

# SANDERS *Siftings*

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

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

### Chapter II

#### LAWRENCE SANDERS, MARTYR

Thomas and his wife Margaret Cave are known to have had five children, Blaston, Thomas, Joseph, Edward and Lawrence. Edward, the first son, was a lawyer and eventually a judge, achieving quite a remarkable stature in the affairs of state at that time. It has been established that Edward had no children. Lawrence, the second son, was the ancestor from which the Sanders families of East Texas spring. Thus far, no other detailed information has been found on the other children of Thomas and Margaret.

Lawrence and Elizabeth Kittwell Saunders had six children, three boys and three girls, two of whom were twins. One account mentioned an infant son. Some have opined that could have been Mittwell, born on November 10, 1548. He would have been six or seven years of age at the time of Lawrence's death. However, the infant son referred to in Lawrence's letters to his wife was called Samuel. An assumption can be made that the last child was born in about 1553-4. There is some speculation that perhaps Lawrence had a second family by another wife. But, no mention is made of the death of his first wife. Other possibilities include a double name, that is Samuel Mittwell, which was not recorded in later accounts. Considerable

detail on both Edward and Lawrence can be found in *The Compact Edition of the Dictionary of National Biography*<sup>1</sup> which is extremely valuable as a primary source document later in this work.

Lawrence Sanders was born in Harrington, Northamptonshire, England, on July 9, 1510. He married Elizabeth Kittwell, daughter of John Kittwell of Plymouth, England. This information was copied from a bible printed in the sixteenth century and owned by Richard Saunders of



The Burning of Master Laurence Saunders at Coventry From *The Church Historians of England, Reformation Period* "The Acts and Monuments of John Foxe." Carefully revised, with notes and appendices. Vol. VI, Part II. Seeleys, Fleet Street and Hanover Street. MDCCCLIX. R. Clay, printer, Bread Street Hill, London. *Furnished by Paul A. Saunders.*

New Kent County, Virginia in 1777. The children of Lawrence and Elizabeth were born at Dunstable, England. As previously mentioned the research sources on Lawrence are abundant and clear since he figured prominently in the period of the Reformation. It was in the turmoil of that period that Lawrence came to be excommunicated from the Catholic Church for his refusal to bend to the "Popish" demands for allegiance. (See Appendix B [of complete history] for the full dialogue of his excommunication.) "Upon the Wednesday, being the 30 of January Doctor Taylor, Doctor Crome, M. Bradford, M.

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## A Definition of Genealogy

*The Researcher's Guide to American Genealogy*, by Val D. Greenwood, has these important definitions at the beginning of chapter 1:

**Genealogy:** That branch of history which involves the determination of family relationships. This is not done by copying but rather by *research*.

**Research:** An investigation aimed at the discovery and the interpretation of facts and also the revision of accepted theories in light of new facts.

Many of us are searching for someone who has already done much of our genealogy research. When we find him or her, most of our work will be done and we will have our family history well on its way to being finished. We can even tell our relatives, "Look what I've done."

Right? I'm guilty of that. One reason I started this newsletter was to get people together who could help each other with their research—and also to find someone who has located most of my missing ancestors.

But, I have a word of caution. Don't take any other person's research as fact without solid proof. If it's not proven, be sure everyone to whom you pass that information knows that.

Even more important—*don't believe the information is fact just because it's printed in a book and the author says it is fact.*

A case in point is the information on page four of this issue of *Siftings* titled, "Conflicting Origins of Tobias Saunders in Print" by Paul Saunders. All of the facts were found *printed in books*. They were books that you would not question as being reliable.

We *should* question sources and check out information we receive. ■

Don Schaefer, *editor*

# Gordon Saunders of Tazewell Co., Virginia may be Key to Research

Submitted by Glenn D. Sanders, 7255 South Kiowa, Larkspur, CO 80118, [asanders@netcom.com]. Glenn would like to hear from anyone with connections to someone in this biography.

From *Virginia and Virginians: Tazewell County*, by Dr. R.A. Brock, Secretary of the Virginia Historical Society, 1888, page 849:

"Gordon Saunders was born in Montgomery county, Virginia, on September 8, 1829. In Wythe County, Virginia, February 10, 1859, he married Mary L. Harman, who was born in that county August 13, 1829. Their children are three sons: Thomas McTeer, Henry M. and John R. Mr. Saunders is now one of the farming residents of Tazewell county, his home near Springville. He is a member of Harman Lodge, No. 222 A.F. & A.M., at Graham. He enlisted in Giles County, Virginia, August 1861, in Company F, 8th Virginia Cavalry (the Bland Rangers), and of the 104 men who then went in to service in this company, he was one of the nine left to represent the gallant organization at the surrender at Appomatox. He served as corporal, sergeant, and orderly sergeant, was four times captured but always escaped, and rendered very efficient detached service as scout and dispatch bearer, seeing some dangerous service in fording rivers and scaling mountains by night, and with his regiment in its many engagements.

"Gordon Saunders is a son of Micajah Saunders, a farmer of Bland County, who died at the age of eighty-three years, and who was a son of Robert Saunders. Robert Saunders, who had two sons in the war of 1812, was a farmer of Leeksville, North Carolina, later of Montgomery County, Virginia. The mother of Gordon Saunders was Rebecca, daughter of John Thompson, a farmer of Montgomery county, whose wife was a Miss Laydon, of New York, a cousin of General Washington. Mrs. Gordon Saunders is a daughter of the late Henry Harmon, a farmer of Wythe county, son of Adam Harmon, an early settler in the county. Her mother was Mary, daughter of Thomas Pauly, of Wythe county, and her brother John was a soldier in the war of 1812, stationed at Norfolk."

Of the two sons of Robert mentioned above who fought in the War of 1812, I am quite sure that they are Anthony and Francis. I have both of their service records from the National Archives, as well as Anthony's bounty land records, which show that they originated from and returned to Montgomery Co. Va. after the war. ■

## Patchez Seeks Information About William J. Sanders

From Barbara "Patchez" Wyland, P. O. Box 1062, Monticello, MS, 39654, [WYL244@tislink.com]. As the story goes, Latitia Ann Jones married William J. Sanders as his 2nd wife. 1st wife was Elizabeth Keen, who he married in Mississippi. We have no dates and I am experienced enough to know that the above is not enough, but it is all the information that I have on this couple, except for the fact that they *may* have moved to Louisiana (which to me says that they *may not* have moved at all.)

Other names in my list are Sim (Simeon?) Sanders who married Amanda Bourne (or possibly Armstrong). The couple resided in Mississippi (maybe Lincoln or Copiah County in the SW corner of the state). Estimated date on this couple is early to mid-1800s. It is known they at least one daughter, who was my paternal grandmother, Elvira Sanders, who married William Dunn. What are her birth dates, death dates, marriage dates and location? Any information will be much appreciated. ■

Sybil Hamm Taylor, 942 Lillie Drive, Carthage, MO 64836 is looking for Sanders from Bedford Co, Tenn., who may be connected with the family of her 4g-grandfather, John Sanders (1775-1832). His son, John Sanders, Jr. was born 1795 in Tenn. and died in Bedford Co. abt 1845-46. His son, John Sanders, was born 22 Feb 1832 in Bedford Co. and died 13 Mar 1882 in Evening Shade, Sharp Co., Ark. Sybil has much information to share but would like more information about the elder John Sanders. ■

## A Sanders Family (continued from page one)

Saunders, and Doctor Ferrar, sometimes Bishop of S. Davids, were before said Bishops, where three of them, that is to say, Doctor Taylor, Master Saunders, and M. Bradford were likewise Excommunicated and Sentence pronounced upon them, and so committed to the Sheriffs. D. Crome desired two months respite, and it was granted him; M. Ferrar was again committed to prison till another time. All these men showed themselves to be learned, as indeed they were no less: but what availeth either learning, reason, or Truth itself, were well beareth rule. . . .

[The trail, excommunication, and execution at Coventry of Lawrence Saunders was detailed in issue no. 5 of *Siftings*.]

. . . A monument was erected at the site of the burning memorializing "The Martyrs of Coventry" and can be found approximately two blocks northeast of the railway station in Coventry. On the stone are recorded the words of Lawrence "I hold no heresies, but the doctrine of God, the blessed gospel of Christ that I hold and believe, have taught and will never revoke. —Welcome, the cross of Christ. Welcome everlasting life." Also on that monument it is recorded that the bodies were then buried two blocks east of that location. The indicated area is now covered by businesses and apartment houses.<sup>2</sup> . . .

### Chapter III

#### EARLY LINK TO AMERICA

John, oldest son of Lawrence, was born on July 6, 1539. He married Jane Catchaside on January 6, 1563. She was the daughter and only child of Ralph Catchaside of Plymouth, England. They had three daughters and four sons. Of those, George, born on May 1, 1574, was the youngest and the direct ancestor of this American line. George settled in Virginia. There are two entries in the Passenger and Immigration Lists Index for a George Sanders indicating his arrival in Virginia in 1632. He was married to Elizabeth Woodward, daughter of Rollo Woodward of Huntingdon, England. The youngest son of that marriage was named Woodward. He was born on April 24, 1632 in the Colony of Virginia. In 1659, at the age of 27, he was married to Barbara King, daughter of William and Nancy (Holmes) King. They settled near New Kent and reared 12 children. They were recorded in a Coverdale version of the bible, the owner of which is

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no longer known. The preceding information on Lawrence through Woodward and leading to William, a son born of the marriage of Woodward and Barbara, was documented by Mrs. Edith Whitley, Nashville, Tennessee.<sup>3</sup>

It is clear that the Sanders lineage had become Quakers by the time of William. This period saw the introduction of Quakers in the Colonies. Hinshaw's *Encyclopedia of American Quaker Genealogy*<sup>4</sup> gives a complete and thorough picture of the existence suffered by the early Quakers' trials and tribulations in the "New World." Excerpts from this work are very helpful and will be referred to extensively for better understanding of this period. . .

. . . John Bennett Boddie<sup>5</sup> refers extensively to William and Mary Hall Sanders in his treatment of land holdings in Nansemond County. In that same work, William is specifically referred to as a Quaker. This is significant because of the absence of other references to religions in discussions of deeds and land transfers. Bill Jobe's *Journal* lists John Sanders as a son of William and Mary Hall Sanders and subsequently lists Joel as one of the three children of John and his wife Priscilla Pritlow Sanders. Joel is picked up as a "staunch Quaker" as he leaves Nansemond County with his wife, Charity. They are tracked, through Quaker records, ultimately to Wrightsborough Township, Georgia, as will be seen in more detail in the next chapter.

Endnotes:

1. \_\_\_\_\_, *The Compact Edition of the Dictionary of National Biography*, Vol. II Main DNB O'Donnell-Zuylestein and Supplement, Oxford University Press, 1975.
2. Located, read, and photographed by the author in 1990.
3. Whitley, Edith. *The Edith Whitley Genealogy Collection*, City Library, Franklin, Tennessee.
4. Hinshaw, William Wade, *Encyclopedia of American Quaker Genealogy*, Friends Book and Supply House, Distributors, Richmond, Indiana, Edwards Brothers, Inc., Printers, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1950.
5. Boddie, John Bennett, *Historical Southern Families*, Vol. VI, p.237, Pacific Coast Publishers, Redwood City, California.

In the next issue of this newsletter, the story of this Sanders family moving west to the frontiers of Tennessee is to be covered.

Questions? Check with the author, Col. Howard K. Sanders, 5409 Franklin Road, Nashville, TN 37220, e-mail at HKSanders@aol.com ■

## SANDERS FAMILY HISTORY

Another Sanders history, *The Sanders Family of Eastern Kentucky*, has just been completed by Mary Donna Foley. The 350-page book, with index and bibliography, traces all 12 children of Thomas J. Sanders and Elizabeth C. McBrayer, and a few pages on his brothers and sisters.

Copies can be ordered from Mary Donna Foley, 460 Weston Road, Russell Springs, KY 42642-9782. The price per copy is \$25.00, including postage. Questions? E-mail her at [mdfoley@rsgs.uky.edu].

## Matilda Huamma Saunders?

From Gordon Hawkins, 351 Court Street, Brooklyn, NY 11231 [GordonHawk@aol.com]. My ggg grandmother was Matilda Huamma Saunders b. N.C. She was married to David Lovett Sr. b.1778 N.C., d. 1873 Montevista, Miss. Matilda and David Lovett are buried together in Lovett Cemetery, Montevista, Miss. David Lovett was one of the first settlers of Webster Co., Miss. He was of Irish descent. They came to Miss. (1823-24) by way of Tenn. where their first child was born in 1808. ■

## Joseph Saunders, Born 1802 in Va.; Died in Arkansas

Beulah E. Springer, P. O. Box 628, John Day, OR 97845 is seeking information about her great-grandfather, Joseph Saunders (b. 1802 Va., d. 1849 Ark.) Joseph m. Nancy Yates (b. 17 Feb 1810 Deer Creek, Ohio). Names were spelled Sanders and sometimes Saunders. Their children were:

Emeline (b. 1829 Ohio, m. Leffingwell)  
Susana White (b. 7 Feb 1836, m. Alfred Goodwin)

James M. (b. 7 Sep 1836 Ohio, d. 1911 Long Creek, Ore.) (my grandfather)

Ann Elizabeth (b. 13 Sep 1838 in Ind., m. 1st Tichenor, 2nd McCready)

Marcus Brown (b. 8 Dec 1842)

David A. (b. 1843 Ark.)

Martha Elizabeth (b. 24 Jan 1846 Ark., m. Ayers)

James M. Saunders m. Sabina Evelyn Hicks Feb 1867 in Iowa. Their ten children were:

John Hicks (1868)(my father), Charles (1870), James D. (1874), Frank (1876), Letha Alice (1878), Mark, Susan (1880), Ieta (1881), Ella (1886), and Hubert (1893).

Any information about this family would be appreciated. ■



This is the family of Joseph M.G. Sanders (1868-1943) and Icy Phenie Worthen Sanders (1871-1935) in Eufala, Okla., shortly after their move from Jackson County, Ala., in about 1903. Front row, l to r: Joe Sanders, Alice Sanders (a niece living with them), Joseph M.G., Anna Sanders, Wallace Sanders, Alta Sanders, Icy Phenie, Phenie Emma Sanders, and Sarah E. Sanders; back row: Jane Sanders, John Washington Sanders, and Mirtle F. Sanders. Photo furnished via e-mail from James Butler, 429 S. Carter, Norman, OK 73071, [pvtjoker@okc.oklahoma.net].

# Conflicting Origins of Tobias Saunders in Print

Paul Saunders (1417 Woody Creek Road, Matthews, NC 28105-8811) has found quite an assortment of "evidence" for the origin of his ancestor, Tobias Saunders. The following references listed by Paul show that you can't believe everything you see in print (or obtain from other researchers). In a later issue we will give what Paul has concluded from this conflicting data.

## 1. LITTLE IRETON, DERBYSHIRE

From *The Founders of the Massachusetts Bay Colony*, by Sarah Saunders Smith, 1397, pp.38 & 39: "In 1633 Christopher Saunders, who with wife, Mary Clark, daughter of Daniel Clark, former Governor of Barbados, assisted in settlement of Windsor, Connecticut..."

"1638. Also came Tobias Sanders, one of the King's life guards, and brother of Christopher. [The King's Life Guards were not formed until 1639, per Debrett Ltd.]

"1840. George Sanders comes to Boston, establishes himself as a merchant, trading largely with the Barbados, having his uncle, Stephen Spicer, as agent at Barbados. Descendants settled in North Carolina."

From *NEHG Register*, vol.107 (1963), p.48: "Sanders, George and Christopher, brothers, of Little Ireton, Derbyshire, England, and of Windsor, Connecticut as early as 1671." [Thus Tobias might have been from Little Ireton, too.]

## 2. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

From Burke's *Landed Gentry*, 1939, p.2899: "Tobias Saunders, of Northamptonshire, left England to settle in America, ca.1633."

From *Westerly Settlers No.7*, "The Narragansett Weekly," 13 Feb.1862: "Among the noble band of martyrs and the second one, who suffered in Queen Mary's time, (the first being John Rogers,) was Lawrence Saunders the ancestor of Tobias, of Westerly, (by tradition.)"

From *Swamp Yankee from Mystic*, by James H. Allyn, p.56: "Tobias Saunders as a young man was a Life Guard under Charles I, which would indicate that his family had a good social position. His grandfather or

great-grandfather was the Rev. Lawrence Saunders."

From *The Dictionary of National Biography*, vol.50, p.327: "Saunders, Laurence (d.1556), martyr, was son of Thomas Saunders of Harrington, Northamptonshire...."

## 3. BARBADOS

From *Barbados Records - Wills and Administrations*, by Joanne McRee Sanders, 1979, vol. I, 1638-1680, p.133: "FUTTER, Henry, 18 July 1851 - Tobias Saunders mentioned."

From *Barbados Will Book RB6*, Vol.11, pp.485-6: The will of Henry FULLER [my emphasis], dated 18 July 1651 - "... Item: - I give and bequeath unto Margaretta Saunders daughter of Tobias Saunders so much of muscovadoe sugar or others comoditie as will buy her a good Heifer or Cow to be delivered to her the said Margaretta Saunders at her day of marriage or ye age of eighteen yeares woh shall first or next happen -...."

## 4. SCOTLAND

From *The Directory of the Ancestral Heads of New England Families*, by Frank R. Holmes, p.ccx. SAUNDERS, SANDERS - "Christopher, resident Windsor, Conn., 1671. George, brother of Christopher, freeman Windsor, Conn., 1671. Tobias, Scotch ancestry, came to Taunton, Mass., 1643, freeman Newport, R.I., 1855, removed Westerly, R.I., 1669."

From *New England Families Genealogical and Memorial*, ed. by William Richard Cutter, 1914, vol.III, p.1574 "Tobias Saunders, the immigrant ancestor, came from Scotland, place unknown ...."

## 5. HAMMERSMITH (western suburb of London), ENGLAND

From *NEHG Register*, vol. 123 (1969), p.33,. "[The Saugus Ironworks village] was called Hammersmith after the place in England, not far from London, from which many of the workmen came. It is quite possible that John Turner was among the group that came from there." [Tobias worked at the Ironworks and lived in the house of Lawrence Turner, John's son. They later bought land together

in Newport and on Conanicut Island, Rhode Island. It is, therefore, possible that Tobias was also from Hammersmith, England.]

From *The Registers of All Hallows, Bread Street and of St. John the Evangelist, Friday Street, London*, ed. by W. Bruce Bannerman, 1913. p.xv: Lawrence Saunders [possible ancestor of Tobias] listed as rector of All Hallows when he was arrested for the final time before his execution. [He was probably living in or near London at the time, hence his descendants might have remained there.]

## 6. WILTSHIRE

From *The Founders of the Massachusetts Bay Colony*, by Sarah Saunders Smith, 1897, p.21: "From the Colonial Records, also from deeds and wills, we find the family of Sanders who came to America were from Wiltshire County, England...."

## 7. TAUNTON, ENGLAND

From *History of the Saunders Family, England & American*, anon., n.d., p.2: "In 1643 A.D. Tobias Saunders.... came from Taunton, England in company with two brothers whose names are not known." [This is possible, but he was also recorded in Taunton, Mass. in 1643.]

## 8. RUTLANDSHIRE

From *Lawrence Saunders the Martyr, and His Friends*, by J. Hixon Irving, 1903?, pp.60 & 61: Lady Lucy Harrington, Lawrence's benefactress and wife of Sir James Harrington of Exton in Rutlandshire, might have had care of Mrs. Saunders and Samuel following Lawrence's death. [Lawrence might have been an ancestor of Tobias - see no.2, above]

From *British Reformers*, The Religious Tract Society, vol.3, p.62. Letters of Lawrence Saunders, Letter VII- To mistress Lucy Harrington, a godly gentlewoman, and friendly to him in his troubles - "...I have a poor wife and child, whom I love in the Lord, and whom I know you will tender for my sake, when I am departed hence." [Thus, Samuel and his mother might have moved to Rutlandshire after Lawrence's death.] ■

## Family Historian in 1930 Seeks Sanders Information In Letter to Relative

The following letter from Wiley E. Wilhite was furnished by Sybil Hamm Taylor, 942 Lillie Drive, Carthage, MO 64836. She has traced it to Wiley's niece, Wanda Wilhite Minor of Montague, Tex. Mrs. Minor has Wiley's unpublished book of the Wilhite and Sanders ancestors. Sybil thinks that W.E. (Wiley) was the grandson of William Sanders, a brother of her 3g-grandfather, John Sanders, Jr., and she also is pretty sure that Henry Sanders is William H. Sanders, a brother of her great-grandfather, John Sanders of Evening Shade Ark. If you see familiar names/places here, let Sybil know.

Bowie, Texas  
Mar 31st, 1930

Mr. Henry Sanders  
Evening Shade, Ark.

My Dear Cousin:

I have recently received your name and address from Uncle William A. Sanders in New Mexico. He said that it has been several years since he had heard from you but supposed that you were still at Evening Shade. Will say that I am the son of Margret Sanders (nec Wilhite) a nephew of William A. Sanders. I am interested in family Genealogy, and I want to know something about Mother's people. Can you give me any information about the early Sanders, Grandmother Sanders always told me that they came from No. Carolina to Alabama, and finally to Miss. Can you tell me the name of all of Grandfather William Sanders, Brothers and sisters (that is all of your Father's Brothers and Sisters) to whom married, Where they were all born and the name of their father and Mother. Also I would like to know where they came from to Miss. (That is, the County in No. Car. they were all born in) That is if you can possibly recall hearing your father mention the place of their birth. Also I would like the name and address of any of Uncle Isaac and Uncle James and Stephens Children, As I would also like to write them and get all the information I can about our people. Will say that Uncle Will Sanders lives in San Jon, New Mexico. and Uncle Jim (J.J.) Lives here at Bowie with his sister, Aunt Lou. They all of the Children that are left now. Mothers has been dead 24 years, and

### Siftings Back Issues Available

Back issues of SANDERS Siftings are available at \$3.00 each. They are: No. 2, July 1995; No. 3, October 1995; No. 4, January 1996; No. 5, April 1996; No. 6, July 1996, and No. 7, October 1996.

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

## Elaine Needs Help With Franklin A. Sanders

Elaine Johnson, 1691 West 190 South, Rexburg, ID 83440, [elaine2@ida.net]. Need help with Franklin A. Sanders. He was born 11 May 1840, Birmingham, Lorain, Ohio. His father was Joseph Sanders, mother maybe Sally. He also lived in Wisconsin. He served in the 10th Iowa Inf. 1861-1865. He owned land, Eden Twp, Marshall Co., Iowa, 1865-1871. He lived in Kansas 1871-1878 and in Wyoming 1878-1912??. He married Dora D. Covey Brandt, 15 Dec 1886, Dale Creek, Albany, Wyo. He lived in Casper and Freeland, Natrona County, Wyo. He died 10 Sep 1914, Idaho Falls, Bonneville, Ida. I haven't been able to find the family in the 1850 census, or the 1860 either. I checked Ohio, Wisconsin, and Iowa. I know where he lived at the time of the 1880 census, but he seems to have been missed by the enumerator. I searched the marriage records from every county in NE Ohio for a marriage for Joseph and anyone at all. There was a man named Ralph Mac Sanders who lived in Marshall Co., Iowa, at the same time Frank did. He was born in the same town in Ohio, in 1847. I think this man is Frank's brother and would like to get in touch with his descendents. ■

Grandmother died here in Bowie in 1922, we are all getting along fairly well, But we are not making very much money. Will be glad to hear from you at your earliest convenience, And if possible I intend to visit Miss. Ala. and Tenn. this summer during my Vacation. Will only have a few days at the various place I hope to stop at. But will try to see all I can in the allotted time. I remain very sincerely

Cousin W. E. Wilhite

## Louisa Suzanna Sanders From Paint Rock Valley

From Jean Brandau, 3421 Boulder Dr., Cedar Falls, IA 50613, [alabama@www.cedarnet.org]. My Sanders grew up in the Paint Rock Valley, Jackson County, Ala. My grandfather, Tom Hall married Louisa Suzanna Sanders (b. Dec. 17, 1900 m. July 21, 1917, d. May 4, 1989). Her parents were Ben Oliver Sanders and Janie Evans. They lived in Clim Rock, Ala. Janie had a twin sister, Annie, who died at 9 yrs. old. Ben was born in Feb. --yr. unknwn.--and had a sister Mat (Matilda?).

Children of Ben Oliver Sanders and Janie Evans: Martha (m. Andy McClyea); Jess (m. Maude Mashburn); Arthur (m. Ev Mashburn); Sam (1st m. Ollie ? 2nd m. Fannie ?); Louisa Suzanna Sanders (m. 1st. Tom Hall, 2nd. Reuben Drake); Francis (m. Lonz Bingham); Lucy (m. Henry Thrower), Lena (m. Jess Counts); and Bigie (m. Thomas Sanning).

Can anyone help connect Ben Oliver to parents and siblings? ■

## From Harrison, Ark. To Shawnee, Oklahoma

From Rebecca Suiter, 302 NW First Street, Checotah, OK 74426. My husband's grandmother was Lillie Matilda Sanders Sooter, and her parents were Charles Sanders and \_\_\_Lowery. Lillie was born in Harrison, Ark., 2 Sep 1900. The family was living in the Shawnee, Okla., area around 1915 to 1925. In the 1900 Bear Creek Township, Boone County, Ark., census a Charles A. Sanders, b. Sep 1866, in Mo., is listed with his wife and 4 children: Marthy E. Sanders, b. Oct 1870 in Mo.; daughter Mary V., b. Apr 1891 in Ark.; daughter Ethel L., b. Oct 1892, in Tex.; son Charles, b. Jan 1895, in Ark.; daughter Edith J., b. Sep 1896 in Ark.; and son Eric E., b. Sep 1898 in Ark. We are not sure this is Lillie's family as we do not know the first name of her mother, and Lillie would not yet be a member of the family since she was born in September of 1900.

We hope somebody may know something of this family, and we can make some connections with some Sanders kinfolk. ■



## ASSORTED QUERIES . . .

Martha Smith, 8930 Elkhorn Rd., Springville, TN 38256 is researching the Sanders family in west Tennessee, particularly the Riley Sanders who lived in Henderson, Decatur County.

Jim Sanders, 5557 Renoir Port Lane, Burke, VA 22015-2032 [utebear@pop.erols.com] needs information about his ancestors who, according to family stories immigrated from Ireland. His ggg-grandfather Aulcie Sanders and two brothers came from Ireland, year unknown, and settled in what is known as Sandersville, Ga. (Butler Co.). The ggg-grandfather was in Georgina, Ala, in 1849, at least that is where his gg-grandfather, Wiley Morgan Sanders, was born 6 Jun 1849. He died 20 Sep 1917 in Cohasset, Ala. Aulcie Sanders died abt 1880-1890 and is buried somewhere southeast of Georgina. Aulcie and 1st wife, Surgerner, had five other children: Isaac (died near Hurtsboro, had large plantation), James (taught school near Troy), John, William (Jackson, Ala.), and Sallie (married a Jackson). By 2nd wife Aulcie had a son named Daniel (he had at least one child named Leon who lived in the Mobile area.)

Jean Holcombe, 9208 Woodley Ave., North Hills, CA 91343-2929, [WJHolcombe@aol.com] is searching the lineage of Ellen (Elender, Elen) Sanders (b. 1787 or 1805 Va. or W.V., d. 1877 Davis Co., Ind., buried Pierce Cemetery, Davis Co., Iowa). She 1st m. Samuel Christie (b. 1780-90 N.C., d. 1845 Ind.) She 2nd m. John Smith 8 Dec 1858 Davis Co., Iowa. There were 12 children by Samuel Christie, some born in Ky., some in Bartholomew Co., Ind. One son lived in Davis Co., Iowa. Who were her parents? Would like to correspond with her descendants.

From Raymond Dean Fisk, 4070 Fir Court, Chino Hills, CA 91709-2621. Need parents and siblings of Dorcas Sanders/Saunders, (b.28 Aug 1772 Mass., d. 8 Feb 1822, Veteran, Chemung Co., N.Y.), m. abt 1793 Daniel Fisk (b. 26 Jun 1772, Worcester, Mass., d. 25 Jul 1810, Albany, N.Y.). Children: Jabez (1794-1867), Abijah (1795-1872), Joseph (1797).

Virginia Keyes, 105 Flint Rock Ct., Folsom, CA 95630, is looking for information about a Saunders in her Willett family line—which goes back to 1620. Elizabeth Saunders (1768) married George E. Willett (1796). No geographic locations furnished.

Del Smajstrla, 4217 Cumberland Rd., N, Fort Worth, TX 76116-8103, [Delsmaj@aol.com] is seeking information about John R. Sanders (b. 1856 Ala.) who in 1876 m. Rena McManis in Milam Co., Tex. They had two sons, James Benjamin and George W.

Lee Hoover, P. O. Box 125, Centerville, TN 37033, is seeking any information about Berryman Sanders (b. July 1812-13 Hickman Co., Tenm.) and children by his first wife, Betsy Tubbs. At least one child is known—Wiley McDonald Sanders (b. 1837 Attala Co., Miss.). Berryman Sanders *may* have been the last son of James Sanders by his first wife.

From Billy J. Sanders, 738 McDivitt Dr., Garland, TX 75040-4772 [BSand@aol.com]. Looking for parents of B. J. (Burrell J.?) Sanders (b. 1810-14 Ga.), wife Martha \_\_\_ (b. 1815 Ga.). Was in Panola County, Tex. in 1850. In Lancaster, Dallas County, Tex. in 1860 children were:  
James F. (b. 1837 Ga.)  
Nancy (b. 1839 Ga.)  
Sarah A. (b. 1841 Ga., m. D. J. See)  
Louisa A. (b. 1844 Ala.)  
William (b. 1847 Ala., m. Sylvania Hawkins)  
Barney J. (b. 1849 Ala.)  
Marquis De LaFayette "Fate" (b. 1850 Tex., m. Mary E. Forsyth)(my ancestor)  
Narcipa E. (b. 1854 Tex.)  
Burrell J. (b. 1856 Tex.)

Key Gresham-Blab, 3107 Lookout Lane, Austin TX 78746-1401 [keye@io.com]. Her 3g-grandmother was "Polly" Saunders who married Benjamin Perkins 16 Dec 1812 in Bedford Co., Penn. Perhaps her father was Col. James or David Saunders, but I have not been able to verify this.

Jeanne Jones, 407 North 7th, Sayre, OK 73662, is searching for any information on her g-g-grandparents, Washington LaFayette Sanders and Martha M. Wyatt who were married 3 Dec 1869 in Union Parish, La. Known are these children: Tom, John, Bethany, Jane, Fannie?, and Washington Lafayette, Jr. (b. 8 Mar 1872). Believe Tom was born in Louisiana before they moved to Texas. Tom lived near White Deer, Tex., about 1947 and one of the girls was believed to have married a Davenport and lived around Okemaha, Okla.

From D. L. Sanders, P. O. Box 105, Mobile, AL 36601, [DSand39689]. Searching for ancestors of Simeon Sanders (b. abt 1800, d. after 1880). In Clermont County, Ohio by 1820. Married Lucinda "Lucy" Robinson who was originally from the Lynchburg, Va. area. Simeon Sanders had several known brothers and possibly a sister. He was possibly the son of David and Hannah Sanders who were Clermont County, Ohio pioneers but disappeared from records there by 1830. Simeon Sanders states in various censuses that he was born in Virginia, Ohio and Pennsylvania. Will exchange all info with anyone with a possible connection.

From Patrick J. Anderson, 9654 Baltimore Avenue, Laurel, Maryland 20723-1818, [PatAnder73@aol.com]. I am collecting information on the family and descendants of William Sanders, (b. bef 1695 d: 1764) in Sussex Co., Va.; m. Eliza Anderson (b. bef 1690) bef 1711 in Prince George Co., Va.; living in Sussex Co., Va. in 1745.

### Children:

William Sanders (b. 1714); living 1765 in Sussex County, Va.; m. Huldah? (b. 1728)  
John Sanders; m. 1st—Mary?; Children:  
Mary Sanders, b. Nov. 3, 1756 in Sussex Co.  
William Sanders, b. Aug. 15, 1758 in Sussex Co.

Amy Sanders, b. Jul .7, 1762 in Sussex Co.  
Jeany Sanders, b. Dec. 22, 1765 in Sussex Co.

Patty Sanders, b. Nov. 23, 1767 in Sussex Co.  
Charlotte Sanders, b. Nov. 2, 1774 in Sussex Co.

John m. 2nd—Anna Curtis; Children:  
John Sanders, b. Feb. 22, 1765  
Thomas Sanders (can't prove he is a son); m. Anne ?; Children:  
Hubbard Sanders, b. Sep. 3, 1766

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Rev. David Pettee, 1214 Kains Ave., Berkeley, CA 94706 [DApettee@aol.com] is trying to trace Henry Saunders who was the father of Lydia Saunders who m. 9 Nov 1772 Israel Mathewson (buried in Woodstock, Conn.)

Leona Headley, 3310 W. Teel Rd., Sapulpa, OK 74066 [Leona.Headley@sbbs.gratisnet.com]. I know for a fact the Ezra B. Sanders (b. abt 1830 Tenn.) is my line. I found him first in 1850 in Clay Co., Ill. with his first wife Christeen. He was married three times: 1st 24 ? 1850 Christeen Wingate (b. abt 1832), 2nd 10 Aug 1869 Matilda A. Baker (b. abt 1841), and 3rd 30 Apr 1874 Louisa F. Surratt (b. abt 1835). I then found him again in Leceled Co., Mo. in 1870 with his second wife and with his daughter, my great great grandmother Martha (who married Thomas Overlin), then found him again in the same county with his third wife and their children. His son Albert was born 1860 and daughter Cordeda born 1863, both in Illinois. I believe his parents could be Simeon and Mary A. Sanders. They are living right next door to Ezra in Clay Co. 1850. The census indicated Simeon was born in N.C.

Tim Ciccone, 2125 Meadowfield Way, Charlottesville, VA 22911, [Cityhall75@aol.com] is looking for information on the ancestors of George E. Sanders, who married Mariah Scott on 14 Mar 1896. He was born in 1810 in Cumberland Co., Penn. and died in 1902 in Guernsey, Iowa. His wife was born in 1813 in Sicily, Maryland and died on 14 Mar 1896 in Guernsey, Iowa. They had a son named James Ewing Sanders who fought in the Civil War.

Keith Bean, 686 Rambleton Dr., Vacaville, CA 95688 [Kbean99999@aol.com] has this latest information. John Sanders, born about 1705 in N.C. He died on 14 Mar 1790 in N.C., I believe. He married Jane Chew or Chews, who died 1 Oct 1793. They had a daughter named Jemima. Jemima Sanders, born 8 Sep 1747, Guilford Co., N.C. She died 2 Oct 1831. She married John Baldwin, on 24 Oct 1776, I believe in Guilford Co., N.C. Thanks for any assistance you can provide me with on this new line.

Steven Yates, 1046 Taylorwood Circle, Tuscaloosa, AL 35405-5939, [YatesSteAL@aol.com]. My great-great-great-great grandmother, Rebecca Manuel Bamberg, let a Sherrod Sanders of Perry County, Alabama, be guardian of her children after her husband drowned around 1840. About 1850 he passed away and the county Sheriff was appointed guardian. Please respond if you have information. I want to know about his life and family.

Jacquilyn Fenn, 1491 Oak Trail Ct., Herndon, VA 20170-3664, [SKADVRS@aol.com] is looking for information on Sion Sanders (b. 16 Mar 1771 in Tenn.) who m. Mary Polly Tubb (b. 1778 in S.C.). Their children: Anderson Perry (b. 1818, d. 1902 in Ariz.) m. Margaret Louisa Lemond in 1844 in Miss. John (b. 1800 in S.C.) Celia (b. 1801 in Tenn.) Lucinda (b. 1803 in Tenn.) William (b. 1805 in Tenn.) Vinson (b. 1812 in Tenn.) Elizabeth (b. 1815 in Tenn.) Murrell T. (b. 1816 in Tenn.) Andrew Jackson (b. 1818) Sion (b. 18??) Mary Polly (b. 18??)

Some of the family has called Anderson Perry by the name of Alfred James.

James McGee, 4101 Ashgrove Way, Sacramento, CA 95826, [Mcgeeje@aol.com] is looking for anything helpful on Marie Saunders (b. 1706 in Switzerland) and husband Jacob Showalter.

Barbara Foster Peddicord, 17516 Redwood Hwy., Selma, OR 97538 is seeking information about a Sallie "Sarah" A. Sanders (b. Oct 1879) m. Thomas Walter Busbee on 15 Oct 1900 in Tate Co., Miss.

Helen Tracy [htracy@lisp.com.au] (in NSW, Australia) has this query: Ellen Saunders married Patrick Burke, probably in either Muckalee or Castlecomer in Co. Kilkenny, Ireland. Their son John Burke, born c1803, married Johanna Brennan (dtr. of Edward Brennan & Ellen Egan) born c1811. John & Johanna Burke came to Sydney, Aus. in 1853 with their children Patrick, Thomas, Edward, Michael, John & Johanna and settled near Carcoar, NSW.

### **Did Andrew A. Saunders Flee The Country After Shooting Neighbor's Horses?**

Donna Bolzendahl, P. O. Box 900021, Sandy, UT 84090 is looking for some facts to support her "family story."

Andrew Addison Saunders (b. 25 Apr 1855 in Taney Co., Mo. or ?Scotland) was m. to Finetta Almena Harding 4 Jul 1880 in Mills Co., Iowa. They had seven children: Lemuel Cornelius (1882 Neb.), James Thomas (1884 Neb.), Josephine Fannie (1885 Neb.), Charlotte Esther (1887 Kans.), Finnetta Olive (1888 Mo.), Surenda Frances (1891 Mo.), and Surepta (1891 Mo.).

A "story" tells of Andrew's shooting of neighbor's horses in Andrew's cornfield while living in Taney Co., Mo. He disappeared after shooting horses. Finetta assumed he had been murdered. The bank foreclosed on their property and Finetta moved to Nebraska. Another story was that Andrew said good bye to his children. An Andrew Addison Saunders was found in Doller, Scotland, in 1937. Did he flee to Scotland? Where did he come from and where did he go?

Finetta was the sister of my g-grandfather and she was born in England. ■

Delia Sanders Hord, 3919 Tall Pine Dr., Marietta, GA 30062-6132, [DHORD1948@aol.com]. I am looking for descendants of Thomas Sanders (1743-1812) and Claricy Rutland who lived in Orangeburg Co. near Robert's Swamp. Children: William (1769); Celia (1772); Blancet (1772); Allen (1773); Wilson (1774-1818), gggf m. Sarah Sanford 1794; John b. 1775 went to La.; and Cullen (1776) went to La.

Children of Wilson Sanders and Sarah Sanford: Nathaniel (1795-1833), m. Elizabeth Walker of Colleton Co., went to Fla.; Derrell Calhoun (1796), lived in Colleton; Benjamin, lived in Colleton Co.; Burrell, lived in Colleton Co. (State Rep. from Colleton, Beech Hill); Thomas Clark, lived in Colleton; Henry, migrated to Fla.; Rebecca; Mary; and Samuel Gilbert. I would appreciate any information on these families. ■

## About This Issue

Same story. Not enough room for some of the longer items in this issue. Queries received to date from subscribers have been included (except long ones). Queries from subscribers take precedence over non-subscribers.

Continue to send queries. Be sure to include enough material so that someone can properly identify the people to whom they may connect, but don't make queries *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 just for your service

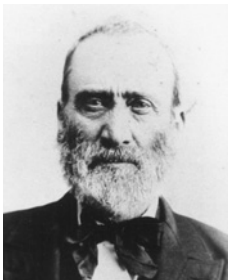
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Charles E. Carroll, 710 Alamo Road, Fredericksburg, TX 78624, is seeking information about his ancestor, Richard Saunders (b. abt 1730 in Pasquotank Co., N.C., d. bef Sep 1788, same co., m. Lovey Pendleton abt 1777)—their son, Miles Saunders (b. abt 1730 in Pasquotank Co., N.C., d. 3 Nov 1862 in Macon Co., N.C., m. Rachel Curtis abt 1799 in Randolph Co., N.C.)—their son, Curtis Saunders (b. 1801 in Randolph Co., N.C., d. bef Mar 1885 in Macon Co., N.C.) m. Sarah Moffitt in Burke Co., N.C. on 28 Dec 1822. ■

## Charles Burton Sanders Dies In 1898

This obituary for Charles Burton "Bert" Sanders who died Sept. 18, 1898 was received from Mark Strube, 4434 S. 112th E, Ave., Tulsa, OK 74146. This



Bert Sanders

appeared in the *Fayetteville [Ark.] Democrat*. See also a related article on pp.4-5 of issue no. 7 of *Siftings*.

*The Huntsville [Ark.] Democrat* announced the death of a prominent citizen, who was well known and had many friends in Washington county. It says: "Another of Huntsville's oldest and most highly respected citizens has quit the walks of life and joined the mighty hosts of the great beyond. Mr. C. B. Sanders died at his home in this city at 4 o'clock Sunday morning, the 18th. He has been in feeble health for several years, but had been confined to his bed for only a few weeks. "Uncle Bert"

Sanders, as he was more familiarly known, was born in Jackson county, Alabama, Sept. 14, 1826, and moved to this county with his parents when he was about four years old. They first settled at Drake's Creek and later on moved to Huntsville, which was then almost an uncleared forest. Here he lived until the famous year of '49 when he went to California to search for gold. He returned to Huntsville in 1852.

He went to California again in 1855, but remained only a few months. In 1884 he was elected treasurer of Madison county and served one term. In the death of Mr. Sanders Huntsville has sustained the loss of one of her best citizens, his family is bereaved of a devoted husband and kind-hearted father, and the Cumberland Presbyterian Church loses a prominent and generous member. Rev. Hogan conducted funeral services at the C. P. Church Monday morning at 10 o'clock, after which the remains were interred in the Huntsville cemetery under the auspices of the Masonic and Odd Fellow fraternities." ■

## There is a Sanders Page On the Web Now

Elaine Johnson of Rexburg, Idaho, has started a Sanders page on the World Wide Web. It's titled "Sanders Genealogy, anywhere and anytime" Try <http://www.ida.net/users/elaine/Sanders.htm> Some Sanders pages and other goodies are there, including a place to list your query. You can also get a connection to a Sanders family genealogy list, a place to receive and post queries by e-mail. Send message SUB SANDERS to [MAISER@rmgate.pop.indiana.edu] to get on that list.

If you have the computer hardware and knowhow, you need to do this. ■

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## Another Searcher Looking For A Joseph Saunders

Peggy Wilson, 4203 Summit Circle, Amarillo, TX 79109, [PWilson411@aol.com]. Joseph S. Saunders, born ca 1750 (where?), died in Rowan Co., N.C. in 1801. Extensive/exhaustive research has failed to identify the parents or wife of Joseph S. Saunders. He had three children put into guardianship after his death: 1) Sophia Saunders, m. Henry Linker Jr, 5 Sep 1813 in N.C., 2) Mary Saunders, 3) George Saunders, b. 1792 Cabarrus Co., N.C., d. 25 Sep 1864 Iredell Co., N.C., m. Margarett Goodman in 1824 in Cabarrus Co, N.C. They had four children : Joseph Wilson Saunders, b. 7 May 1826 Cabarrus Co., d. 26 Mar 1892 Iredell Co., m. Catherine Maria (Linker) Slough, in 1863 in Iredell Co. (b. 5 Jul 1832 in Cabarrus Co., and died 5 Jan 1896 in Iredell Co., daughter of Henry Jr. Linker and Sophia Saunders); Martin Saunders, b. 30 Dec 1827 Cabarrus Co., d. 1828 Cabarrus Co.; Sophia Lavina Saunders, b. 29 Jun 1829 Cabarrus Co., married (?) Madden.; Alfred Saunders, b. 1840 Iredell Co., d. 23 Apr 1863 Camp Grigg, Va. ■



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