sanders and Polly Gilbert's children are:

William Harrison Sanders, b. 15 May 1831 in Virginia or Missouri?, died on 16 Mar 1881 Texas, buried at Lyons Cemetery in Dallas Co., Texas, married on the 19 Feb 1852 in Osage Co., Mo. Elizabeth Ann Quick.

Jessie J. Sanders, b. abt 1833, married on 31 May 1855 in Osage Co., Mo. Sarah (Sally Ann) Quick.

Abner J. Sanders, b. abt 1838 married Jane (unknown)

Mary A. Sanders, b. abt 1839 in Osage Co., Mo., married on 21 Apr 1858 in Osage Co., Mo. Carl Henry Hubler

Any information on who Abner's parents are would be appreciated.

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Sandy Freeman, 122 Spruce Drive, Woodward, OK 73801-5932, <freeman7291@sbcglobal.net>. Looking for any information on William T. Sanders' family. Death certificate says his mother was Mary Martin, father Thomas Sanders. William was born in Missouri 8 Apr 1872. He died 24 Feb 1935 in Muskogee, Okla. He was married to Martha Susan Crisp from McNairy Co., Tennessee. He had a brother Henry Sanders that was living in Clay County, Kansas at the time of his death. He had two sons and a daughter, the sons were Homer Dewey and William Henry, the daughter "my grandmother" was Lillian May. The first census that he shows up on for sure is 1910 Mcintosh Co., Okla. All of his children were born in Mcintosh Co., Okla. If any one has any

information on this family I would love to have it and share what I have.

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Leigh Sanders, 1821 Dr Jack Rd, Conowingo, MD 21918, <ls44@zoominternet.net>. I am looking for any information that could lead to identifying the parents, siblings or origins of George Sanders (my ancestor) and his brother Humphrey; or in establishing their relationship with Benedict Sanders of Port Tobacco, Charles Co., Maryland or his origins. I have not been able to tie my Sanders line with any other Sanders, in or out of Maryland.

The earliest appearances of Humphrey H. Sanders and his brother George Sanders that I have found are located in records of the First Methodist Episcopal (1st ME) Church of Baltimore (Light Street), Maryland. Humphrey married Urith Simpson (1 Oct 1796) and George married her sister Rachel Simpson (14 Jan 1797). George and Humphrey were carpenters (evidence: rental and purchase contracts). Other likely siblings or close relatives include the following Sanders: Edward S., m. Harriet Williams 3 Apr 1801; James S., m. Mary Mitchell 11 May 1808; and Thomas S., m. Elizabeth Morton 14 Apr 1810—all marriages at 1st ME of Baltimore, Maryland.

George and Humphrey also appear in *The Baltimore Directory* 1799, 1804, and 1817 respectively. Both appear to have been in service in Maryland during the War of 1812. My ancestors George and Rachel had three children: John Wesley (my ancestor) (b. 12 Apr 1804--d. 30 Jun 1891), Frances Ann and Elizabeth. Both George and his wife Rachel were deceased before Apr 1820 when court records (Smith vs Smith and Sanders, Baltimore Co. Court) show the "Infants" in law represented in a court case to seeking to sell property held by George Sanders for funds. John Wesley S. marries Anna Maria Bucknall on 27 Aug, 1829. The names John W. Sanders, Elizabeth Ann Sanders and Ann Maria Sanders next appear in 1846 in a Chancery Court case over inheritance of the Estate of Benedict J. and Sarah Sanders of Port Tobacco, Charles Co., Md.

NOTE: These are not the George W Sanders of Frederick Co., Md. or the Humphrey Sanders of Mass., both contemporary to my Sanders.

### June is Looking for Parents of William Sanders, Born About 1829 in Miss. or La.

From June R. Poole 5229 Eden Roc Drive, Marrero, LA 70072 <JuneRP56@aol.com>. I'm searching for info about the parents of Wm. Sanders born about 1829 in Mississippi or Louisiana; husband of Sarah Elaine Coward born about 1829 (Richard Addison Coward and Eleanor Henderson parents). Wm. Sanders is descended from John Sanders born 1790 and Mary. William Sanders and Sarah Elaine Coward Sanders disappear from the census records by 1870. They are listed in the 1860 census for La. They had a son Carroll Murdock Sanders born 1862 died 1934, buried at Sugartown Baptist Cemetery, Sugartown, La. husband of Judith Alice Cagle. Carroll and siblings Joseph and Mary (married a Shoemaker) were living in the household of Wm. Perkins and Minerva Coward Perkins at the time of the 1870 La. census. ■

Retha Rustin, Route 1, Box 340, Brookport, IL 62910-9615, <rflo@shawneelink.net> is seeking information on a family that lived in Hot Springs or Little Rock, Ark. around 1940. Kate Keith married first John Wesley Sanders. Their children were Elic, Elmer, Lessie, and Johnie. She married 2nd Drvie (Druie)? Sanders and their children were J. W. and Jewel.

From Beverly Sanders Potts, 190 S. Oak St., Oregon, WI 35375, <beverly@califex.com>. I'm looking for my Georgia ancestors — the parents or family of Daniel M. Sanders and Elinder Horn, first seen in Wilkinson County in 1850. Daniel's parents could be Samuel and Fanny Sanders or James Sanders, also all in Wilkinson County. Elinder may be the daughter of Britton Horn, seen in Wilkinson County in 1840, living next door to Daniel Sanders.

They had 14 children: Isabel C., b. 1841; Elizabeth "Eliza" Ann, b. 1843; Serepta, b. 1844, m. Burrell Crumley; Samuel B., b. 1845, d. bef 1860; Iverson

L.H., b. 1846, d. 1879, m. Rebecca Myers; Jesse Carroll, b. 1848, d. 1896, m. Celia Barlow, m. Allie Douglas; Eason C., b. 1850; Celia E., b. 1851, m. J.T. Webb; Selitia, b. 1853; William R., b. 1854; John, b. 1856; James L., b. 1858; Alley Jane, b. 1860.

I'm directly related to Iverson Sanders who, with his brother Jesse, moved to Bleckley and Pulaski Counties, GA, living "east of the river" in Hawkinsville on the infamous "Chicken Road" and in Hartford and Cochran. One of these brothers lived in "the old Sanders home," and as the story goes, in 1912 when Bleckley County was created from a portion of Pulaski County, the house was in Bleckley County but the outhouse ended up in Pulaski County.

From Andy Hampton, 2451 Medlock Commons, Decatur, GA 30030, <andyru@bellsouth.net>. I am looking for a Sanders born in Alabama, year unknown. He married a Sarah, born around 1805 in either Kentucky or Tennessee. Sanders dies before 1850 in possibly Stoddard Co, Missouri. Sarah Sanders marries Frederick Shrum in late 1849 or early 1850 and resides in Stoddard Co.

Unknown Sanders and Sarah had the following children:

Eliza, born possibly before 1830  
Rosa Ann, abt 1830, m. Jacob Miller  
Susan Emerline, abt 1832  
Joseph, abt 1833, m. Polly  
Sarah, abt 1836, m. Daniel Shrum  
John, abt 1837, m. Sarah  
Nancy, abt 1840, m. James Easley  
David, abt 1843

These children's birthplaces range in mostly Arkansas or Missouri/Illinois. (The 1850 census states all of the children were born in Mo.; this is not correct.) A cousin doing research said that some of the children were born in Cape Girardeau but doesn't know if it was Cape Girardeau, Mo. or Illinois.

Susan is my ancestor. In the 1850 Stoddard Co., Mo. census she is listed as Susan January. Later that year she gives birth to a son, John January. She also marries George Washington Travelstead in Dec 1850. John January in later censuses is listed as John Travelstead. Any help in identifying my Sanders ancestor would be greatly appreciated. ■



Several years ago I found this historical marker placed by the State Historical Survey Committee of the State of Texas just south of the Arkansas/Texas state line (the Red River) west of Texarkana on State Highway 8. The marker says:

HARVEY C. SANDERS, C.S.A.

"Native of Kentucky, in the Civil War, fought at Shiloh, Chickamauga, and other battles. After being wounded twice, became a guard at the Confederate White House.

"When Richmond fell on April 3, 1865, was placed in escort for the departing president, rode 5 weeks toward Florida where President Jefferson Davis was planning to sail for Mexico to join many other Confederate leaders. (These southerners intended to regroup an army, march north to Texas and continue their fight for states' rights.

"President Davis and his guards were followed by thieves trying to steal the Confederate treasury, the horses and the wagons. The assassination of Abraham Lincoln on April 14 and the offer of a reward of \$100,000 caused many adventurers to hunt for President Davis. Just before dawn on May 10, near Irwinsville, Ga., federals captured him and his party, including 2 Texans, postmaster-general John H. Reagan and presidential aide F.R. Lubbock, a former governor of Texas. Mrs. Davis and children were soon freed, but all the men were imprisoned.

"Sanders was released in a year. Later he came to Texas and lived near this site after 1887—honored for years as the last man of the Davis Bodyguard." ■

## About This Issue

I still need good leads to Sanders or Saunders people that would make good stories. Send me a story or a lead for a story. There are no large or medium length articles left over after preparing this issue.

All queries received to date have been used, I hope. Again, I was short of queries, especially queries from subscribers. Please update your research, state your queries differently, or send me a repeat. Don't give up. Maybe some new eyes will come across your family material. Do you want a query repeated? Send me the issue and page number. I need more queries from subscribers!

I still need more stories of various lengths, biographies from county histories, wills, old letters, obituaries, etc. Keep sending in products of your research, but I need quite a few short 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 <dschaeffe@uark.edu> or <dschaeffe@cox-internet.com>. I no longer have an AOL address. 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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## Texan Millard Sanders Died A Hero in World War II; Fellow Soldier Contacts Sweetheart

June 28, 1945

A story of battlefield heroism and of the death of a man who repaid his nation in full for the twenty-six years of freedom and protection it gave him under the Stars and Stripes, is told by a buddy of Cpl. Millard "Hoss" Sanders of Athens in a letter to the girl the latter had planned to marry.

Never, perhaps, was a more beautiful tribute paid a fighting man than that paid by the buddy, Herman Shugard. The letter was written to Miss Vivian McGregor of Dallas, the soldier's sweetheart.

"I don't suppose you know who I am," Shugard said, writing from France. My name is Herman Shugard, his tank driver. Anyway, just before it happened we both made an agreement to write each other's folks in case anything happened.

"I hope you will pardon the writing. I am in the hospital here and am still a little shaky. I would have written before, but I just couldn't make it.

"It started when we crossed the Rhine. We kept driving all the time, day and night. It happened April 1, Easter Sunday. We pulled in a position around 3 o'clock in the morning. He went out with a bunch of us to try and stop them

[the Germans]. He walked in standing up straight, shooting, so that I could get in close enough to use my Tommy gun and a couple of grenades.

"He went down in a blaze of glory. He saved my life and the lives of many others that day. He loved you truly, Vivian, as I know you loved him. He wouldn't want you to be unhappy. I know that he will be with you always."

Millard was born April 19, 1919, in Murchison, Henderson County, Texas, the son of Aaron Walter Sanders and Mary Jeanetta Gothard and the grandson of Jesse Sanders and Mary Amanda Pickering. His great grandparents were Isaac and Elizabeth Sanders, whose ancestors were from the Randolph/Montgomery County



Corporal Millard Sanders

area of North Carolina. He served overseas for thirty-one months, first in North Africa and Italy, and later in the invasion of Normandy on D-Day. He died April 1, 1945.

The article above is a condensed version of one from the *Athens Weekly Review* (Athens, Texas). Millard is a first cousin of Gary Sanders, P. O. Box 309236, UNT Station, Denton, TX 76203, <gary\_bsanders@hotmail.com>. ■

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Ernest Sanders Stephenson, 1049 Plainview Rd., Florien, LA 71429, <ernie\_sally@bellsouth.net> is interested in the Sanders of Mansfield, Louisiana. My Great-Grandmother Hattie Jane Sanders Stephenson is buried there. I am interested in info on her father, Morgan Sanders. Hattie Jane Sanders married my Great-Grandfather John Wesley Stephenson in 1870 in Mansfield La. ■



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