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A Little About Colonel Harland Sanders of Kentucky Fried Chicken Fame

The following information on Colonel Harland Sanders was sent in by Donna Foley. It is taken from pages 796-797 of *The Kentucky Encyclopedia* published by the University of Kentucky Press.

HARLAND DAVID SANDERS, the creator of the Kentucky Fried Chicken franchise, was born to Wilbert and Margaret Ann (DunLevy) Sanders in Henryville, Indiana, on September 9, 1890. When he was six years old, his father died; his mother later married William Broaddus. Sanders quit school after the sixth grade and went to work at a variety of jobs: farm hand, streetcar conductor, steamboat ferry operator, railroad fireman, secretary, insurance salesman, tire salesman, and furniture store owner.

In 1930 Sanders moved to Corbin, Kentucky, where he opened a service station. Behind the station, he operated a lunchroom that seated six around the single table. The business expanded rapidly, and by 1937 Sanders' Cafe seated 142 customers, who made fried chicken the most popular item on the menu. Sanders often told of his experimentation with a variety of recipes until he hit upon the unique combination of eleven herbs and spices that "stand on everybody's shelf." He also refined the frying process by using the pressure cooker. After a fire destroyed the cafe in 1939, Sanders rebuilt the business as a restaurant and motel. Business was good until the construction of Interstate 75, which bypassed Corbin.

Sanders auctioned the restaurant and motel, and at the age of sixty-six began to sell franchises based on his fried chicken recipe. The first franchise went to Pete Harman of Salt Lake City. Sanders was a pioneer in the new business of franchising, and initial sales were slow. By 1959, however, more than two hundred Kentucky Fried Chicken outlets in the United States and Canada

sold food under the Colonel Sanders trademark. Sanders was first commissioned a Kentucky Colonel, an honorary title, in 1934 by Gov. Ruby Laffoon (1931-35), and was recommissioned in 1950 by Gov. Lawrence Wetherby (1950-55). After 1950 he



began to look the part, growing a mustache and a goatee and wearing a white suit and a string tie. Sanders, oldest daughter, Margaret, suggested selling fried chicken as a take-home item---an innovation at that time---and the first carry-out Kentucky Fried Chicken was built in Jacksonville, Florida. In 1960 Sanders moved the growing company to Shelbyville, Ky.

On February 18, 1964, Sanders sold his franchising business to John Y. Brown, Jr., Kentucky governor during 1979-83, and Jack Massey for \$7 million. He kept the foreign franchises, however, and rewarded Pete Harman by giving him those in Utah and Montana. Sanders was retained on salary as spokesman for Kentucky Fried Chicken, often appearing in television commercials. Heublein, Inc. of Connecticut bought Kentucky Fried Chicken in 1971 for \$275 million. In 1978 Heublein sold the business to R.J. Reynolds Company, which in turn sold it to Pepsico, Inc. for \$840 million in 1986. Displeased with the operation of the company after 1971, Sanders brought suit against Heublein over the alleged misuse of his image in the sale of products with which he had no connection. In 1975 an unsuccessful libel suit was brought against Sanders after he publicly referred to Kentucky Fried Chicken gravy as "sludge" and claimed it had a "wall paper taste."

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Sanders/Saunders, Which Came First?

I'm surprised that I haven't much heard from readers about their version of how the name Sanders was changed to Saunders or how it was changed from Saunders to Sanders.

We hope to be presenting more on this subject in the upcoming issues that will show Sander or Sanders traveling from what is now Austria to England, then many changing to Saunders, then later having most of them changed back to Sanders in America.

How did this happen? Why?

In a history of my Schäfer's ancestral town in Germany (Ottenstein), I have seen families named Sander listed in more than one place. They were cabinet makers. That is Sanders without the "s."

I looked up "sand" in the German-English dictionary. As a noun, it means the same thing in German as it does in English.

Just about six weeks ago I had an interesting conversation with an Englishman (in Prague, Czech Republic) about the names of Sanders and Saunders in England. I thought that they pronounced them the same. However, he made a distinction. He said "sawn-das" for Sanders and "sewn-das" for Saunders. (That is using Texas/Oklahoma/Arkansas phonetic interpretation!)

Trying to match spelling to pronunciation over the years—from one country to another, the spelling of many names have changed, including Sanders.

How about some expert opinions, guesses, or gut feelings from Sanders/Saunders researchers out there? ■

Don Schaefer, editor

Finding Your Quaker Roots

Sanders/Saunders researchers who have ancestors in the eastern states of Virginia, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, etc. should strongly consider a look at Quaker Church records. There is good evidence that many Sanders and Saunders were Quakers. The following was presented by Cheska Wheatley to the Fidonet Genealogy Conference, 1995. Used by permission.

by Cheska Wheatley

The Society of Friends (Quakers) probably maintained the most detailed records of any church save the Church of England. The body which maintained the vital records of most interest to genealogists is the Monthly Meeting (MM) which served a number of meetings for worship within its jurisdiction. Sometimes a Monthly Meeting served a very wide area, crossing counties and Philadelphia had four or five Monthly Meetings. Like county boundaries, the areas served by a particular MM varied over time. As Quakers moved into a new area such as North Carolina, new MMs were set off from older ones and as people moved on MMs were consolidated or laid down. There was no central repository for these records which were generally maintained by the MM. That would make our search too simple!

Each MM had at least three books. The men's minutes, the women's minutes, and the book of marriages, births and burials. Certificates of removal were recorded and issued in men's and women's minute books. Many of these books have been lost over the years, some remain with MMs that are still functioning, others have been turned over to the Yearly Meeting, and others can be found in the libraries of several Quaker Colleges, e.g., Swarthmore in Penn., and Guilford College in N.C. William Wade Hinshaw abstracted many of the original records and they are contained in six volumes entitled the "of American Quaker Genealogy."

These are available in most genealogy libraries and have recently been reprinted by the Gen. Publ. Co. They are also available in every FHC on the microfiche set which contains the 300 most frequently consulted genealogy reference books. They are also available on microfilm through the FHL and can be purchased from AGLL. There is also a vol-

ume referred to as "Hinshaw VII" which was compiled by Willard Heiss and contains many of the Indiana records.

These cover most of the most popular meetings but by no means all of them. Start with your local FHC. Check the microfiche collection I referred to. If you can find Vol. VII, it has an excellent explanation of what can be found in the Quaker records, explanations of abbreviations commonly found in the abstractions and lists of various meetings. If you can print this off, it is a great reference to keep on hand. Use the FHL catalog, checking under the author "Society of Friends" should provide a list of their microfilmed copies of the original records. Check also the locality catalog under the county you are interested in and then Church records. Here you will usually find any abstractions that have been done for meetings in that area.

Once you find you have one Quaker line, you will soon find you have many Quaker lines since "good" Quakers were required to marry within the Society and would be disowned for marrying a non-member. Another plus in Quaker research is that their migration patterns were very predictable. Families and individuals received permission from the Monthly Meeting and were issued certificates to move to another meeting. When they reached their destination, these certificates were deposited with the new MM. Both the granting and receipt of certificates were recorded in the minutes. Once you connect to a family that were practicing Quakers it is relatively easy to track them from meeting to meeting. Even when the books of a meeting are missing entirely, you will quickly learn where to expect them next and can usually find the family in the general vicinity.

The hardest part is finding a link between those Quakers who left the society and their earlier ancestors who were practicing Quakers. If you find the marriage of the person you are after in the county records this usually means the person was not a practicing Quaker as the Society did not believe in marriage by a justice of the peace and members who did marry outside of meeting would also be disowned. When you can't find a county marriage record, this is a good sign that you may have your

Guilford College Library

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The Friends Historical Collection of Guilford College is the archives of Quaker meetings in North Carolina which contains a great deal of family information. As you may know, the genealogical information in the early records is indexed and abstracted in Vol. I of *The Encyclopedia of American Quaker Genealogy*, by William Wade Hinshaw (Ann Arbor: Edwards Bros., 1936 and reprinted several times by Genealogical Pub. Co. of Baltimore)

Our genealogy research room includes a collection of published genealogies, a card file index, family history files, and other genealogy resources focussing on North Carolina and adjacent areas where Quakers were settled. We also have material for Quakers in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, Tennessee, South Carolina, Georgia, Indiana, and Ohio--published histories and public records.

Our books are in our public access online catalog which may be reached on Internet at Hege@PALS.Guilford.edu. North Carolina Meeting records are on microfilm and may be read here. The genealogy research room is open Tues.-Fri., 9:00 am-12:00 and 2:00-5:00 pm. ■

practicing Quaker! If you still can't find the person you are looking for in the nearby Quaker minutes, then go through the land records and look for clues as to where they came from. Check wills as they will give lots of clues since the Quakers also believed in being financially responsible for their families so wills are probably more common among the Quakers than most other groups.

My Quaker lines have been the most enjoyable to research. Not only are the records great but you will find many cousins on any given BB who readily share information with one another. Afterall, we are a "Friendly" bunch!

Those of you who are on the World-Wide-Web should check out the *The Quaker Corner* -- at <<http://www.innerlight.com/genepool/quakers.htm>> ■

Colonel Sanders

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Sanders contributed money to religious charities, hospitals, medical research, education, the Boy Scouts, Junior Achievement, and the March of Dimes. A highly visible figure, he was immediately recognizable. At the age of eighty-seven, he testified against mandatory retirement before the U.S. House of Representatives Select Subcommittee on Aging.

Sanders was married to Josephine King in 1908; they had three children: Margaret, Harland Jr., and Mildred. They were divorced in 1947. Sanders married Claudia (Leddington) Price in 1949. Sanders died on December 16, 1980, and lay in state at the Capitol rotunda in Frankfort. He was buried in Louisville's Cave Hill Cemetery

See Harland Sanders, *Life as I Have Known It Has Been "Finger-Lickin" Good* (Carol Stream, Ill., 1974); John Ed Pearce, *The Colonel: The Captivating Biography of the Dynamic Founder of a Fast-Food Empire* (Garden City, N.J., 1982).

The Harland Sanders Cafe and Museum is located off I-75, Exit 29, in Corbin, Ky. (Look for the very tall KFC bucket-of-chicken tower). You can dine in the restored restaurant, tour the Colonel's kitchen, and visit a museum that is filled with KFC artifacts. The museum is open from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily.

If anyone out there has connections to Colonel Harland Sanders, I'd like to hear from you. I will publish something about your relation in the next issue. ■

Mary Ferguson Loher, Four Oaks Lane, Bedford, TX 76021-7115 is looking for information about her ancestor, Sarah (Sally) Sanders who married Moses Ferguson about 1830. It is believed that Sarah's father was William Sanders and that she was born in the Spartenberg District of South Carolina about 1810. Sarah and several of her siblings were early settlers in Arkansas about 1830. Her sister Anna married Isiah Dunaway. There were brothers Newt, John, Joel, Dan, and Crutchm. Most of them settled near Austin, Ark. A *Dunaway Family History* by Corinne H. Robinson has been some help in putting some pieces together. Does anyone have links to these families? ■

This Henry Saunders Started in Hogan's Creek, Maryland

From Fredric Z. Saunders, 880 W Moorhead Cir., #36, Boulder, CO 80303-6133. About 1800 there are what appear to be at least five different Saunders lines in Rockingham Co., N.C., that had different origins before Rockingham Co.

My line was HENRY SAUNDERS (b. 1716-26 in Lickfork of Hogan's Creek, Dorchester Co, Md. and associated with Richard Saunders); m. 1st Mary West; m. 2nd Nancy Linzy/Lindsey Children: James; Sarah; Margaret; Mary (b. 176070, d. 1838, Daviess Co., Mo.), m. Noah Stapleford; Nancy; Elizabeth, m. John Horford Taylor); William (b. ca 1771, d. 1846 Davie Co., N.C.) m. Sarah Sheek; Rebecca; John; Henry; and Hugh. (Which children by which wife?)

William and Sarah had these children: James, Susannah, William, Adam, Jacob, Polly, John, Elizabeth, and Jincy. Davie Co. deed record lists Adam in Gordon Co., Ga.

Mary and husband Noah Stapleford lived in Barron Co., Ky. ca 1800. Are other Saunders in Barren County related?

Hugh Saunders sold land in 1810 to

brother William. Where did Hugh go?

There were several lines of Saunders in Rockingham County about 1800 that may or may not be related. Would welcome information to sort them out.

They are:

1. My Henry Saunders above.
2. James Saunders and children of Great Rockhouse Creek.
3. Susannah, widow of John Saunders from York/Halifax counties. She had will in 1807 in Rockingham County.
4. Jordan Saunders in 1790 Charles Co., Md. census. Wrote will in 1804 in Rockingham County. Also on Lickfork of Hogan's Creek.
5. William Saunders of Pittsylvania Co., Va., had daughter Eliza Ann who m. Jonathan Tharp in 1792. Tharp owned land on Hogan's Creek adjacent to above John Horford Taylor.
6. Smith Saunders of Caswell Co., N.C., attended Lickfork Baptist Church in Rockingham County. A Richard Saunders was in earlier records in Caswell Co., N.C. Is he related to Richard associated with Henry in Dorchester Co., Maryland? ■

These Sanders Came From Holland

Dori Van Watermeulon, 12205 North Perry Street #70, Broomfield, CO 80020, [Vanwater@ix.netcom.com]. We have documentation and correspondence with Dutch authorities that verifies the following as accurate for our Sanders lineage:

ARNOLD (OR JOHN ARNOLD) SANDERS, m. Antonia Peters. They had at least one child:

Anton John J. Sanders (b. 183 8 Herwen, Holland; d. 1909 Ghent, Minn.); m. Theodora Sanders Wessels, (b. 1839 Duiven [Groessen or T'Lool, Holland daughter of Petrus (or Peter) Sanders and Anna Van Hunt; they had four children:

Peter Wessels (step-child)
Cathrina Joanna Wessels (step-child)
Bernard Sanders (twin)
Arnold Sanders (twin), b. 1873 T'Loo, Holland; d. 1956 Marshall, Minn.; m. Maria Hendrina Van Uden (b. 1877

Elst, Holland) daughter of Johannes Van Uden and Johanna Hermsen. They had seven children:

Anna Sanders, m. John Tholen
Arnold Sanders, m. Vina Paradis
John Sanders, m. Bert Wambeck
Anthony Sanders (twin), m. Eveivn Reigner
Theodore Henry Sanders (twin), m. Elmira Paradis
Agnes Theodora Sanders, m. William Lord
Peter Sanders, m. Florence Altvorst. ■

From C. Frager, 24 Oak Ave., Shelton, CT 06484, [JFrager@aol.com]. Looking for information on death of my uncle, Arthur Sanders, born 1909 in Mass.; died between March 1953 and 1954 in Orange, N.J. Wife's name was Irene; they had three sons: Kenneth, Raymond, and Robert. ■

Richard Sanders - S.C. To Alabama To Arkansas

Lavonne Sanders Walker, 19505 13th Street, Shawnee, OK 74801. Would like to correspond with anyone searching this line of Sanders:

RICHARD SANDERS was born in Kershaw District, S.C., on 26 Jun 1805. He died at Cedar Creek, Scott County, Ark., on 27 Jul 1873 and is buried at Parks Cemetery, Parks, Ark. He probably married in Pickens, Ala. in 1840-1842 to Mary (Polly) Strickland. Mary was born in N.C. in 1813 and died in Pickens County, Ala. She is the child of Kindred Strickland and Tempy Reaves Strickland. Richard and Mary's son, James Gray Sanders, placed an article in the Scott County Goodspeed's book, in which he states that his mother, Mary, had died while he was away during the Civil War. A Sanders book, to be published later, will have much more information on the Sanders family.

Children of Mary (Polly) Strickland Sanders and Richard Sanders were as follows:

1. Louisa E. "Rebecca" Sanders Thomas, born 1845; married John Thomas.
2. Nancy C. Sanders, born Oct 1847; married Ephram Igo.
3. Mary E. or A. "Mollie & Mamie" Sanders, (we found all of these in records) was born at Olney, Pickens, Ala. in 1848. She died at Cedar Creek, Scott Co., Ark., on 15 May 1897. Her estate was probated in Scott Co. in 1897 and gave us the name of her brothers, sisters, and some nieces and nephews.
4. Richard D. Sanders was born at Olney, Pickens, Ala. in Aug 1850. He died in Scott Co., Ark., on 6 Aug 1877 and is buried at Parks Cemetery.
5. Virginia B. "Jennie" Sanders was born in July 1853. She married Samuel J. Hallman.
6. William K. "Will" Sanders was born on 6 January 1855 at Olney, Pickens County, Ala., and died about 1894 in Scott County, Ark. B. M. "Pony" Sanders said Will was buried at Park Cemetery. He married Mary Jane Austin on 16 Nov 1884 at Parks, Scott Co., Ark.
7. James Gray Sanders was born 19 Feb 1843 and married Sarah E. M. Cowsert. ■

Robert Samuel Sanders Is Earliest Sanders Ancestor of Keith Fisher

From W. Keith Fisher, 4614 Tensweep, New Albany, OH 43054 [wkfisher@infinet.com]

ROBERT SAMUEL SANDERS is our earliest known ancestor to date. He was born in Pennsylvania in 1765. From there he moved with his parents to Culpepper Co., Va., thence to Ohio, where he married Sarah McCormick, the oldest child of John McCormick and Catherine Drennan. They were probably married sometime in 1805 in either Hamilton, Butler, or Preble counties, Ohio. At any rate, their oldest child, John, was born in Ohio. Sarah's parents, the McCormicks, lived for a time in Preble Co., Ohio, before moving to Fayette Co., Ind. in 1809. Apparently the Robert Sanders family followed their McCormick relatives to Fayette Co., Ind., settling there sometime before 1820 (as shown by the 1820 Census for Fayette County). The Sanders remained in Fayette Co. until about 1 Dec 1826, when they moved to Delaware Co., Ind.

Upon arrival at the trading station, established in 1823 by David Connor, who had entered the land now (1924) known as the McCormick farm, just west of the village of Wheeling, Robert found in the person of owner an old comrade, who had been with him in the Indian campaign under General Anthony Wayne. He made a brief stop with his comrade and then rented his farm. Later he entered land adjoining it on the east, where he made his home for a number of years.

He kept the first tavern in the township, which was located on the Government Road. He devoted much time to traffic with the Indians and clearing and cultivation of his land. On 21 Oct 1820 he entered land in section 3, township 22, in Grant Co., Ind. (the original deed from the government still exists). Upon this land he laid out the town of New Cumberland on 16 Sept 1833.

He was one of the earliest settlers in Delaware County. When he came the Indians were still here in large numbers. Game abounded in great variety. Bears, wolves, deer, wild turkeys and many other kinds. He was the father of eleven children, viz.: John, Katharine, William, Mary, Nancy, Millie, James,

Abner, Lavina, Coleman, and Joseph. Of these, only Mrs. Lavina Reasoner is now (1924) living, at the age of 94 yrs.

This heroic soldier, frontiersman and pioneer served for three years under General Anthony Wayne in his arduous Indian campaigns (1793-1795), enduring the hardships, encountering the dangers of this important service. He bore a part in several engagements and scouting expeditions in the vicinity of Ft. Wayne, along the Maumee, St. Mary's, and St. Joseph rivers and in the region about Detroit, Michigan. When he settled here the neighbors were far apart, the nearest settlement being at Muncietown, about 14 miles distant. He lived an exemplary life; he was a useful and honored citizen, respected by all who knew him. He died 31 March 1861. He is buried in the cemetery at Wheeling.

The first marriage in Washington Twp., Delaware County, was in June 1831 when Nancy, daughter of Robert Sanders, was married to Nathaniel McGuire. In 1834, his daughter Amelia was married to Joseph McVicker.

In 1823 David Connor entered a tract of land in Section 15 (of Washington Twp., Del. Co., Ind.), and, in the same year, a man named Broderick came and settled on the land. He was not a pioneer in the true sense of the word, although he was probably the first white man who located permanently within the limits of this township. The extent of his pioneer labors was the clearing of a small space near his cabin, upon which he set out an orchard. His occupation was that of a trader, and with a few articles of merchandise, some notions, and a stock of ammunition and whiskey, he carried on a successful traffic with the Miamis, Delawares and Pottawatomies, who inhabited this neighborhood at that time. For a period of three years, he was the only white resident in the township. Then, the term for which he had engaged the land having expired, he was followed by Robert Sanders, who came from Connersville, Ind. (Fayette Co.), and engaged in the same business, on the same tract of land, after which Mr.

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Broderick removed to another locality.

At a later date, Mr. Sanders became a tiller of the soil, and cleared and improved a farm; but at first his time was devoted chiefly to his traffic with the Indians. He kept the first tavern in the township, on the Government Road, and derived a considerable revenue from this source. He adopted the vocation of farming, and was an industrious member of the community for many years. After the decease of his wife, he went to reside with his children, and died in Grant County about the year 1861.

About the year 1829, William McCormick (Robert Sanders' brother-in-law) purchased the land upon which Mr. Sanders had formerly carried on his trade with the Indians, and it was after this event that the latter entered land in Section 14, where he developed a farm. Mr. McCormick came to occupy his land in 1830 or 1831.

Children of Robert S. Sanders and Sarah McCormick:

1. John, b 1806 Ohio, m Susan Ginn (see below)
2. Katherine, b c1807 ?
3. William, b c1809
4. Mary, b c1810 ?
5. Nancy, b c1811, m 1831 Nathaniel McGuire.
6. Amelia, b c1814, m 1834 Joseph McVicker.
7. Lavina, b c 1815, m Reasoner
8. Joseph, b c1816
9. James, b c1823 Ohio
10. Abner, b c1824
11. Coleman

John Sanders, son of Robert Samuel Sanders and Sarah McCormick, was born in 1806 in Ohio. He married Susan Ginn, daughter of John Ginn and Isabella Gurthery, on 15 December 1831 in Delaware County, Ind. Susan was born in 1809 in Ireland, coming with her parents to the United States in 1818. John Sanders died from an attack of measles at the age of 47 years on 7 March 1853. He was followed to the grave just six days later by his wife Susan, who likewise died from an attack of measles on 13 March 1853. John Sanders entered 80 acres of land in Washington Twp., Delaware Co., Ind., in the year 1835. This land was adjacent to land owned by his father-in-law, John Ginn. Children of John Sanders and Susan Ginn:

1918 Obituary of William R. Sanders

From the May 2, 1918, *Kokomo (Ind.) Daily Tribune*. Sent in by Claire Weeber, 15300 Mercury Drive, Grand Haven MI 49417-9505.

"William R. Sanders, age 93, died at his home one-half mile east of West Middleton Tuesday evening, April 30.

1. William, b c1833, m 3 Mar 1853 Elizabeth Smith. Elizabeth died on 13 Feb 1863 and was buried in the Roderick Cemetery, located about one half mile east of Ginn Cemetery on the opposite side of the Mississinawa River. William was married a second time to Nancy M. Sage on 13 May 1864. Both marriages occurred in Delaware Co., Ind. By his first wife, Mr. Sanders was the father of two children: Charles W. and David S. Sanders. By his second wife, he was the father of Edna V. and Otto Sanders.

2. Sarah Isabella, b c1835 m 18 Oct 1857 Delaware Co., Ind. Jonathan S. Martin, a school teacher. They were the parents of at least two children: Bertha, wife of Robert Scott, and Charles Martin.

3. Mary Jane, b 3 Sept 1840 m 26 Jan 1862 James S. Rigdon. Mary Jane died 7 Aug 1866 and was buried in the Ginn Cemetery.

4. Matilda, b c1843.

5. John L., b 22 April 1843 d 28 Oct 1843. He is buried in Ginn Cemetery.

6. Rebecca, b 28 Nov 1848 m James S. Rigdon, (previously married to her deceased sister Mary Jane) on 14 Feb 1867. James Rigdon had three children, viz., Minnie, Eli S., and Frank. Eli, whose mother was Rebecca, was the only child to live to maturity. James Rigdon died on 4 May, 1916. Rebecca lived several years later but her death date is unknown. The Rigdons are buried in the Elizabethtown Cemetery, near Wheeling, Ind. Their son Eli S. owned in excess of 500 acres along the Missisiniwa river around Elizabethtown and Wheeling, Delaware County and Grant Counties, Ind. He inherited most of this land from his father.

7. Amelia B., b 7 March 1849 Washington Twp., Delaware Co., Ind, m 29 September 1867 Daniel Studebaker.

W. Keith Fisher is descended from Amelia B. Sanders and Daniel Studebaker. ■

"He was born in North Carolina April 4, 1825, the son of Aaron and Abigail Sanders. The family moved to Hendricks County, Indiana, when William was a small child.

"He was married three times. To the first union eight children were born -- four sons and four daughters -- one daughter dying in infancy. The others surviving are Abraham, Aaron, and



William Riley Sanders

Frank of near Forrest, Clinton County; John of Shamrock, Oklahoma; Mrs. Peter Gray of near Middlefork; Mrs. Frank Rivers and Mrs. Sarah Crawford of Kokomo. He has one brother, Ebenezer Sanders

of Forrest; two sisters, Mary Ann Block of Forrest and Lucinda Jones of Noble County, Indiana.

"His second wife lived but a few years and in 1895 he was married to Margaret Lewellyn of Kokomo, who is still living. Besides the ones mentioned, he is survived by a host of grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

"Uncle Billy Sanders was a familiar figure in Howard and Clinton Counties, where he had spent most of his years. His honesty and integrity was appreciated by all who knew him.

"He was a very prosperous man, and his manner of living was the chief attribute to his longevity. He was very fond of hunting and fishing. He made many trips into the various states, where he could indulge in his favorite sport.

"He was a member of the Disciples Church at West Middleton. The funeral arrangements are not completed on account of waiting to hear from his son in Oklahoma." ■

Donald V. Williams, 17446 SW Granada Drive, Beaverton, OR 97007 is looking for parents of Samuel Sanders who was married to Elizabeth. His ancestor is a Mary M. Sanders (b. about 1840 in Kentucky, d. about 1870), daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth. Mary M. married Charles Runion. ■

ASSORTED QUERIES . . .

Dennis Bourquein, 204 Beech Grove Avenue, Batesville, IN 47006, [bbourque@venus.net]. Seeking information on Charlotte Sanders who married Jesse Calvert on Feb. 10, 1808, in Fayette County, Ky. Charlotte (b.?, d. 1820), was the daughter of James Sanders. I especially need information on their child, Jesse, who was born after his father's death in 1815. Charlotte had brothers, Raymond and Miverd.

Kay L. Saunders; 12404 E. 42nd St., Independence, MO 64055-4426 is looking for any information on parentage and/or siblings of Holman Saunders, born 1810-1812 in Red Sulfur Springs, Monroe Co, Va.; married 7 Jan 1831 in Monroe Co, Va. to Nancy Keatley (b: ca 1813-Monroe Co, Va. & d: 19 Oct 1877 Summers Co, Va.); and died ca 1867 in presumably in Monroe Co, Va. It is believed that Holman's first name was John but this is undocumented. Nancy's parents were James Keatley and Lydia Sauvain. I have proof of three known children: John (Jr.); James Keatley; and Lewis Vide. All three sons enlisted in Clark's Unit of the Virginia Sharpshooters during the Civil War. John returned home to die and the other two were captured by Union forces. James lost three fingers as a result of frostbite in a POW camp while Lewis managed to escape. After the War, James and Lewis moved their families to Jackson County, Mo. and helped settle it. James K. Saunders is my husband's great-grandfather. I need help to get this line moving back again! Will trade information with anyone on this family.

John C. Nichols, 100 Cardinal Ave., San Antonio, TX 78209, [jcnich@aol.com] seeks information on the Sanders family of Ann Sanders of Virginia who married 3 Aug 1751 Robert Hatcher. Robert Hatcher was born 1729 in Mecklenburg Co., Va. and died in 1800. Ann Sanders and Robert Hatcher had these six known Hatcher children from 1757 to 1765: John Sr., William, Henry, Josiah, Jeremiah, and Amelia. The oldest child, Major John Hatcher, Sr., was born on the Hatcher family plantation on the James River in Henrico Co., Va. Other children may have been born there.

Monica J. Burgos, 6513 Wister St., Philadelphia, PA 19138, [BurgoCasa@aol.com] or [LASE30A@prodigy.com] is seeking information on the Sanders family from Round O, Cottageville, South Carolina. Julius Cesear Sanders (b. 1869 or 1879; d. 1963) married to Rosa Bodison. His father was Simon Sanders and his grandfather was Isaac Sanders. Siblings of Julius Cesear Sanders were Melvin (Bubba Mel), Mark, John, Pinky (female, died early), and Mattie.

From Sue Crane, P. O. Box 445, Edwardsburg, MI 49112, [SueCrane@aol.com]. Sanders is in my husband's line, and her name is Lettice. She is the daughter of Benjamin Sanders and wife Nancy ___? Benjamin's will, written in 1835, was filed in Brooke Co, Va. (now W.V.). Lettice married George Wilcoxon, and they lived in Beaver Co, Penn., just across the line from Brooke Co. (I guess this panhandle area of W.V. was part of Penn. at one time, then Va., now W.V.) I don't know where Benjamin & Nancy came to Brooke Co. from, but George Wilcoxon was a native of Maryland. From Benjamin's will, the names of his children are: James, Samuel, Lewis, Anne, Lettice, Amy, Benjamin, Betsy, Belinda, Polly, Matilda, Nancy, George, and Edward. George & Edward were both deceased by 1835. Grandchildren Nancy Sanders, daughter of Matilda, and Joseph are also mentioned. George and Lettice moved on to Tuscarawas Co., Ohio, where George died in 1850. Lettice died there in 1870. Do you know any more about this Sanders family?

Mary E. Malland, 88058 Woodlands Drive, Florence, OR 97439-9004 is particularly interested in the families of: David and Elizabeth Sanders - late 1700s to early 1800s in Canada. Palmer Partello (1808-1884) and his wife Elizabeth Sanders (1811-1880); married in Vermont 1829; lived in Lawrence, Lawrence Co., N.Y. 1830-40; lived in Eagle, Mich., 1840 until death. David Sanders, ca 1840 - St. Lawrence Co., N.Y. Any information on these would be appreciated.

From Martha S. Finrock, 6354 Silver Oaks Drive, Zephyrhills, FL 33541, [MFinrock@aol.com], [FDJX40A@prodigy.com], [72702,3326@compuserve.com]. Need parents of Henry Saunders who married Aprahinah Crandall about 1772 in Conn. or R.I. They had a daughter Nancy born 15 Sep 1789 in Hopkinton, R.I., who married Israel Newton.

Elva Dixon, 19A S. Kingsbridge Pl., Chesapeake, VA 23320 is still looking for several people. In a letter she has from Sylvie Saunders (1883-1963, New Orleans), she mentioned some children of Henry and Polly Saunders (in N.C.). One was Elkhanah Shulford Saunders (b. 8 Nov 1847) living in Keller, Ga., in 1918. Wade Saunders, had a country store and saw mill in Fayetteville, N.C. Margaret Sanders Bean was living in Cagles Mill, N.C. in 1918. If someone knows about these people, they may be able to help her with the Jacob Saunders line. Jacob was the father of Henry. Jacob's father was named Isaac.

Alberta W. Brown, 2941 Jules St., St. Joseph, MO 64501-3327. I am searching for information on my great-grandfather Joseph Sanders, b 1840 Georgia, m. Rebecca Walker Oct. 29, 1863 in Webster Co., Ky. He left home in 1875 and his family never heard from him again. In 1870 census he is shown with his family in McLean Co., Ky. In 1880, he is gone and wife is shown living with her parents' family (Robert Walker) in Webster Co., Ky.

Joseph and Rebecca had a daughter Mary Annie Sanders who married Lewis Auston Hudson in Feb. 1892 in Spencer Co. Ind. They had a daughter, Gutha Ilene, born 1904 McLean Co., Ky. In 1925 Gutha Ileane married a man in Los Angeles, Calif., by the name of Mayberry.

On December 1907 at Montrose, Colo., Mary Annie Hudson divorced Lewis Hudson and married John C. Palmer. From this 2nd marriage they had a son, James Franklin Palmer, b March 1913 in Bingham, Utah.

I will appreciate any information on
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More Queries . . .

Joseph Sanders, and his grandchildren Gutha Hudson and James Franklin Palmer.

Carolyn Burke, 5991 Robin Hill Drive, Lakeport, CA 95453, [cburke@ptn.com]. George M. Sanders, born GA, married Suckey Bedwell, son William Ryley Sanders, b. 1833 in Miss., m. Elizabeth Gilly, died 1916 in Tishomingo Co., Miss., dau, Rebecca Jane Sanders (my grandmother), b.1877 in Ala., m. John Thomas Jordan in 1892, died 1952 in Iuka, Tishomingo Co, Miss. Anyone have any info about any of these Sanders or related lines? I do have names of some siblings of William Ryley Sanders and those of Rebecca Sanders Jordan. Love to share.

From Chantel Shirtum, 1254 N. Interstate Dr., Norman, OK 73072 [User672081@aol.com]. Looking for anyone researching the Benjamin Saunders line from North Carolina. He was born in 1772, place unknown. He had a first wife and together they had two sons, Richard and "baby boy." She disappeared and he married Charity Cox. Together they had the following children: Anne Maria, Lewis, Penelope, Robert Benjamin, Sarah and Joseph. Joseph married Mary Ann Simmons and resided in Lauderdale Co., Miss., and finally Bastrop Co., Tex. Benj. died in 1816 in New Hanover Co., N.C. He has also been in Perquimans Co., N.C. Charity died in 1855 in North Carolina.

Nancy Schilling, P. O. Box 53434, Lubbock, TX 79453, [Marantae@aol.com]. Please contact me if you know of a Nancy Jane Sanders, born June 27, 1803 in Georgia. Her husband was John Hill, born May 12, 1799 in S.C. They lived briefly in Tenn. (their first child, Harriet, was born there in 1822) and lived out their remaining years in Madison Co., Ala. Their children's names were Harriet, Alice, Rachel Ann, Rutha, Zilpha, David, William, Clarissa, Elizabeth, John Sanders, and Andrew. Harriet is my g-g-g-grandmother, and Rachel Ann is my g-g-grandmother! (Harriet's granddaughter married Rachel's son!) Please let me know if you are researching the same family...will be glad to swap information.

From Delores Everett, 3429 Shrine Park Raod, Leavenworth, KS 66048. Elizabeth Saunders was born 20 Oct 1856 in England to John Saunders and _____. She died 20 Jun 1927 in Leavenworth, Kans. Elizabeth married Edward Mathias from Missouri. His father was Jonathan Mathias from Wales. Can you identify Elizabeth's parents and their origin in England?

Virginia K. Brock, 1501 Maria St., League City, TX 77573-5627, [vkb@phoenix.net]. I am researching my father's family history, and I am having trouble with the names Sanders and Bonar (Bomar) in Missouri. A grandfather's name was William Calvin Sanders, who was married to Mary Jane Bonar (Bomar). A daughter, Mary Margaret Sanders, born 6-3-1858, in Worth County, Mo., was my great-grandmother. Have you any information about this family in Missouri?

Claire J. Weeber, 15300 Mercury Drive, Grand Haven, Michigan 49417 is searching for the ancestors of Abraham Sanders, who married Mary Morris October 15, 1791 in Pasquotank County, N.C. Their three children were: John, born 29 July 1793; Aaron, born 11 June 1795; and Leah, born 26 Dec. 1797. I thought Abraham was the son of John and Miriam (Symons) Sanders, born 16 March 1758, until evidence to the contrary appeared. Any information would be appreciated.

Alice V. Nadeau, 1704 5th St., Fairbault, MN 55021 would like to know more about the parents of Anna Sanders (1826-1893) who married John Mess (1825-1910) in Germany. The birth record of Anna Sanders indicates that her father was "an English soldier wounded and left behind after the wars." 1811? Jena? 1815? Waterloo? Their children were Herman, Deitrich, Catherine, Margaret, Henry, and Anna. Henry and Anna came to America and settled in Brooklyn, N.Y. in 1879 and 1880. Their families remained in the New York area. Catherine's granddaughter Anna Kech still lives in Germany and has welcomed visitors in Quackenbruck. She visited America in 1975. Alice has more information to share. ■

Do You Know About This William Sanders From Grundy County, Tenn.?

Tena Ondeck, 2096 Halverstick Road, Lynden, WA 98264, [ondeck@pacificrim.net]. Looking for parents of WILLIAM SANDERS (b.1826 Tenn.), married Louisa/Lucinda/Eliza?? They lived in Grundy County, (Old?)Pelham Twp, Tenn. and had children Nancy Ann Sanders (My gr gr grandmother) and possibly other children Cinthia/Cynthia, Mary E., Pleasant L., and Margarete M. Sanders. Also possible children Poutha and Martha. When Nancy Ann married Joseph Franklin and moved to Alabama from Tenn., census indicated that her mother and sisters tended to follow the Sherman family and live in the neighborhood. My great great grandfather, Joseph Franklin Sherman, b:1844-45 in Tenn., married Nancy Ann Sanders (b. 5/16/1849 in Tenn.) The census showed they lived in Blue Mountain (Paint Rock), Jackson County, Alabama in or around 1873. (There's more to share there if you want).

They had 19 children (can you believe it!) or so the census and family stories say. The Sherman children accounted for are as follows:

Dock (1873); Idella (1873); July (Julie)(1876); Joseph Franklin (Uncle Joe)(1878); Edmond (Ed)(1878); John Henry (my grandfather)(1879); Grover Cleveland (1885); Charles (1889); James Monroe (1890); Molly (Sherman) Isbell (1890); and Norma, Fannie and Viola. (These three and others I do not have much on).

Joseph Franklin Sherman probably died around 1890 as his wife and children moved to Arkansas from Alabama in appx. 1890. Nancy, his wife, remarried twice more and may have had at least one more child. She and the group spread out in Arkansas, and lived in Lonoke, Ark., England Ark., Sherman Island #55 in the Mississippi River, Poinsett County, St. Francis County, etc,etc,etc. I have more information that I can share. Any help is appreciated. ■

Notes About This Issue

I apologize for not getting all stories (long ones) printed in this issue. All queries from subscribers have been included except for some real long ones. Queries from subscribers take precedence over non-subscribers.

Continue to send queries. Be sure to include enough material so that someone can identify the proper people to whom they may connect, but don't make them *too* long. Good pictures are still needed.

E-mail addresses of contributors are listed right after the other address in brackets [], if the person has an e-mail address. It will be listed as an Internet address, so if you are on Compuserve, Prodigy, America-Online, or whatever—you can recognize the part of the address that is to be used for your service

It will be very much appreciated if you send me your queries and other material via e-mail. Send it to me at [dschaefer@comp.uark.edu] or [Siftings@aol.com]. If you can't e-mail, put your copy on a 3 1/2" disk in WordPerfect (5.0) or most anything on a Macintosh. Also, if you send cleanly typed copy I can scan it with OCR software and a scanner to save time. *Whichever is okay for you—but send me something!*

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Sanders From Butler County, Ohio?

Dwain Rosenberger, 1720 N. Dodge Street, Iowa City, IA 52245-9588, [dcrose@aol.com] has information on Sanders line — 3GGF WILLIAM A. SANDERS was born in N.C. (date unknown), m. Mary A. Bruner from Ohio.

2GGF was GEORGE W. SANDERS, b 1841 in Butler County, Fairfield Township, Ohio. He married Hester Brunner and they had 13 children:
 Anna A. Sanders, b. Decatur Co., Ind., m. George W. Smith
 Bertha Sanders, b. Decatur Co., m. Alvia Platt
 Bessie Sanders, b. Decatur Co., m. William Redeker
 Maude Sanders, b. Decatur Co., m. William Shupert, Nov 1902

Robert Sanders, b. Decatur Co.
 Walter Sanders, b. Decatur Co., m. Katie Hayes, Oct 1901
 William Sanders, b. 1867
 George Sanders, b. 1868, m. Mollie Watkins, Sep 1897
 John E. Sanders, b. 1870, m. Estelle Bentley, Dec 1899
 Amanda E. Sanders, b. 1872, m. Issac Brown, Jan 1891
 Charles E. Sanders, b. 1874 (ggf), m. 1st- Hatie Boyd, Aug 1896; m. 2nd- Nancy Moore, Aug 1901
 Henry Sanders, b. 1876, m. Grace Parker, Sep 1898
 Maggie Sanders, b. 1878, m. Charles Little, Jul 1894
 Any help on the above families would be greatly appreciated! ■

This Couple In Alabama Is Looking For His Saunders and Her Sanders

Toni and Peter Saunders, P.O. Box 181, Toney, AL 35773-0181 are searching for both Sanders and Saunders. Toni's maiden name is Sanders. In the last issue, we saw what Sanders she was looking for. Now, Peter is seeking parents, siblings, or children of FREDERICK SAUNDERS. He was born circa 1785. According to family stories two brothers stowed away on a ship and came to Savannah or Charleston from England. One brother went to South Carolina, the other, Frederick, went to Georgia. Frederick was a merchant in Effingham Co., Ga. and was murdered by Negro named Essex on 8 July 1821 in Savannah, Georgia.

Frederick married first 23 Sept 1808 Chatham Co., Ga. to Sarah Crawford. No known issue. Evidently their marriage was not a happy one as an article in the *Daily Georgia* says, "This is to forewarn all persons from harboring or trusting my wife Sarah Saunders, as she has left my bed and board for no just cause or reason and I am determined not to pay any of her debts. Frederick Saunders May 8, 1809."

Frederick married second Martha _____. She was born circa 1798 in Georgia. Richard is the only known child of Frederick; however the Georgia Land Lottery of 1821 lists the orphans of Frederick Saunders as if there were more

than one child.

After Frederick's death, Martha married John McKee on 16 Apr 1823 in Chatham Co., Ga. John McKee was born about 1781 in Ireland. In 1850 they were living in Covington Co., Ala. w/one son, Gauley McKee, b. 1828 in Ga.

Richard Saunders b. 15 Aug 1820 in Ga., d. 10 Mar 1896 Geneva Co., Ala., buried in the Purvis Family Cemetery in Geneva Co. Richard married Elizabeth "Betsy" Ann Chapman, b. 18 Jan 1825, Ga., d. 22 May 1901 Geneva Co., Ala., buried in the Purvis Cemetery. Children: John (1841-1920) m. Elizabeth Jane Cobb; Frances (1843); Frederick (1847-1917); Mary Ann (1848) m1. Jamis Hawkins, m2. Tom Paul; Richard Samuel (1852) m. Spicey Ann; Robert (1855); Thomas Green (1856), m. Rhonda; Elijah Harold (1861-1943), m. Josephine; Eliza (1861); Martha (1864); William H. (1868-1944), m1. Margaret E., m2. Burmah Herring. ■

Corine Ransom, P. O. Box 1754, Albany, OR 97321, [ransom@proaxis.com] is searching for parents/siblings of Abner Sanders who married Polly Gilbert in Franklin Co., Va. on 7 Aug 1828 with Joseph Wright attesting that Polly was of age. ■

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