

JACKSON COUNTY ALABAMA RECORDS

Volume 36

Christine Paradise Sumner Collection

WOOSLEY FAMILY

The Jackson County Woosleys descend from one Aaron Walden Woosley, Revolutionary soldier of Virginia.

Details and his Revolutionary War pension application appear in this Volume at the Scottsboro-Jackson County Heritage Center along with Bible records, and many details about this and allied families.

The DAR National No. of Christine Paradise Sumner under Aaron Woosley is 540030. You are welcome to use it.

Woosley

Aaron Woosley made original request for pension 15 September 1818. He said he enlisted January 1776. **According to Ancestry.com, He married Martha, "Patsy" Brag, June 11, 1786 in Pittsylvania County, Virginia. He died July 22, 1820, Bedford County, Tennessee.**

In his application he says he was disabled from a sword stab wound to his shoulder received in scouting party in the state of Georgia and "my wife aged 56 years."

He states he is 65 and a daughter Susanna, age 15 is able to take care of herself.

Aaron Woosley, State of Tennessee, county of Lincoln (6?) Judicial Court; enlisted Amelia County, Va., Infantry commanded by Capt. James Harris.

Enlisted for 3 years and served full term 1776 or 1777. Battles: Brandywine & Germantown & at Monmouth Courthouse. Discharged by Col. Bluford at Middlebrook, Pa. 1779 or 1780.

About two months after he was discharged he enlisted again in the regular service of the United States in Amelia County, Virginia in the company of horsemen commanded by Capt James Gun which composed a part of the Virginia Line command (then he fought in North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia and when he enlisted the 2<sup>nd</sup> time he served until the end of the war in 1782.

He was granted pension number 14,879. Was in the 15<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment horsemen the Continental Line establishment

He was approved for \$8 per month for 3 years as a private in the Virginia Continental Line.

Aaron was a Revolutionary soldier who later lived in Franklin County, Tennessee, but may have moved before his death.

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Thomas Woosley married Elizabeth Walter in 1752 in Buckingham, Halifax Co., Va.

Mary Fisk married William Alexander Woosley, ca 1817 in Pittsylvania Co., Va(?)

“mother of Martha B. Woosley Davidson and Mary Woosley. Died 31 March 1860

(source: Wiki Tree.com)

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Aaron Woosley S39134

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Transcribed by Will Graves

10/15/11

[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading fails to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 1786." Please call errors or omissions to my attention.]

State of Tennessee Lincoln County: 6 Judicial Circuit

This day personally appeared Aaron Woosley a revolutionary soldier before may Alfred M Harris one of the Circuit Judges of the Judges for the State aforesaid for the Circuit aforesaid who being first duly sworn, in pursuance of an act of the last session of Congress providing a pension for poor & indigent revolutionary soldiers, deposeseth & saith. That he is about sixty-five years of age from the best information he has of his age. That in the year 1776 or 1777 in October he enlisted in the regular service of the United [States] in Amelia County State of Virginia, in a company of Infantry commanded by Captain James Harris, & afterwards he was attached to the company commanded by Captain \_\_ Wells. That he enlisted for three years & served the full term of his enlistment in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Bluford [probably Abraham Buford], which composed a part of the Virginia line of Continental troops commanded by General Woodford. That after he enlisted & during the term of his service he was engaged in behalf of the United States against the Common enemy in the battles of Brandywine & Germantown & at Monmouth Court house. That he served out faithfully the full term of his enlistment and was discharged by Colonel Bluford at Middlebrook in Pennsylvania in the year 1779 or 1780 in the fall of the year. That he this discharge he is now unable to produce, having lost it by accident or through the lapse of time is destroyed. That about the two months after he was discharged he again enlisted in the regular service of the United States in Amelia County Virginia in the company of horsemen commanded by Captain James Gun which belonged to the first Virginia light horse commanded by Colonel White, which composed a part of the Virginia line commanded, as this affiant believes, for a time, by General Stephens [Edward Stevens], who was the commander of the horse and afterwards taken to the South under the command of General Wayne & then commanded by General Greene in the states of North Carolina, South Carolina & Georgia. That when he enlisted the second time, he enlisted during the war & continued to serve faithfully against the common enemy in the South until the conclusion of peace in 1782 when he was regularly discharge by Colonel White in Charlestown in the State of South Carolina on the 5th day of July: That during the time he served in Georgia he received a severe wound in the shoulder by a sword, when in a skirmish with the British & Tories about five miles off above Savannah. This affiant further states that he is in reduced circumstances & stands in need of the assistance of his Country and unless he receives the bounty Government, he well ire long be unable to procure or even the common comforts & necessities of life. He further states that he never has received a pension from the United States for any cause whatever & he hereby renounces & releases his right percent claim to all pensions from the US except the one now requested for the services mentioned in this affidavit. This affiant further states that he is unable to prove these facts stated in this affidavit by any person now living within the limits of



this state, nor does he know certainly of any person now living within the United States by whom he could prove it. He is a citizen of the United States of America and resident in the County of Lincoln and State of Tennessee. He prays to be placed on the pension list agreeably to act of Congress &c

25th of September 1818

subscribed & sworn to before me this 25th of September 1818

S/ Alfred M Harris, Judge &c

S/ Aaron Woosley, X his mark

State of Tennessee Lincoln County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions – July Term 1820

On this 22nd day of July 1820 personally appeared in open Court being a court of record prescribed by statute and of unlimited civil jurisdiction on the law side of said Court, for the County aforesaid Aaron Woosley about sixty-seven years of age on the 11th day of February 1821 [could be 1820] resident in said County who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, declare that he served in the revolutionary war, as follows, to wit, that he enlisted in January 1776 in Captain James Harris Company for three years of the 15th Virginia Regiment in the Continental establishment commanded by Colonel Beauford & was discharged in January 1779, he again enlisted in June 1780 during the war in Captain James Gun's troop of horse of the first Virginia Regiment horse in the Continental establishment commanded by Colonel White and he was discharged by Captain Hughes at the close of the war in Charlestown South Carolina on the 5th day of July 1782 he was in the battles of Brandywine, Germantown & Monmouth and I do solemnly swear that I have been placed on the pension list roll of West Tennessee agency being number 14,879 and that I made my original declaration for a pension on the 15th day of September 1818 and that I have no particular trade or profession & my family consists of myself who are considerably disabled, by reason of a wound in the right shoulder by a sword received in scouting party in the State of Georgia and my wife aged 56 years, very feeble & unhealthy and one daughter named Susanna aged 15 years, able to support herself, and I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed

S/ Aaron Woosley, X his mark

one old horse, one old saddle, one old bridle, six head of cattle being two cows and three yearlings one calf, eleven head of hogs, to wit, one sow, five shoats & five pigs, one plow, to pain [sic] drawing chains, two hoes, one iron wedge, one ax, one pewter dish, six pewter plates, six delph plates, five cups & saucers, six knives & forks, one washing tub, one pale, one piggin & one table.

A true schedule of all my property my wearing close & bedding & the necessary wearing close and bedding of my family excepted.

S/ Aaron Woosley, X his mark

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing September 25, 1818, for 3 years service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]

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No 2667 Do Certify that John representatives of Daniel Tompkins is entitled to the proportion of Land allowed a Lieutenant of the Continental Line for three years service.

Benjamin Harrison

Thomas Mifflin

Daniel Tompkins

A warrant for 1000 and the other 2667 Acres Issued to James Tompkins  
Council Chamber 24 January 1784.

No 2668 Do Certify that Daniel Ball is entitled to the proportion of Land allowed a Subaltern of the Continental Line for three years service.

Benjamin Harrison

Thomas Mifflin

A warrant for 2667 Acres Issued to Daniel Ball 24 March 1784

Council Chamber 24 March 1784.

No 2669 Do Certify that Thomas Wooley is entitled to the proportion of Land allowed a Private of the Continental Line who enlisted for the war and has served to the end thereof.

Benjamin Harrison

Thomas Mifflin

A warrant for 200 Acres Issued to Thomas Wooley 24 March 1784

Council Chamber 24 March 1784

Aaron Wooley,  
Rev. Sol. died  
in Lincoln Co.  
I fear. He was  
the ancestor of  
the Jackson Co.  
Alabama  
Wooleys

No 2670 Do Certify that Aaron Wooley is entitled to the proportion of Land allowed a Private of the Continental Line who enlisted for the war and has served to the end thereof.

Benjamin Harrison

Thomas Mifflin

A warrant for 200 Acres Issued to Francis Gaven age 21 of Aaron Wooley

Council Chamber 24 January 1784.

DAR NAT. No 2671  
540030  
Istine Paradise Sumner  
from  
Christie Sumner  
2108 Meadow Island Rd  
Scottsboro, AL

No 2671 Do Certify that William Reynolds age 21 of Sara Wooley is entitled to the proportion of Land allowed a Private of the Continental Line who has served to the end thereof.

Benjamin Harrison

Thomas Mifflin

A warrant for 200 Acres Issued to William Reynolds 24 January 1784

NAME Moorey, Carson GRADE Private LINE Virginia

WARRANT NUMBER 12668 ACREAGE 100 ISSUED July 14, 1911  
Robert Mearns

The information concerning the issuance of warrants recorded on this form is found in volumes 2 to 4 of "Land Warrants Issued Prior to 1800 registers of bounty land warrants issued to non-commissioned officers and privates under congressional resolutions of September 30, 1776, and November 11, 1789." Other records relating to the applications for warrants appear to have been destroyed in the War Department fire of November 15, 1918. Information concerning warrants surrendered to the Federal Government is to be found in General Land Office records in The National Archives.











... the oldest child and ...  
... Jens ...  
... Rasmus ...

... Hans Adolph Thomsen in Aby and ...  
... October 22, 1860 ...  
... Frederikke on February 18, 1862 ...  
... we learn that ...  
... confirmed the same day by P. C. ...  
... baptized and ...  
... became active members of the Aby Branch.

... the family decided to come to America and join the Saints in Zion, so Karen ...  
... children left everything they knew to start a new ...  
... states that: on the 30th ...  
... growth ...  
... under the direction of Hans Peter Lund ...  
... ended in New York the 15th of June and then ...

... the group ...  
... Nebraska. They left from Council Bluffs ...  
... the Salt Lake Valley. The other children ...  
... fretted when their mother was out of ...  
... between the wagon ...  
... and was buried on ...  
... a few wildflowers to ...  
... the hill ...

... Saturday, September 5, 1863 and on the ...  
... was buried, close ...  
... on June 12, ...  
... her sister and ...  
... daughter, ...  
... born on January 28, 1866 in Spring City, Santee County, ...

... how they had ...



... and ...

Two more daughters and three sons were soon born to Hans and Karen ...

... and ...

... and ...

... and ...

... and ...



... and ...

... and ...

... and ...



...settled down in Utah and things were going pretty good. Just the following year in April of 1881 at General Conference, Hans was called to go and settle in St. John's Arizona. Karen I am sure probably wasn't ready or wanting to make another move to an even a more dangerous area of America, but she packed up their belongings and went anyway. So in September of 1881 the family left Utah and headed for Arizona, arriving in St. John's in November.

The area was a pretty desolate area as they thought they would be, but water was plentiful. Hans and their animals would get run off quite frequently by the Indians. I am sure Karen was ready to go back to Utah and her snug little home in Spring City, but instead Hans was called to go and settle in the Mormon Colonies in Mexico just 4 years later. Hans went down first and found them a place and then came back for Karen and their children. Once again Karen packed up their few belongings and loaded their wagons and this time headed for the Mexico. I am sure Karen had kept a journal so I could have known her story. I am sure she did not survive.

...settled in the area and Hans was able to find the family a place to settle. Hans was able to form a ranch known as the Pratt Ranch which was located in Chave Valley in Guanajuato, Mexico. From what I have heard and been told, it was a pretty desolate area. I can't even imagine how scared Karen must have been. Their older children were starting to get married and so most of them stayed back in St. John's or were still up in Utah, though some of them did come to Mexico for a short time. The only ones really left to go down were Karen, Hans, their two youngest sons Hyrum and Peter and their daughter Anna. Anna's mother had died in childbirth when Anna was born and so Karen had taken her to raise.

Hans farmed and had a few cattle and as was the custom the men would come and help each other plant their crops in the spring and harvest their crops in the fall. Karen cooked for her family and any of the men who would be there to help with the planting and harvesting, etc. Karen would put up vegetables, make bread, and do many other chores a farmer and ranchers wife would be expected to do. I am sure how lonely she must have gotten out there all by herself. I am sure she would have had to keep her company other than her little granddaughters. I know that at least once and maybe twice she was able to go back up to Utah to visit with some of her family that lived up there.

Most of the Indians in the area were Apache and the majority of them in the states had been put on reservations, but every now and again some would sneak away and go roving down in Mexico or hit a lonely ranch that the Indians knew no one would know about for some time. If they were to attack it. As most of you know the Apache were a blood thirsty lot and didn't really care who they killed or injured. All of these things Karen would have known about and worried about.

# HOLY BIBLE

## *Old and New Testaments*

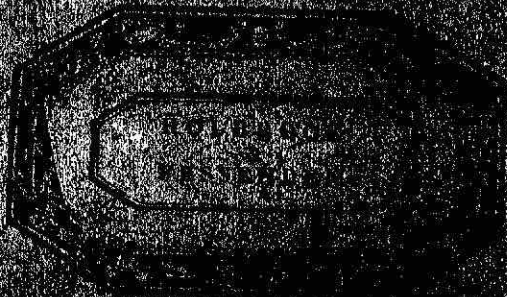
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INTO ENGLISH BY THOMAS MATTHEW

WITH MARGINAL NOTES AND EXPLANATIONS

BY JOHN CALVIN

AND AN INDEX





MARRIAGES

William Howley was  
born September the  
2<sup>nd</sup> A D 1792

Polly Hoosley was  
born the 25<sup>th</sup> of Oct,  
A D 1750

William H. Hoosley  
and Maria Cowan  
was married  
13<sup>th</sup> of Oct 1878

William & Polly  
Hoosley was married  
the 10<sup>th</sup> of July 1817







FAMILY RECORD.

BIRTHS.

DEATHS.

William George Woolley  
 was born January 20 1877  
 Mary Ann Woolley was born  
 March 28 1881  
 Sarah E. Woolley was  
 born the 29 of July 1885

Brice, M. Woolley was  
 born June the 20 1889

Emma May Woolley  
 was born August 15 1891

Mary Ann Woolley  
 was born August 10 1901

Ollie Bessie Woolley  
 was born Nov. 10 1904

Gallie Mattie Woolley  
 was born Jan. 8 1907

Willie B. Woolley  
 was born July 18 1909

# STATES OF AMERICA.

As its shall come, Greeting:

of Thomas Woolley, \_\_\_\_\_  
the Register of the Land Office at Rebannon, \_\_\_\_\_ whereby it appears

\_\_\_\_\_ according  
ing further provision for the sale of the Public Lands," for the East half of the  
in Fractional Township Six, of Gangejine  
to be sold at Rebannon, Alabama, con-  
sisting of two hundredths of an acre, \_\_\_\_\_

Office by the **SURVEYOR GENERAL**, which said tract has been purchased by the said

**NOW KNOW YE**, That the

several acts of Congress, in such case made and provided, **HAVE GIVEN AND GRANTED**,

Full Power,  
together with all the rights, privileges, immunities, and appurtenances of whatsoever nature,  
\_\_\_\_\_ and to his heirs and assigns forever.

**WITNESSETH** WHEREOF, I, James K. Polk,

do hereby make **PATENT**, and the **SEAL** of the **GENERAL LAND OFFICE** to be hereunto affixed.

IN, the first day of May in the year of our Lord one  
and of the **INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES** the Sixty Ninth.

**President:** James K. Polk

By James Wacker Sec'y.

S. H. Laughlin, **RECORDER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE.**



CERTIFICATE

No. 7898

# THE UNITED STATES

To all to whom these presents shall come

Whereas *William F. Windsor*, assignee of *Thomas Woolley*, has deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE of the United States, a Certificate of the that full payment has been made by the said *Thomas Woolley*, to the provisions of the act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An Act making

*North East quarter of Section thirty one, East, in the District of lands subject containing Eighty acres, and two to two*

according to the official plat of the survey of the said Lands, returned to the General Land Office *Thomas Woolley*,

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, in consideration of the Premises, and in conformity with the general and by these presents DO GIVE AND GRANT, unto the said *William F. Windsor* and to *his* heirs, the said tract above described: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same, together therewith, unto the said *William F. Windsor*.

IN TESTIMONY

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these letters to be

GIVEN under my hand at the CITY OF WASHINGTON, the thousand eight hundred and *forty five* and

By the President

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# I Dig My Roots and Branches



G+ Vickie Thompson

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Hi, My name is Vickie and to tell you a little bit about myself, I was born and raised in Kentucky and the majority of my ancestors have been in Kentucky since the 1790's. I have always loved history, a good mystery and puzzles and that is what Family History Research is all about. As a child we would take day trips on Saturdays and head down some dirt road looking for old cemeteries. A lot of the time we weren't looking for anyone in particular, we just like to read the epitaphs. We would have a picnic lunch packed and have lunch at whatever cemetery we were at. If the weather was bad my Dad and I would go to a court house and dig through old records in musty old basements looking for our ancestors. So as you can see I have had an interest in Family History for quite some time. View my complete profile

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## Moses Woosley

Moses Woosley was my 4<sup>th</sup> great-grandfather on my Dad's side of the family through his mother Jessie Doss, better known to most of my family as Mama Jessie. Moses was born in 1758 in Buckingham County, Virginia the son of Thomas Woosley and Elizabeth Waters. I only know the year of his birth, not the month and day unfortunately. I also don't know a lot about his childhood, but I do know that he came from a very large family. Moses was number 4 of the 15 children born to Thomas and Elizabeth and also the 4<sup>th</sup> of 14 sons born to them and finally a daughter who was the 15<sup>th</sup> child. Can you image having 15 children and all boys but one. I have 5 grandsons and you would think there were ten times that many when they all get going, 14 boys is just mind boggling to say the least. None of these 15 children died young either, which is an amazing feat back in those days when infant mortality was so high.

This families surname has been spelled many different ways over the years and a lot of the family that left Virginia and went to Ohio tended to spell it Owsley, Ousley or Oosley. There is an Owsley family in Kentucky that is a completely different line from our Woosley/Owsley/Ousley/Oosley family though, so you have to make sure you aren't following one of them. Also a lot of people have thought that the Woolsey family is the same family, but from my research I do not believe that is true. Some have tried to link our family back to Cardinal Woolsey of England, but I just don't think that can be our line from what research I have done. Most people that do try to connect us to Cardinal Woolsey of England, do not have any documentation to go with their theories, so until I can find something myself, I am not linking our lines to him.

Moses' siblings were the following: Aaron Walden Woosley 1753-1831 in Bedford County, Tennessee; Joshua Woosley 1755 - ? , William Woosley 1757-1838 in Davidson County, North Carolina; Thomas Woosley, Jr. 1760-1856 in Christian County, Kentucky; John Owsley 1762 - after 1811 possibly in Ohio; Benjamin Woosley 1764-1841 in Tazewell County, Virginia; Samuel Woosley 1765-1844 in Grayson County, Kentucky; Marion Woosley 1768 - ? , David Woosley 1770-1852 in Grayson County, Kentucky; Nathan Woosley 1770-1856 in Crawford County, Arkansas; Elisha Woosley 1772 - ? , Elijah Woosley 1774-1859 in Bedford County, Tennessee; James Woosley 1778-1847 in Clark County, Ohio; and the only daughter, Elizabeth Woosley 1780 - before 1850 in Clark County, Ohio.

Another amazing fact about this family is that Moses, his father, Thomas and six or seven of his brothers, Aaron, Joshua, William, Thomas Jr., Benjamin,

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# Elizabeth Woosley Renfrow

Birth: Dec 13, 1826  
Death: May 7, 1909

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Elizabeth Ann Woosley Renfrow, her dad, Colonel Samuel Woosley, his dad, Samuel David Woosley, his dad, THOMAS WOOSLEY, served with 7 of his sons in the Continental Army, under George Washington, in the 11th or 15th Va. Reg.

Thomas Woosley (son of Richard Wayne Woosley) was born 1730 in Buckingham, Halifax, and died 1794 in Buckingham, Halifax. He married Elizabeth Walters on 1752 in Buckingham, Halifax, Virginia, daughter of Aaron Walters. More About Thomas Woosley

Date born 2: 1719, Buckingham, Halifax, Virginia, USA 473 Date born 3: Date born 4: 1732

Died 2: 1796, Halifax, Virginia, USA 474 Died 3: 1796, Halifax, Virginia, USA 475

More About Thomas Woosley and Elizabeth Walters

Marriage: 1752, Buckingham, Halifax, Virginia, USA 475

Children of Thomas Woosley and Elizabeth Walters are

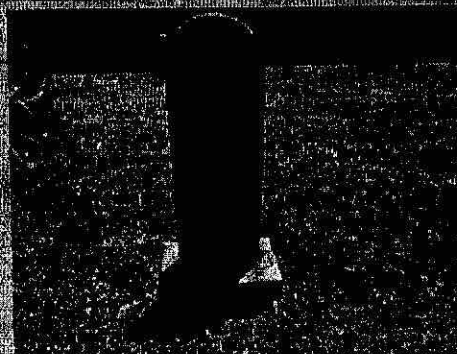
Susie Ida Woosley, b: 1746, Halifax, Virginia, d: date unknown

David Woosley, b: 1748, Buckingham, Virginia, d: 14 Jul 1852, Southwell, Kentucky

Aaron Woosley, b: 14 Feb 1753, Buckingham, Halifax, Virginia, d: 1 Jul 1831, Bedford, Tennessee

John Woosley, b: 06 Nov 1757, Buckingham, Halifax, Virginia, d: 19 Dec 1845, Clairborne, Tennessee

William Woosley, b: 06 Nov 1757, Buckingham, Halifax, Virginia, d: 28 Jul 1838, Davidson, North Carolina



Added by: JREED



Cemetery Photo

Added by: BONNIE & GLYDE DEWEESE

MY GREAT-GREAT GRANDMA  
ELIZABETH  
- BONNIE & GLYDE DEWEESE

Added by: BONNIE & GLYDE DEWEESE



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d: date unknown

Benjamin Woosley, b: 1764, Buckingham, Virginia, d: 01 Oct 1841, Hazewell, Virginia

James Woosley, b: 1768, Buckingham, Halifax, Virginia, d: 1790, Dallas, Dallas, Texas, U

David Woosley, b: 25 Oct 1770, Buckingham, Halifax, Virginia, d: 14 Jul 1852, Grayson, Kentucky

Ellen Woosley, b: 1773, Halifax, Virginia, d: 1859, Shelbyville, Bedford, Tennessee, USA 482

Samuel Woosley, b: 18 Jul 1775, Halifax



Virginia, d. 25 Nov 1844, Edmonson,  
Kentucky.  
Elisha Woosley, b. 1777, Buckingham, Halifax,  
Virginia, d. date unknown.  
Joshua Woosley, b. 1779, Buckingham, Halifax,  
Virginia, Sources:html>, d. 1853, Hart,  
Kentucky.  
Nathan Woosley, b. 1780, Buckingham, Halifax,  
Virginia, d. 1855, Madison, Missouri, U.  
Susan Elizabeth Woosley, b. 1782,  
Buckingham, Halifax, Virginia, P. d. 20 Jan  
1844, Ball, Sandamon,  
Illinois.

Thomas will  
Apr. 24, 1715  
I give and bequeath unto my eldest son  
Thomas Woosley one fire lock fowling piece.  
Son John Woosley one pair lock muscullit  
daughter Mary Cherry one ewe daughter Ann  
Woosley one ewe daughter Mawdin Woosley  
one ewe Loying wife Mary Woosley all  
personal & real estate and anything else that  
he owns that is not mentioned in his will. wife  
Mary sole executrix signed (in his own writing)  
Thomas Woosley \*\*\*\*\*Thomas  
Woosley, Revolutionary War Patriot  
25 Sep 1992, Sinking Fork, Christian County,  
Kentucky

The following is an excerpt taken from the  
program of 26 Sep 1992 in which a  
Revolutionary War marker was dedicated at  
the grave site of Revolutionary War Veteran  
Thomas Woosley. Compatriots from the John  
Manire Chapter of the Kentucky Society, Sons  
of the American Revolution officiating. The  
grave is located on the Caleb McGowan farm  
on KY Highway 1926, 2 miles from Sinking  
Fork Community, Christian County, Kentucky.  
Thomas Woosley (1760-1856)

Thomas Woosley was born 2 June 1760 in  
Buckingham County, Virginia. Thomas was  
living in Amelia County, Virginia when he  
joined the Revolutionary War in March 1777.  
He enlisted in the 1st Light Dragoons, Captain  
John Hughes' Company, Virginia Continental  
Line, commanded by Colonel Anthony Walton  
White. He served as a private until the end of  
the Revolutionary War receiving his discharge  
from General Benjamin Lincoln in the Fall of  
1783.

Legend indicates that the father (Moses) and  
seven of his sons served in the Revolutionary  
War. Thomas and three of his brothers  
received war pensions: Moses, Aaron and  
David. Four of the fourteen brothers came to  
Kentucky: Joshua moved to Hart County, David  
and Samuel to Edmonson County, and Thomas  
to Christian County. Aaron moved to Giles  
County, Tennessee and William to North  
Carolina.

Thomas Woosley married Dinah Tribble,  
daughter of Peter Tribble, in Halifax County.



Virginia, 18 April 1796. She was born in  
August 1762. They had four children: Thomas  
B. Moses, Susan (Woosley) Jones and B.  
(Burrell).

Thomas was on the Christian County, Kentucky  
tax rolls in 1800. He lived near Cardlean  
Springs which was formed into Trigg County  
from Christian County in 1820. In 1820 he  
moved from Trigg County to the Sinking Fork  
community in Christian County. Thomas' older  
brother Moses died in Halifax County, Va.  
However, two of Moses' sons, James T. Sr. and  
Samuel S. came to the Sinking Fork  
community after Thomas.

Thomas' first wife, Dinah Tribble died 2 Aug.  
1839. Thomas then married Jane S. Covington,  
widow of William Covington, 28 Jan 1842 in  
Christian County. Thomas died 12 May 1856.  
Jane S. Woosley died 27 Feb 1868. Thomas is  
buried with his first wife Dinah, son Moses, and  
daughter-in-law Elizabeth (Jones) Woosley on  
what was known for years as the Moses  
Woosley farm. This farm was next to the farm  
of Thomas' nephew Samuel S. Woosley.  
As far as it is known, Thomas Woosley was the  
last Revolutionary War soldier to die in  
Christian County. His name is on the  
Revolutionary War soldiers' memorial tablets in  
East Cadiz Cemetery, Cadiz, Trigg County,  
Kentucky and Riverside Cemetery,  
Hopkinsville, Christian County, Kentucky. There  
are no known direct descendants of Thomas  
living in Christian County. Research is still  
being done on Thomas and his family.

\*\*\* \* \* \* \* By Bonnie & Clyde Dewese

#### Family Links

##### Parents:

Samuel Woosley (1802 - 1865)  
Rebecca Blakely Woosley (1808 - 1890)

##### Spouse:

George Washington Renfrow (1827 - 1892)

##### Children:

Mary Jane Howell (1852 - 1913)\*  
Mark Renfrow (1854 - 1954)\*  
William Thoman Renfrow (1858 - 1914)\*  
Starrind Columbus Renfrow (1861 - 1922)\*  
James C. Renfrow (1865 - 1886)\*  
George Washington Renfrow (1869 - 1916)\*

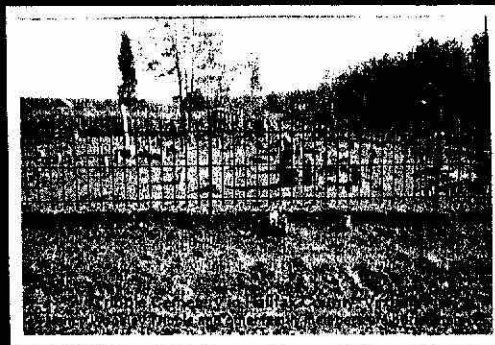
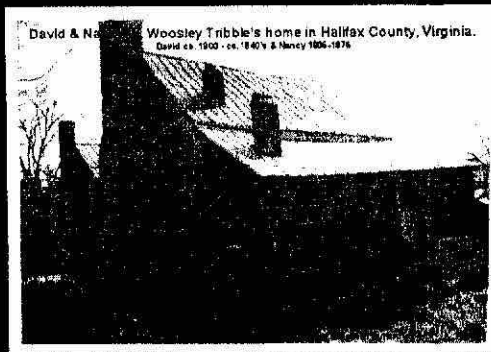
##### Siblings:

Elizabeth Woosley Renfrow (1824 - 1906)\*  
Phebe Woosley Woosley (1830 - 1915)\*  
Curtis Blakely Woosley (1833 - 1906)\*  
Pheba Woosley Woosley (1835 - 1915)\*  
George Washington Woosley (1836 - 1889)\*  
Samuel M. Woosley (1838 - 1905)\*  
Thomas Jefferson Woosley (1840 - 1916)\*  
Matilda Jane Woosley Huff (1844 - 1912)\*

& Isaac for \$535.00; also on January 8, 1835 - \$47.00 in cash; on October 21, 1835 - \$200.00 cash; total \$782.00. To James T. Woosley = September 18, 1829 - cash \$97.00, January 3, 1835 - one negro man named Isham \$600.00; January 8, 1835 - \$33.00 cash; total \$730.00. To Johnson M. Hancock & Elizabeth his wife formerly Woosley = January 3, 1835 - one negro woman named Keziah \$475.00; December 1, 1837 - cash \$50.00; December 9, 1838 - cash \$50.00; total \$575.00. To David Tribble & Nancy his wife formerly Woosley = January 3, 1835 - 2 negroes Fanny & Hiram \$600.00; January 8, 1835 - cash \$70.00; total \$670.00. Martin Woosley has (cannot read rest)."

I have found Moses on the 1820, 1830 and 1840 census records in Halifax County, Virginia. I don't know exactly when his wife Elizabeth died, but I do know it was before the 1840 census was taken and that Moses passed away in September of 1843. They are both apparently buried in unmarked graves and I don't even know the name of the cemetery but I think it could be the Tribble Cemetery where his daughter Nancy and son-in-law David Tribble are buried in Halifax County. The reason I believe this might be true is because in Moses' will he states the following: "I Moses Woosley leaves and wills all my property to David Tribble, my son-in-law, for the sum total of \$1.00. David is to manage the estate and care to the needs of said Moses, and on his death pay any of his outstanding debts."

The following is a picture of the home of David & Nancy Woosley Tribble and it could be possible that Moses Woosley lived here before he died. The next picture is of the Tribble Cemetery where Moses and his wife Elizabeth could possibly be buried.



I am so proud of my Woosley family who were part of the growing country of America, having come to these shores at least by the 1680's into the Virginia colonies. I wish so much that I knew exactly where Moses Woosley was buried, because their definitely needs to be something to mark the grave of a soldier that helped win American Independence.

Posted by Vickie Thompson at Saturday, February 26, 2015

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Samuel and possibly Marion were all supposed to have served in the Revolutionary War. I know Moses did for certain as well as Aaron, William and Thomas Jr., but so far I cannot find the others listed as serving, though they are a perfect age to have done so. Mama Jessie always said that her mother, Nancy Lougena Woosley Doss, talked about Moses and his brothers and his father as having served in the Revolution and how proud she was to have come from such fine stock.

We do have every reason to be proud of Moses and the service he gave during the Revolutionary War though. I have a copy of his pension file which states that he joined up in December of 1776 in Amelia County, Virginia and served for three years. He was put in Colonel Mason's company and the whole company was inoculated with the small pox and after everyone became well, they marched through Alexandria and Georgetown, then on to Baltimore and Philadelphia and from there to the White Plains of New York.

At White Plains they joined up with General, George Washington and Moses was at the battles of Germantown, Stony Point, Camden and Yorktown. What I have always loved though was the fact that Moses was at Valley Forge during that terrible winter with General, George Washington and was present at the surrender of Cornwallis. Moses saw so many of the defining moments of the Revolutionary War, what a proud heritage we can claim from the service of Moses and also of his brothers and possibly his father as well.

After the war Moses returned to his occupation as a farmer and soon was married. Something that wasn't that common especially in the southern states was the fact that Moses and most of his brothers did not get married until they were over 25 years old and Moses was 31 before he got married, even his sister was 24 before she got married. On May 7, 1789 in Amelia County, Virginia Moses married Elizabeth Butler, daughter of William Butler and Rhoda Ann Thomas of Dinwiddie County, Virginia. They became the parents of eight children.

Those eight children were: Sally Butler Woosley 1790 - before 1844; Rhoda Walters Woosley 1792 - before 1838; Moses Martin Woosley 1793-1815; Holman H. Woosley 1796-1856; Samuel S. Woosley 1800-1875 (my ancestor); Elizabeth F. Woosley 1803 - before 1843; Nancy Warfield Woosley 1805-1876 and James Thomas Woosley 1807 - before 1880.

By 1790 or so Moses and his family had moved over into Halifax County, Virginia and he and his wife and five of their eight children continue to live there until their deaths. My direct line Samuel S. Woosley and two of his siblings, Rhoda Walters Woosley Perkins and James Thomas Woosley and their families moved to Christian County, Kentucky and settled near the Sinking Fork Community in the early 1830's.

Moses became a plantation owner with around 564 acres of land and also up to 20 slaves at one time or another in Halifax County, Virginia. I know some of his land he received as bounty land for his service during the Revolutionary War. From an old record my Dad, Frank Beard, found many years ago we read the following: "The following is from a copy of the original financial records of Moses Woosley, but does not say where it came from. A Record of Advancements made by Moses Woosley to his children in his lifetime. To William Keeling & Sally his wife formerly Woosley = 1 carryall \$45.00 June 14 - cash for receipt \$100.00 total \$145.00. To John Perkins & wife his Rhody formerly Woosley = May 11, 1828 - cash for receipt \$100.00 January 8, 1835, cash \$30.00 & house \$35.00; January 8, 1835, 1 negro woman, Judith & 2 children Lee & Harold \$600.00; total \$765.00. To Holeman Woosley = January 3, 1835 - 2 negroes, Morgan & John \$750.00, January 8, 1835 - \$100.00 cash; total \$850.00. To Samuel S. Woosley = January 3, 1835 - 2 negroes, Joshua

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## The Ancestors of Vickie Beard Thompson

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**Villiam WOOSLEY Sr. [Parents]** was born on 6 Nov 1757 in , Buckingham, Virginia. He died on 28 Jul 1838 in , Davidson, North Carolina. He married Susannah TRIBBLE about 1778 in , Halifax, Virginia.

### [Notes]

**Susannah TRIBBLE** was born about 1760 in , Halifax, Virginia. She died before 1825 in , Davidson, North Carolina. She married William WOOSLEY Sr. about 1778 in , Halifax, Virginia.

They had the following children:

- M i **Peter WOOSLEY** was born about 1779 in , Halifax, Virginia. He died before 1838 in of, Davidson, North Carolina.
  - M ii **Thomas WOOSLEY**
  - M iii **William WOOSLEY Jr.** was born about 1787 in , Halifax, Virginia. He died in Aug 1866 in Friedberg, Davidson, North Carolina. [Notes]
  - F iv **Elizabeth WOOSLEY**
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**Nathan WOOSLEY [Parents]** was born on 25 Oct 1770 in , Halifax, Virginia. He died in 1855 in , Jackson, Missouri. He married Sarah KEESEE on 28 Sep 1795 in , Pittsylvania, Virginia.

### [Notes]

**Sarah KEESEE [Parents]** "Sally" was born about 1779 in , Pittsylvania, Virginia. She died in 1843 in , Jackson, Missouri. She married Nathan WOOSLEY on 28 Sep 1795 in , Pittsylvania, Virginia.

### [Notes]

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- M i **John WOOSLEY** was born about 1796 in , Pittsylvania, Virginia. [Notes]
  - F ii **Susanna WOOSLEY**
  - M iii **Joshua WOOSLEY**
  - F iv **Dorcas WOOSLEY**
  - M v **Major James WOOSLEY**
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**Aaron Walden WOOSLEY Sr. [Parents]** was born on 11 Feb 1753 in , Buckingham, Virginia. He died in Jul 1831 in , Bedford, Tennessee. He was buried in Jul 1831 in Hastings Cem, Bedford, Tennessee. He married Sally Howard WICKLIFFE about 1775 in of, Halifax, Virginia.

Other marriages:

**BRAY, Martha Decrepit**

### [Notes]

year 1855. His wife's maiden name was Sarah KEESEE. She was born in Pittsylvania County, Virginia in the year 1771, and died in the state of Missouri in the year 1843.

### Sarah KEESEE

She is mentioned in her father's Will.

She is in the 60 to 70 age bracket in 1840, which would put her year of birth between 1770 and 1780.

### John WOOSLEY

He fought in the War of 1812 with his father in Tennessee.

### Aaron Walden WOOSLEY Sr.

HISTORY: Revolutionary War Veteran, from Wiliford-Williford Family History. He was said to have been injured by a sword cutting his shoulder which left him crippled. Supposedly he was protecting General Washington from attack. He settled in Tennessee after the War of 1812. He enlisted in Amelia County, Virginia in 1776 and served two terms and was released 5 July 1783. He was in Lincoln County, Tennessee by 1818, where he filed for a pension.

CENSUS RECORDS: 1830 Bedford County, Tennessee  
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### Martha Decepreit BRAY

She was 56 years old in 1820 and in feeble health according to her husbands pension record.



## The Ancestors of Vickie Beard Thompson

### Notes

#### William WOOSLEY Sr.

**MILITARY RECORDS:** Revolutionary War Veteran, from Wiliford-Williford Family History. He settled in North Carolina after the war. He enlisted 10 Feb 1777. He applied for a pension in 1819 in Rowan County, North Carolina. In 1824, he said that he was 67 years old and that he only had two living children, but he had a son Thomas who didn't die until about 1864 or 1865 in Clark County, Kentucky. Maybe he thought Thomas was dead he probably hadn't heard from him since he left. In 1825 he was supported by a son who had a family of five. William stated that both families were very poor. William was living with his son William Woosley age 39 years in 1825. His other child was Elizabeth White age 33 years in 1825. William was a tailor. He fought at the battles of Brandywine and York. Pension #S42080 from Virginia.

Records of the Moravians in North Carolina, Vol. IX, 1838-1847, death of William Woosley.

#### William WOOSLEY Jr.

His father William Sr. was living with him and his family in 1825.

#### Nathan WOOSLEY

**MILITARY RECORDS:** War of 1812 ---- 1 Regiment of Hall's Tennessee Volunteers, WOOSLEY, Nathan ---- went in as a Sergeant and was discharged as a Private.

**BRIEF HISTORY:** This regiment was also designated as the First Regiment of East Tennessee Drafted Militia. The unit was part of General George Doherty's brigade, along with Colonel Samuel Bunch's Second Regiment. Doherty's brigade participated in the Battle of Horseshoe Bend (27 March 1814) where they were part of the right line of attack on the Creek fortifications. There were casualties in many of the companies, especially in those of Captains Everett, King, Loughmiller, and Winsell. The Nashville Clarion of 10 May 1814 has a complete listing of the dead and wounded from this climactic battle of the Creek War. The principal rendezvous point for this regiment was Knoxville. From there they traveled to Ross' Landing (present-day Chattanooga), to Fort Armstrong, Fort Deposit, Fort Strother, Fort Williams, to Horseshoe Bend, and back by the reverse route. Captain Hampton's company was ordered to man Fort Armstrong in mid-March 1814. Arms were scarce in this unit and rifles often had to be impressed from the civilian population along the line of march.

**LAND RECORDS:** Illinois Public Land Purchases

WOOSLEY, Nathan ---- 6 Nov 1817, Section SW29, Twp 1N, Range 3W, Meridan 4, 160 acres

**CENSUS RECORDS:** 1840 Jackson County, Missouri page #72

WOOSLEY, Nathan 1 male 60 to 70, 1 female 60 to 70

**HISTORY:** Nathan WOOSLEY, the father of Joshua, was born in Halifax County, Virginia in the year 1770. He and his oldest son - John WOOSLEY - served through the whole of the war of 1812. They both served under General William CARROLL, of Tennessee, and were honorably discharged in 1815, when the father returned to his home and family. He was an honorable and useful member of society, and was warmly attached to his country and its institutions. He died in Missouri, in the

Susannah WOOSLEY

She was 15 years old in 1820 when her father was applying for a pension from his services during the Revolutionary War.

Alexander James JONES

HISTORY: Author: John Carroll Power 1876, Reproduced by Windmill Publications, Inc., 6628 Uebelhack Rd, Mt. Vernon, IN 47620, 1991, Page 414

JONES, Alexander, brother to Robert, William and Thomas. (5th brother James died in White County, Illinois.) He was born in 1786, in Orange County, North Carolina. His parents moved, when he was a child, to Madison County, Kentucky and from there to Pulaski County, in the same state. Susan WOOSLEY was born in 1788 in Halifax County, Virginia and taken when young to Pulaski County, Kentucky. Alexander JONES and Susan WOOSLEY were married in Pulaski County about 1808. They had one child in that county, and moved to Bedford County, Tennessee where one child was born, and then moved to that part of Barren which has since become Hart County, Kentucky where three more children were born. In 1821 they moved to Wayne County, Illinois where they had two more children, and then moved to Sangamon County, arriving 9 October 1827, in what is now Ball Township, where one more child was born. They had eight children in all: Thomas W., James B., Robert W., Joshua W. (my great-grandfather); Moses A., Burrell T., Amanda F., and Susan D. JONES. Mrs. Susan JONES died 20 January 1844 and Alexander JONES died 20 October 1844 and both are buried in Ball Township (Sugar Creek/Jones Megredy Cemetery). JONES, Joshua W. born 9 September 1817 in Hart County, Kentucky married in Sangamon County to Polly Ann WILLS. They had seven living children, viz: Adolph W., Laura J., Willis A., Wiley E., Americus V., James A. (My grandfather: known as Alexander James Jones II), and Horatio S. JONES. Mrs. Polly A. JONES died 8 April 1867 and Joshua W. JONES married second on 3 September 1869 to Mary E. DRYER and they had two children: Luella and Junettie JONES. Joshua W. JONES resides in Ball Township, adjoining the farm where his father settled in 1827. It is three miles east of Chatham. He studied medicine and graduated from Rush Medical College in Chicago and practiced for eight years, but now confines his business to farming. Other info: there were three JONES homes very close together built in similar fashions. (Information from Marcia Jones Currie.)

Susannah WOOSLEY

She was supposedly the only daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth Walters Woosley. I am beginning to think she may be the daughter of Thomas Woosley Jr. and his wife Diannah Tribble instead. Mainly because she names her sons: Burrell, James, Thomas, Moses. Thomas Sr. had sons with all those names and Burrell is an unusual name.

Her tombstone says she died at the age of 56 years.

Moses WOOSLEY Sr.

CENSUS RECORDS: 1830 Halifax County, Virginia  
 2 males under 5 (James W. & Wilson H.)  
 1 male 10 to 15 (could be James Thomas)  
 1 male 30 to 40 (Samuel S.)  
 1 male 70 to 80 (Moses)  
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 2 females 5 to 10 (Elvira A. & ??)

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# Rev. Thomas Woolsey

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## Rev. Thomas Moses Woolsey, Sr.

**Gender:** Male  
**Birth:** 1719  
 Bedford, Westchester, New York  
**Death:** February 26, 1794 (74-75)  
 Marion, Smyth, VA, United States  
**Place of Burial:** Maiden Burying Ground, River Bend, Smyth Co., VA  
**Immediate Family:** Son of Richard Woolsey and Sarah Woolsey; Husband of Sarah Woolsey and Elizabeth Waters; Father of Thomas Woolsey, Jr.; Zephaniah Woolsey; Mary Priscilla Dean; George Woolsey; Richard Woolsey and 18 others; Brother of Daniel Woolsey; Benjamin M Woolsey; Richard Woolsey, Jr.; John Woolsey; Henry C. Woolsey and 6 others; Half brother of Daniel Woolsey, Benjamin M Woolsey; Henry C. Woolsey; Sarah Surles; Ruth Griffin and 14 others  
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Rev. Thomas Woolsey, born 1719 Westchester Co., NY, buried 1794 Riverbend Cemetery, Smyth Co., VA, married 1746 Elizabeth Waters, second wife was Sarah Pierce. Elizabeth was the mother of all his children. Thomas first Baptist minister in the Washington County Virginia region.

see [http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~woolsey/resources/descends/woolgen/wilthomas1719\\_1794.html](http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~woolsey/resources/descends/woolgen/wilthomas1719_1794.html)

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Richard Woolsey

Aaron Walden Henry or

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### Personal

Also Known As: English (default): Owlsey  
Occupation: Pioneer Baptist Minister

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1 female 20 to 30 (Nancy Francis Woosley)  
 1 female 30 to 40 ( ?? )

MILITARY RECORDS: Moses served in the Revolutionary War pension #S6442, I have a copy of his pension records. He joined the service on or about December of 1776, in Amelia County, Virginia. Shortly after he was put in Colonel Mason's company, and the whole company was enoculated with the small pox. After everyone became well, they marched through Alexandria, Georgetown, to Baltimore, and from there to Philadelphia, and from there to the White Plains of New York. At White Plains they joined up with General Washington. He fought at the battles of Germantown, Stoney Point, Camden, and was present at the surrender of Cornwallis. He spent the winter at Valley Forge, with General Washington. He was discharged on 1 January 1780, at Philadelphia. He states that he was born in Buckingham County, Virginia in 1758, and that he still has the record to prove it.

After the Revolutionary War Moses moved to Halifax County, Virginia and bought 50 acres of land from Thomas Woosley in 1788. (This Thomas Woosley is thought to be the father of Moses.) Moses became a plantation owner w

<564 acres of land with about 20 slaves.

MARRIAGE RECORDS: Amelia County, Virginia  
 Moses WOOSLEY and Elizabeth BUTLER ---- Bondsmen for the marriage was Moses Woosley and William Butler.

COURT RECORDS: Halifax County, Virginia--- Deed Book 48 page 10, 28 June 1842---- A mixed Will and Deed. Moses leaves and wills all property to David Tribble his son-in-law for the sum total of \$1.00. David is to manage the estate and care to the needs of said Moses, and on his death pay any of his outstanding debts. In 1840, Moses was living with his son Holman Woosley.

### William BUTLER Jr.

A Will for a William Butler in 1812, Amelia County, Virginia mentions his daughter Elizabeth Woosley.

### Elijah Seaton PERKINS

CENSUS RECORDS: 24 Sep 1850 Dist#17, Cedar County, Missouri page #160, family #479/479  
 PURKINS, Seaton age 36, male, mechanic, \$300, VA

### Holman H. WOOSLEY

In 1840 Holman was living on Staunton River at Bookers Ferry in Halifax County, Virginia. His father Moses was living with him.

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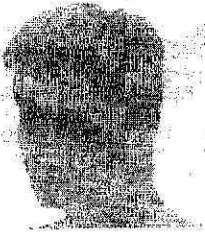
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# Aaron Walden Henry or Walden Ousley (Woosley?), Sr.

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## Aaron Walden Henry or Walden Ousley (Woosley?) (Woosley), Sr.

Gender: Male  
 Birth: February 11, 1753  
 Amelia, Virginia  
 Death: July 22, 1820 (67)  
 Bedford Co., TN  
 Place of Burial: Bedford Co., TN  
 Immediate Family: Son of Rev. Thomas Woolsey; Rev Thomas W "Moses" Woolsey; Elizabeth Waters and Elizabeth Walters  
 Husband of Sally Howard Woosley and Martha Deceprt Woosley  
 Father of William Alexander Woosley; James Woosley; Susannah Woosley; Aaron Walden Woosley, Jr.; Elizabeth Woosley and 1 other  
 Brother of Zephaniah Woolsey; Mary Priscilla Dean; George Woolsey; Abraham Woolsey; 51207A8; Joshua Ousley and 28 others  
 Half brother of Thomas Woolsey, Jr.  
 Added by: Karen Yvonne Mattox on August 21, 2008  
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# Aaron Walden Woosley, Jr.

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## Aaron Walden Woosley, Jr.

Gender: Male  
 Birth: circa 1787  
 Pittsylvania, Virginia

Immediate Family: Son of Aaron Walden Henry or Walden Ousley (Woosley?), Sr. and Martha Decrepit Woosley  
 Brother of William Alexander Woosley; James Woosley; Susannah Woosley; Elizabeth Woosley and Thomas Woosley

Added by: Karen Yvonne Mattox on August 21, 2008  
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|  | James Woosley<br>brother          |  | Susannah Woosley<br>sister                    |  | Elizabeth Woosley<br>sister          |
|  | Thomas Woosley<br>brother         |  | Sally Howard Woosley<br>stepmother            |  |                                      |

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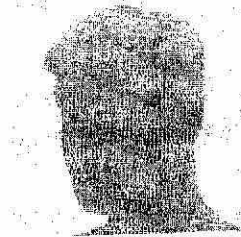
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 Bedford, Westchester, New York  
**Death:** February 26, 1794 (74-75)  
 Marion, Smyth, VA, United States  
**Place of Burial:** Maiden Burying Ground, River Bend, Smyth Co., VA  
**Immediate Family:** Son of Richard Woolsey and Sarah Woolsey  
 Husband of Sarah Woolsey and Elizabeth Waters  
 Father of Thomas Woolsey, Jr.; Zephaniah Woolsey; Mary Priscilla Dean; George Woolsey; Richard Woolsey and 18 others  
 Brother of Daniel Woolsey; Benjamin M Woolsey; Richard Woolsey, Jr.; John Woolsey; Henry C. Woolsey and 6 others  
 Half brother of Daniel Woolsey; Benjamin M Woolsey; Henry C. Woolsey; Sarah Surles; Ruth Griffin and 11 others  
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### About

Rev. Thomas Woolsey, born 1719 Westchester Co., NY, buried 1794 Riverbend Cemetery, Smyth Co., VA, married 1746 Elizabeth Waters. second wife was Sarah Pierce. Elizabeth was the mother of all his children. Thomas first Baptist minister in the Washington County Virginia region.

see [http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~woolsey/resources/descends/woolgen/wlthomas1719\\_1794.html](http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~woolsey/resources/descends/woolgen/wlthomas1719_1794.html)

### REVEREND THOMAS WOOLSEY & SARAH PIERCE

Kentucky was created from original Virginia land. Washington County Virginia was a boundary line for

### Immediate Family

Showing 12 of 55 people

- Elizabeth Waters wife
- George Woolsey son
- Abraham Wool 512C7A8 son

- Zephaniah Woolsey son
- Richard Woolsey

- Mary Priscilla Dean daughter
- Aaron Walden Henry or

### Personal

Also Known As: English (default): Owlsey  
 Occupation: Pioneer Baptist Minister

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HUSBAND'S NAME Key James Huxley where Bedford, Washington NY

When Born 1719 where Bedford, Washington NY

When Married 26 Feb 1796 where Marian Smith in Va

When Buried Maidenbury Grand River B where Old Seneca

Other Wives (if any) Number (1) (2) etc.

His Father Richard Wooley His Mother's Maiden Name Searin

WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME (2) Elizabeth Walters See No. 1 Page 1

When Born \_\_\_\_\_ where \_\_\_\_\_

When Died \_\_\_\_\_ where \_\_\_\_\_

When Buried \_\_\_\_\_ where \_\_\_\_\_

Other Wives (if any) Number (1) (2) etc.

Person No. \_\_\_\_\_ on this chart  
is the same person as No. 13  
on chart No. \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_  
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No.	CHILDREN (Arrange in order of birth)	A-CHILD	B-SPOUSE	Her Mother's Maiden Name			Date	Married	Buried
				Day	Month	Year			
1	A	Thomas	Wood				Date _____ To Full name of spouse* _____		
2	B	Zephaniah					Date _____ To Full name of spouse* _____		
3	A	Mary	Piscataway				Date _____ To Full name of spouse* _____		
4	B	George					Date _____ To Full name of spouse* _____		
5	A	Richard					Date _____ To Full name of spouse* _____		
6	B	18 others					Date _____ To Full name of spouse* _____		
7	B	Abraham					Date _____ To Full name of spouse* _____		
8	A	Daniel					Date _____ To Full name of spouse* _____		
9	B	David					Date _____ To Full name of spouse* _____		
10	A	Leinda					Date _____ To Full name of spouse* _____		
11	B	Dorella					Date _____ To Full name of spouse* _____		
12	A	Phyllis					Date _____ To Full name of spouse* _____		
13	B	Sarah					Date _____ To Full name of spouse* _____		
14	A	Slippen					Date _____ To Full name of spouse* _____		

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His Father \_\_\_\_\_ His Mother's Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME \_\_\_\_\_ See No. \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_

When Born \_\_\_\_\_ Where \_\_\_\_\_  
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 When Buried \_\_\_\_\_ Where \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other Wives (if any) \_\_\_\_\_  
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Her Mother's Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
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No.	CHILDREN (Arrange in order of birth)	A-CHILD B-SPOUSE	WHEN BORN		WHERE BORN Town or Place	County	State or Country	WHEN DIED		Date	Married	Buried
			Day	Month				Year	Day			
1	A	William Woodley										
2	B											
3	A											
4	B											
5	A											
6	B	Sisters Bros: Daniel Fowler Woodley										
7	A	Arundo Roth										
8	B	Benjamin										
9	A	Hannah										
10	B	Helena										
11	A	Rev Henry										
12	B	Capt. John										
13	A	Joseph										
14	B	Sosiah										

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Rev. Thomas Moses "Owlsley" Woolsey, Sr.

**Birth:** 1719 - Bedford, Westchester, New York

**Death:** Feb 26 1794 - Manori, Smyth, VA, Virginia States

**Parents:** Richard Woolsey and Sarah Woolsey (born Fowler)

**Siblings:** Rev Thomas W "Moses", Daniel, Daniel, Benjamin M, Benjamin M, Richard John, Henry C., Henry C., Wason, Sarah, Ruth, Ruth, Josiah, Josiah, Mary, Mary, Joseph, Joseph and Hannan

**Partners:** Sarah Woolsey (born Pierce) and Elizabeth Woolsey (born Waters)

**Children:** Zephaniah, Mary, Priscilla, George, Richard, Aaron, Walden, Henry or Walden, Abraham

Thomas Moses Woolsey, Sr.

FamilySearch Family Tree

**Birth:** Nov 1719 - Bedford, Westchester, New York, British Colonial America

**Death:** Feb 26 1794 - Maiden Springs, Washington, Virginia, British Colonial America

**Parents:** Richard Woolsey I, Sarah Woolsey (born Fowler)

**Spouses:** Elizabeth Woolsey, Sr. (born Waters), Sarah Woolsey, Sr. (born Pierce)

**Children:** Mary Priscilla Dean (born Woolsey), Zephaniah Woolsey, Simeon Woolsey, Daniel Woolsey, Priscilla Woolsey, George Woolsey, Richard Woolsey, and names of 5 more children

**Siblings:** Magdalena "Lenah" Helena Dusenbery (born Woolsey), Daniel Fowler Woolsey, Richard Woolsey II, Benjamin Woolsey, John Woolsey, Sarah Woolsey, Henry C. Woolsey, and names of 6 more siblings

Adds more complete birth date, more complete birth place and child(ren)

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Rev. Thomas Woolsey

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**Birth:** 1716 - Bedford, Westchester, New York

**Death:** Feb 26 1794 - Marian, Smyth, Virginia, USA

**Parents:** Richard Woolsey, Sarah Woolsey

**Wife:** Elizabeth Woolsey, Sarah Sary Woolsey

**Children:** George Woolsey, Sr., Rev Thomas Wood Woolsey, Jr., Abraham Woolsey, Daniel Woolsey, David Woolsey, Lusinda Woolsey, Mary Dean, Priscilla Woolsey, Richard Woolsey, Sarah Woolsey, Simeon Woolsey, William Woolsey, Zephaniah Woolsey

**Siblings:** Daniel Fowler Woolsey, Ruth Woolsey, Benjamin Woolsey, Hannah Woolsey, Helena Woolsey, Rev Henry C Woolsey, Capt. John Woolsey, Joseph Woolsey, Josiah Woolsey, Richard Woolsey, Sarah Haight, Mary Woolsey

Adds child(ren)

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**Sally Howard WICKLIFFE** was born about 1755 in , Halifax, Virginia. She died before 1786 in , Pittsylvania, Virginia. She married Aaron Walden WOOSLEY Sr. about 1775 in of, Halifax, Virginia.

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**Aaron Walden WOOSLEY Sr. [Parents]** was born on 11 Feb 1753 in , Buckingham, Virginia. He died in Jul 1831 in , Bedford, Tennessee. He was buried in Jul 1831 in Hastings Cem, Bedford, Tennessee. He married Martha Decrepit BRAY on 11 Jun 1786 in , Pittsylvania, Virginia.

Other marriages:

WICKLIFFE, Sally Howard

[Notes]

\***Martha Decrepit BRAY "Patsy"** was born about 1764 in , Pittsylvania, Virginia. She died after 1830 in , Bedford, Tennessee. She was buried in Hastings Cem, Bedford, Tennessee. She married Aaron Walden WOOSLEY Sr. on 11 Jun 1786 in , Pittsylvania, Virginia.

[Notes]

They had the following children:

M i **Aaron Walden WOOSLEY Jr.** was born about 1789 in , Pittsylvania, Virginia.

F ii Elizabeth WOOSLEY

M iii **Thomas WOOSLEY** was born about 1793 in , Pittsylvania, Virginia.

\*M iv William Alexander WOOSLEY

M v James WOOSLEY

F vi **Susannah WOOSLEY** was born about 1805 in , Pittsylvania, Virginia. [Notes]

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**William PEMBERTON** was born about 1780 in of, Buckingham, Virginia. He died before 1807 in , Pulaski, Kentucky. He married Elizabeth WOOSLEY on 2 Jan 1804 in , Halifax, Virginia.

**Elizabeth WOOSLEY [Parents]** was born about 1778 in , Halifax, Virginia. She married William PEMBERTON on 2 Jan 1804 in , Halifax, Virginia.

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**Alexander James JONES** was born in 1786 in , Orange, North Carolina. He died on 20 Oct 1844 in Ball Twp, Sangamon, Illinois. He was buried in Sugar Creek Cem, Ball Twp, Sangamon, Illinois. He married Susannah WOOSLEY on 1 Nov 1807 in , Pulaski, Kentucky.

[Notes]

**Susannah WOOSLEY [Parents] "Susie"** was born on 24 Oct 1788 in , Halifax, Virginia. She died on 20 Jan 1844 in Ball Twp, Sangamon, Illinois. She was buried in Sugar Creek Cem, Ball Twp, Sangamon, Illinois. She married Alexander James JONES on 1 Nov 1807 in , Pulaski, Kentucky.

[Notes]

They had the following children:

M i Joshua W. JONES



**Moses WOOSLEY Sr. [Parents]** was born in 1758 in , Buckingham, Virginia. He died in Sep 1843 in , Halifax, Virginia. He married Elizabeth BUTLER on 7 May 1789 in , Amelia, Virginia.

[Notes]

**Elizabeth BUTLER [Parents]** was born on 16 May 1769 in Blackwater, Dinwiddie, Virginia. She died before Jun 1842 in , Halifax, Virginia. She married Moses WOOSLEY Sr. on 7 May 1789 in , Amelia, Virginia.

They had the following children:

- F i Sally Butler WOOSLEY
- F ii Rhoda Walters WOOSLEY
- M iii Moses Martin WOOSLEY
- M iv Holman H. WOOSLEY
- F v Elizabeth WOOSLEY
- M vi Samuel S. WOOSLEY Sr.
- F vii Nancy W. WOOSLEY
- M viii James Thomas WOOSLEY Sr.

**William BUTLER Jr. [Parents]** was born about 1741 in Bristol Parish, Prince George, Virginia. He died in 1812 in , Amelia, Virginia. He married Rhoda Ann THOMAS about 1765 in of, Amelia, Virginia.

[Notes]

**Rhoda Ann THOMAS [Parents]** was born about 1745 in of, Prince George, Virginia. She married William BUTLER Jr. about 1765 in of, Amelia, Virginia.

They had the following children:

- F i Elizabeth BUTLER

**John PERKINS** was born in 1787 in , Prince Edward, Virginia. He died on 1 Jan 1845 in Mellville, Dade, Missouri. He was buried in Perkins Cem, Cedar, Missouri. He married Rhoda Walters WOOSLEY on 10 Oct 1808 in , Halifax, Virginia.

**Rhoda Walters WOOSLEY [Parents]** was born in 1792 in , Halifax, Virginia. She died before 1838 in , Christian, Kentucky. She was buried in Hamby Cem, Christian, Kentucky. She married John PERKINS on 10 Oct 1808 in , Halifax, Virginia.

They had the following children:

- M i William PERKINS
- M ii Moses Woosley PERKINS was born about 1811 in , Halifax, Virginia.
- M iii Elijah Seaton PERKINS was born in 1814 in , Halifax, Virginia. He died in 1866 in , Cedar, Missouri. [Notes]



M iv **Constantine Haslin PERKINS**

F v **Mary W. PERKINS** was born about 1819 in , Halifax, Virginia.

M vi **Samuel Henry PERKINS**

F vii **Elizabeth Ann PERKINS** was born about 1823 in , Halifax, Virginia. She died after 1891 in Carrollton, Greene, Illinois.

M viii **John Ransome PERKINS**

M ix **George H. PERKINS** was born about 1830 in , Todd, Kentucky.

F x **Louisa Marian PERKINS** was born about 1835 in , Todd, Kentucky.

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**Holman H. WOOSLEY [Parents]** was born in 1796 in , Halifax, Virginia. He died in 1856 in , Halifax, Virginia. He married Nancy TRIBBLE on 3 Oct 1822 in , Halifax, Virginia.



[Notes]

Nancy TRIBBLE was born about 1800 in , Halifax, Virginia. She married Holman H. WOOSLEY on 3 Oct 1822 in , Halifax, Virginia.

They had the following children:

F i **Sarah WOOSLEY** was born about 1823 in , Halifax, Virginia.

M ii **Moses George WOOSLEY** was born about 1825 in , Halifax, Virginia.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, in consideration of the Premises, and by these presents DO GIVE AND GRANT unto the said *William F. Vandewater* and to *his* heirs, the said tract above described TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the thereunto belonging, unto the said *William F. Vandewater*

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these presents

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# I Dig My Roots and Branches



Vickie Thompson

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Hi, My name is Vickie and to tell you a little bit about myself, I was born and raised in Kentucky and the majority of my ancestors have been in Kentucky since the 1790's. I have always loved history, a good mystery and puzzles and that is what Family History Research is all about. As a child we would take day trips on Saturdays and head down some dirt road looking for old cemeteries. A lot of the time we weren't looking for anyone in particular, we just like to read the epitaphs. We would have a picnic lunch packed and have lunch at whatever cemetery we were at. If the weather was bad my Dad and I would go to a court house and dig through old records in musty old basements looking for our ancestors. So as you can see I have had an interest in Family History for quite some time. View my complete profile

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## Moses Woosley

Moses Woosley was my 4<sup>th</sup> great-grandfather on my Dad's side of the family through his mother Jessie Doss, better known to most of my family as Mama Jessie. Moses was born in 1758 in Buckingham County, Virginia the son of Thomas Woosley and Elizabeth Waters. I only know the year of his birth, not the month and day unfortunately. I also don't know a lot about his childhood, but I do know that he came from a very large family. Moses was number 4 of the 15 children born to Thomas and Elizabeth and also the 4<sup>th</sup> of 14 sons born to them and finally a daughter who was the 15<sup>th</sup> child. Can you image having 15 children and all boys but one. I have 5 grandsons and you would think there were ten times that many when they all get going. 14 boys is just mind boggling to say the least. None of these 15 children died young either, which is an amazing feat back in those days when infant mortality was so high.

This families surname has been spelled many different ways over the years and a lot of the family that left Virginia and went to Ohio tended to spell it Owsley, Ousley or Oosley. There is an Owsley family in Kentucky that is a completely different line from our Woosley/Owsley/Ousley/Oosley family though, so you have to make sure you aren't following one of them. Also a lot of people have thought that the Woolsey family is the same family, but from my research I do not believe that is true. Some have tried to link our family back to Cardinal Woolsey of England, but I just don't think that can be our line from what research I have done. Most people that do try to connect us to Cardinal Woolsey of England, do not have any documentation to go with their theories so until I can find something myself, I am not linking our lines to him.

Moses' siblings were the following. Aaron Walden Woosley 1753-1831 in Bedford County, Tennessee. Joshua Woosley 1755 - ? , William Woosley 1757-1838 in Davidson County, North Carolina. Thomas Woosley, Jr. 1760-1856 in Christian County, Kentucky; John Owsley 1762 - after 1811 possibly in Ohio; Benjamin Woosley 1764-1841 in Tazewell County, Virginia; Samuel Woosley 1765-1844 in Grayson County, Kentucky; Marion Woosley 1768 - ? , David Woosley 1770-1852 in Grayson County, Kentucky; Nathan Woosley 1770-1856 in Crawford County, Arkansas; Elisha Woosley 1772 - ? , Elijah Woosley 1774-1859 in Bedford County, Tennessee. James Woosley 1778-1847 in Clark County, Ohio, and the only daughter Elizabeth Woosley 1780 - before 1850 in Clark County, Ohio.

Another amazing fact about this family is that Moses, his father, Thomas and six or seven of his brothers, Aaron, Joshua, William, Thomas Jr., Benjamin, Samuel and possibly Marion were all supposed to have served in the Revolutionary War. I know Moses did for certain as well as Aaron, William and Thomas Jr., but so far

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I cannot find the others listed as serving, though they are a perfect age to have done so. Mama Jessie always said that her mother, Nancy Lougena Woosley Doss, talked about Moses and his brothers and his father as having served in the Revolution and how proud she was to have come from such fine stock.

We do have every reason to be proud of Moses and the service he gave during the Revolutionary War though. I have a copy of his pension file which states that he joined up in December of 1776 in Amelia County, Virginia and served for three years. He was put in Colonel Mason's company and the whole company was inoculated with the small pox and after everyone became well, they marched through Alexandria and Georgetown, then on to Baltimore and Philadelphia and from there to the White Plains of New York.

At White Plains they joined up with General George Washington and Moses was at the battles of Germantown, Stony Point, Camden and Yorktown. What I have always loved though was the fact that Moses was at Valley Forge during that terrible winter with General George Washington and was present at the surrender of Cornwallis. Moses saw so many of the defining moments of the Revolutionary War, what a proud heritage we can claim from the service of Moses and also of his brothers and possibly his father as well.

After the war Moses returned to his occupation as a farmer and soon was married. Something that wasn't that common especially in the southern states was the fact that Moses and most of his brothers did not get married until they were over 25 years old and Moses was 31 before he got married, even his sister was 24 before she got married. On May 7, 1789 in Amelia County, Virginia Moses married Elizabeth Butler, daughter of William Butler and Rhoda Ann Thomas of Dinwiddie County, Virginia. They became the parents of eight children.

These eight children were: Sally Butler Woosley 1790 - before 1844; Rhoda Walters Woosley 1792 - before 1838; Moses Martin Woosley 1793-1815; Holman H. Woosley 1796-1856; Samuel S. Woosley 1800-1875 (my ancestor); Elizabeth F. Woosley 1803 - before 1843; Nancy Warfield Woosley 1805-1876 and James Thomas Woosley 1807 - before 1880.

By 1790 or so Moses and his family had moved over into Halifax County, Virginia and he and his wife and five of their eight children continue to live there until their deaths. My direct line Samuel S. Woosley and two of his siblings, Rhoda Walters Woosley Perkins and James Thomas Woosley and their families moved to Christian County, Kentucky and settled near the Sinking Fork Community in the early 1830's.

Moses became a plantation owner with around 564 acres of land and also up to 20 slaves at one time or another in Halifax County, Virginia. I know some of his land he received as bounty land for his service during the Revolutionary War. From an old record my Dad, Frank Beard, found many years ago we read the following: "The following is from a copy of the original financial records of Moses Woosley, but does not say where it came from. A Record of Advancements made by Moses Woosley to his children in his lifetime. To William Keeling & Sally his wife formerly Woosley = 1 carryall \$45.00 June 14 - cash for receipt \$100.00 total \$145.00. To John Perkins & wife his Rhody formerly Woosley = May 11, 1828 - cash for receipt \$100.00 January 8, 1835, cash \$30.00 & house \$35.00 January 8, 1835, 1 negro woman, Judith & 2 children Lee & Harold \$600.00, total \$765.00. To Holeman Woosley = January 3, 1835 - 2 negroes, Morgan & John \$750.00 January 8, 1835 - \$100.00 cash; total \$850.00. To Samuel S. Woosley = January 3, 1835 - 2 negroes, Joshua & Isaac for \$535.00; also on January 8, 1835 - \$47.00 in cash; on October 21, 1835 - \$200.00 cash; total \$782.00. To James T. Woosley = September 18, 1829 - cash \$97.00, January 3, 1835 - one negro man named Isham \$600.00; January 8, 1835 - \$33.00 cash; total \$730.00. To Johnson M. Hancock & Elizabeth his wife formerly Woosley = January 3, 1835 - one negro woman named Keziah \$475.00; December 1, 1837 - cash \$50.00; December 9, 1838 - cash \$50.00, total \$575.00. To David Tribble & Nancy his wife formerly Woosley = January 3, 1835

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Journey Into Peace  
Happy in East Hill

Many Mini  
Biographies  
Generation 8  
(Parents-child  
summary)

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Brick Walls  
Slave Name Roll  
Project: RELEASING:  
An Unnamed Black  
Woman

Pam's Point of  
View  
Grandma Annie's  
May Birthday

Pennie Brantley  
An Abundance of  
Options (Arrival in  
Venice)

Robert Morgan  
Private Landing

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Trees  
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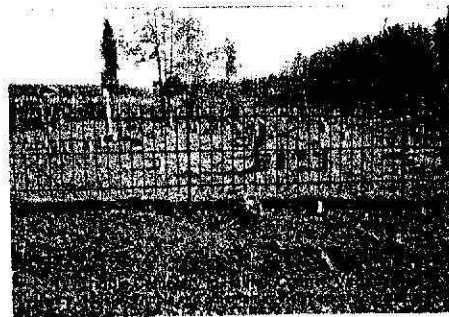
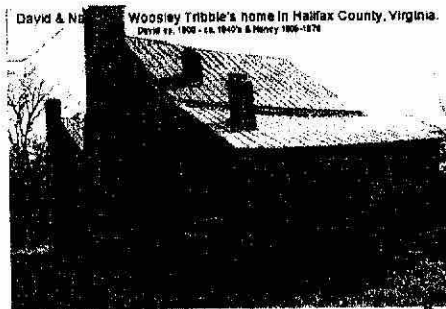
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Graves in Wilson  
Cemetery

- 2 negroes Fanny & Hiram \$600.00; January 8, 1835 - cash \$70.00; total \$670.00 Martin Woosley has (cannot read rest)."

I have found Moses on the 1820, 1830 and 1840 census records in Halifax County, Virginia. I don't know exactly when his wife Elizabeth died, but I do know it was before the 1840 census was taken and that Moses passed away in September of 1843. They are both apparently buried in unmarked graves and I don't even know the name of the cemetery but I think it could be the Tribble Cemetery where his daughter Nancy and son-in-law David Tribble are buried in Halifax County. The reason I believe this might be true is because in Moses' will he states the following: "I Moses Woosley leaves and wills all my property to David Tribble, my son-in-law, for the sum total of \$1 00, David is to manage the estate and care to the needs of said Moses, and on his death pay any of his outstanding debts."

The following is a picture of the home of David & Nancy Woosley Tribble and it could be possible that Moses Woosley lived here before he died. The next picture is of the Tribble Cemetery where Moses and his wife Elizabeth could possibly be buried.



I am so proud of my Woosley family who were part of the growing country of America, having come to these shores at least by the 1680's into the Virginia colonies. I wish so much that I knew exactly where Moses Woosley was buried, because their definitely needs to be something to mark the grave of a soldier that helped win American Independence.

Posted by Vickie Thompson at Saturday, February 28, 2015

Reactions: funny (0), interesting (0), cool (0)

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## 14 comments:

**Anonymous** Saturday, February 28, 2015 at 12:03:00 PM MST

Keep them coming Vic

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Anonymous Saturday, February 28, 2015 at 12:49:00 PM MST

Love these stories!

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Anonymous Saturday, February 28, 2015 at 6:11:00 PM MST

Fantastic! Love it. Keep teaching us.

Reply

Anonymous Saturday, February 28, 2015 at 6:14:00 PM MST

Just read your latest. How wonderful to have all that history. I would have no idea how to trace my family "back" that far. Thanks for sharing. Always enjoy reading.

Reply

Anonymous Thursday, October 1, 2015 at 2:23:00 PM MDT

I just learned about Moses Woosley this summer while visiting valley Forge. My name is Gail Woosley daughter of Connie Webster, son of Ephraim Alexander whose father was Thomas H. Woosley, born in 1831.

Reply

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Vickie Thompson Friday, October 2, 2015 at 7:15:00 AM MDT

I am always happy to hear from a new cousin. I have an online tree for my Woosley family at this link:  
<http://wc.rootsweb.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/igm.cgi?db=ThomasWoosley&I111x=35&I111y=6>

I would love to add your line to my tree

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Reply



Abraham Potter's Family Saturday, April 2, 2016 at 8:24:00 PM MDT

Thank you so much for sharing your work. My grandmother was a Floyd Co., KY Owsley/Owsley. I tried to make the connection to Benjamin Woosley years ago and could document a link.

Reply

Replies



Vickie Thompson Tuesday, April 5, 2016 at 7:17:00 AM MDT

Thanks so much for making contact, I always loved to meet new cousins.

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Reply


Anonymous Wednesday, October 12, 2016 at 11:27:00 AM MDT

This is fascinating. I have 1st cousins who are descended from Robert Holman Woosley. They lived on the family property along Route 501 in Halifax County.

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 Vickie Thompson Sunday, October 16, 2016 at 1:56:00 PM MDT

Thanks for making contact I always love to meet new cousins

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Don Lucietta Friday, July 14, 2017 at 8:58:00 AM MDT

Vickie Thank you so much for the detailed information on the Moses Woosley Family My Connection is John Perkins & wife his Rhody Woosley. Their son Samuel Henry Perkins migrated to Missouri and had a Homestead in Cedar County Interestingly if one googles Samuel Henry Perkins a family picture is displayed with My Grandfather Horace Perkins setting on Samuel Henry's lap.

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 Vickie Thompson Friday, July 14, 2017 at 9:28:00 AM MDT

Thanks, it is always nice to meet a new cousin and thanks for making contact

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 Christine Sumner Thursday, July 20, 2017 at 3:34:00 AM MDT

I entered the Daughters of the American Revolution thru my descent from Aaron Walden Woosley thru his daughter Elizabeth who married William Ransome Lindsay they their son Johnson Wilborn Lindsay thru his son Charles Ginn Lindsay and his wife Zaida Madors Robertson and my mother Alma Lindsay who mJesse Paradise. Johnson Wilborn's wife was Mary Ann Jones form Franklin Co Tenn. My DAR number is 540030 and you are welcome to use it. Just give me credit!!! I am from Scottsboro, Jackson County Al I am 83 and still love genealogy. I wrote a history and geology column in the local paper weekly for more than 10 years and am sorting them now to donate to Samford University or the Alabama Archives. I also descend from David Larkin for whom Larkinsville, Jackson Co is named for. He was the son of David Larkin buried on the old Larkin farm with a marker in Huntland, Tn. Thank you so much for Aaron's father. Do you know his wife's name? I think he had a daughter Susan

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 Vickie Thompson Saturday, September 9, 2017 at 8:40:00 AM MDT

Thanks so much for making contact. From what my father found years ago he believed Thomas Woosley's wife's name was Elizabeth Waters or Wallers. I still can not prove that with certainty though. Everything I have gathered so far on this Woosley's I have put in an online tree

I am always happy to hear from a new cousin. I have an online tree for my Woosley family at this link:  
<http://wc.rootsweb.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/igm.cgi?db=ThomasWoosley&I11.x=35&I11.y=6>

I would love to add your line to my tree.

Thanks for making contact.

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## THE WOOSLEY FAMILY

"Moses Woosley came to America before the American Revolution. He is said to have had thirteen sons and a daughter. I do not have the name of his wife, the family lived in Virginia in Buckingham County."<sup>1</sup> (According to the Kentucky Family Archives Volume III: Moses Woosley was born early 1700 in the British Isles and buried Buckingham County Virginia. He served with seven of his sons in the Continental Army under George Washington. Served in either the 11th or 15th Virginia Regiment.)

Moses Woosley was probably born 1730 to 1740. "The names of his sons were as follows: Moses, John, James, William, Thomas, Benjamin, Aaron, Elijah, Elisha, Nathan, Joshua, David and Samuel."<sup>1</sup> The underscored names are the ones who fought in the Revolutionary War according to the accounts of Mrs. Joan Saunders.<sup>4</sup> Lura Woosley indicates that she is only sure about Moses Jr., Thomas, Aaron and David having served. She also felt that John and Nathan may have been soldiers.

"There is said to have been a daughter, but I am sure that long ago she lost her identity by marriage. My grandfather said that the Woosley family were Welch, but I have no documentary proof"<sup>1</sup> Other family members have indicated that they believe Moses Woosley came from Scotland.

"Samuel Woosley was one of the younger children. He was my great-great-grandfather. He was born July 13, 1775. I do not know if Moses, the father, was a revolutionary soldier. Some say he was an American patriot, but I have no proof of that."<sup>1</sup> As stated earlier, the Ky. Family Archives, Volume III indicates that Moses Woosley Senior actually served with his sons in the army. The authenticity and correctness of the printed statement could be questioned, as concerns Moses Woosley Sr. having served in the army. I do not know from whom or from what document the printed statement was received or quoted. There is certainly the possibility that it could be incorrect. However, at the present time the printed statement (Archive's version) should be considered the more correct version, until such time as proof to the contrary is uncovered.

"Moses Woosley, Jr. was in the Continental Army with George Washington, Commander. He spent the winter at Valley Forge when Washington was encamped there. His name is on a large plaque which is there on the grounds, giving the names of the soldiers encamped there. He was also present at Yorktown and witnessed the surrender of Yorktown by Cornwallis. Moses Woosley Jr. stated that he was born in Buckingham County, Virginia in 1758. I wrote to the county seat but the records had all burned in 1869 when the courthouse burned, so I could get no information relative to the Woosley family there. Moses, Jr. seems to have lived in Halifax County Virginia. He married Elizabeth Butler and lived at first in Amelia County Virginia, but later moved to Halifax County.

William Woosley settled in North Carolina and there are said to be Woosley's there to this day. Aaron Woosley was injured in the war. Injured by a sword cutting his shoulder, causing it to drop and making him a cripple. The story is that he was trying to defend Washington who was about to be personally attacked. I found in some of my reading that he was injured in a skirmish near Savannah, Georgia by a sword, etc. He settled in northeast Tennessee."<sup>1</sup>

"James Woosley went west, and lived and died in the vicinity of Dallas, Texas. He had a granddaughter who lived here, but she died and is buried here. She has been dead about three years. She used to come to see me and try to find out about the Woosley family. She was left an orphan at a rather early age and knew little about the family. Joshua Woosley lived in Hart County Ky. and was living there in 1828. Thomas Woosley lived in Christian County. He enlisted in the Revolutionary War at the age of 16. Thomas was the father of Dr. J. H. Woosley who died at (Glasgow Jct.) Park City, Ky. and is buried in Cave Hill Cemetery. He was a first cousin to my great-grandfather, George Washington Woosley (M5), who lived on Big Reedy where Edward Woosley (under M5m) his youngest grandson now lives."<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>4</sup> Joan Saunders  
Leitchfield, Ky.  
Grayson County

Mother	- Frona Woosley Small (under M4a i)
Father	- Mathew (Matt) Small
Grandfather	- Franklin Pierce Woosley (M4a i)
Great-grandfather	- Joseph Woosley (M4a)
Great-great-grandfather	- Joshua Woosley (M4)
Great-great-great-grandfather	- Samuel Woosley (M)
Great-great-great-great-grandfather	- Moses Woosley

Moses Woosley

Born early 1700's (probably 1730 to 1740). From British Isles - either Scotland or Wales.

Buried Buckingham County Virginia.

Apparent reference made in Ky. Family Archives Volumn #3.

Served with seven of his sons in the Continental Army under George Washington. Served in either the 11th or 15th Virginia Regiment.

Children:

A. Moses, Jr.\*

Born 1758 in Buckingham County Virginia.

Married: Elizabeth Butler

B. John\*

Lived in Virginia.

C. James

Lived in Texas vicinity of Dallas.

D. William\*

Settled in North Carolina

E. Thomas\*

Enlisted in Revolutionary War at age 16.  
Settled in Christian County Kentucky.

F. Benjamin

Lived in Virginia.

G. Aaron\*

Married: Elizabeth Butler in Pulaski County Virginia  
She was of age. (Assumed to be age 21 or more)

Injured in war.  
Settled in northeastern Tennessee.

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J. Joshua

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K. Elisha

Lived in Virginia.

L. David\*

Born October 25, 1775 According to gravestone.  
Died July 14, 1852

Settled in southwestern Kentucky.

Buried Dan Woosley Cemetery in Grayson County Ky.

Married: a Butler in Virginia.

(Davis's date of birth is apparently incorrect. It would have been impossible for him to have served in the Revolutionary War if born in 1775. Also, his birth date is only three months later than his brother Samuel.)

M. Samuel

Born July 13, 1775 in Halifax County Virginia.  
Died November 25, 1844

Settled in Edmonson County Kentucky.

Buried Dan Woosley Cemetery in Grayson County Ky.

Married: Phebe Bailey

Buried Dan Woosley Cemetery in Grayson County Ky.

N. Only one daughter - name unknown.

\* Those sons having served with their father Moses Woosley, Sr. in the Continental Army.

M. Samuel Woosley - Son of Moses Woosley, Senior.

Born July 13, 1775 Halifax County Virginia  
Died November 25, 1844 Edmonson County Kentucky  
Buried Dan Woosley Cemetery in Grayson County Kentucky

Married:

Phebe Bailey

Born August 4, 1769 Halifax County Virginia  
Died September 11, 1856 Edmonson County Kentucky  
Buried Dan Woosley Cemetery in Grayson County Kentucky

Samuel Woosley and his family moved from Halifax County Virginia to Whitley County Kentucky about the year 1817. He then moved to Edmonson County Kentucky with his family, children and grandchildren in approximately 1830. There were also great-grandchildren by this time.

Children:

1. Thomas (Tom) Woosley (also called Burl)

Born October 3, 1790 Halifax County Virginia  
Died August 7, 1852 Edmonson County Kentucky  
Buried Dan Woosley Cemetery in Grayson County Kentucky

Married (1st):

Polly (Phebe) Adams on March 5, 1817 in Butler County Ky.

Born April 8, 1799  
Died August 3, 1841  
Buried Dan Woosley Cemetery in Grayson County Kentucky

Married (2nd):

Sallie (Sarah) Tomes on March 15, 1844 in Edmonson County Ky.

Born November 10, 1822  
Died November 10, 1907  
Buried Dan Woosley Cemetery in Grayson County Kentucky  
Parents Father James Tomes Mother

Thomas Woosley was apparently named after his paternal uncle.

2. Colonel Samuel Woosley

Born December 23, 1802 Halifax County Virginia  
Died August 8, 1865  
Buried Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Edmonson County Kentucky

Married:

Rebecca Blakely on November 30, 1826 in Whitley County Ky.

Colonel Samuel Woosley married in Whitley County to the daughter of Curtis Blakely. Her named was Rebecca. He then came to Edmonson County Ky. with his parents and his family, some of whom were married and had families of their own by that time. This was probably about the year 1830. The preceding information was furnished by Mrs. Joan Saunders. Her father is Thomas Jefferson Woosley, grandfather is Curtis Blakely Woosley, great-grandfather is Colonel Samuel Woosley and great-great-grandfather is Samuel Woosley.

Colonel Samuel Woosley was named after his father.

3. Joseph Woosley

Born circa 1808  
Died after 1860 and before 1870

Married:

Jane Hunt on November 12, 1829 in Edmonson County Ky.

Born circa 1814  
Died after 1880

4. Joshua Woosley

Born July 1, 1810 Halifax County Virginia  
Died March 19, 1901  
Buried Dan Woosley Cemetery in Grayson County Ky.

Married:

Jane Siler (1st) on March 10, 1832 in Whitley County Ky.

Born October 12, 1817  
Died August 25, 1852  
Buried Dan Woosley Cemetery in Grayson County Ky.  
Parents Father Jacob Siler Mother

Lethia Jane Decker (2nd) on April 14, 1854 in Grayson Co. Ky.

Born March 13, 1824  
Died April 1914

Joshua Woosley was apparently named after his paternal uncle.

5. George Washington Woosley

Born February 6, 1817 Halifax County Virginia  
Died July 30, 1892  
Buried Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Edmonson County Kentucky



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Born October 25, 1808 Whitley County Kentucky  
Died July 17, 1890 Edmonson County Kentucky  
Buried Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Edmonson County Ky.  
Parents Father Curtis Blakely Mother

Married:

Julia Siler (1st) - Daughter to Adam Siler, who was the brother of Jane Siler. Jane Siler is the wife of Joshua Woosley.

Born January 11, 1820  
Died July 16, 1847

Elizabeth Oller (2nd) on August 31, 1848

Born October 14, 1828  
Died April 6, 1883  
Buried Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Edmonson County Kentucky  
Parents Father James Oller Mother

George Washington Woosley was named after President George Washington.

6. Martha Woosley

Born July 1, 1808  
Died July 13, 1877  
Buried Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Edmonson County Kentucky

Married:

John H. Williams

Born June 26, 1799  
Died January 13, 1873  
Buried Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Edmonson County Kentucky

Martha Woosley was named after President Washington's wife (Martha).

Children: Emma Williams - married Bluford Nash

7. Polly Woosley

Married: Anderson

8. Dinah Woosley

Born December 25, 1815  
Died December 29, 1883  
Buried Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Edmonson County Kentucky  
Married:

Haile Bolten

Born February 12, 1813  
Died August 10, 1889  
Buried Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Edmonson County Kentucky

9. Anna Woosley

10. Phebe Woosley

306 Sequoia Drive  
Leitchfield, Kentucky 42754  
February 13, 1980

Dear Christine,

How glad I was to receive your most welcome letter. I was about ready to give up and try another lead. I waited 6 months for the DAR to tell me the application was restricted. At first they said that they couldn't find it and I waited three months and then they finally found your records when I wrote them the page number and etc.

I am sending you a copy of some material put together by a Lura Woosley several years back and I don't know whether she is living now or not. No one who has written her has received an answer to their correspondence.

I hope that you will find the time to send me a copy of all the material you have found on the Woosley's and especially the widow you traced to Bedford County, Tennessee because I found an old man I believe 90 years named Moses Woosley and Aaron Woosley in Bedford County (think it was census of either 1810 or 20) Wish I could find my notes. Perhaps I could piece it all together for us. I have several early marriage records on the Woosley's and will be glad to share them with you ~~as~~ if you would like to have them and hopefully you will share your records with me. Our common ancestors were Samuel Woosley and brother Aaron. This according to Lura Woosley records and all of the elderly persons here who knew the Woosley family. Samuel was my great-great-great grandfather. He was married to Pheby Bailey, Daughter of Thomas Bailey of Halifax County, Va. in 1797 I believe. I have that marriage license. Samuel's son Joshua was my great-great, and Joshua's son Joseph my great grandfather and Joseph's son Franklin Pierce Woosley was my grandfather. My mother was the daughter of Franklin Pierce, her name was Frona. She died in 1973.Feb.8. My father is Matthew Small and is living at almost 93 years.

I lived in Colorado and Utah for 27 years coming back to Grayson County, Kentucky in 1973. I taught school for eleven years and then went to work for the Department of Agriculture where I am presently working and have just received my 20 year pin.

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306 Sequoia Drive  
Leitchfield, Kentucky 42754

February 19, 1980

Dear Christine,

How glad I was to hear from you. I was just about ready to give up on that track and try another. I have already been trying to get Aaron Woosley's application for 8 months. At first DAR couldn't find it and finally I had to send page No. and etc. so after such a great long time I found it was restricted. So then I wrote you. You can't imagine my joy at hearing from you.

I am sorry for the problems with your son, his accident and all and the doctors now can do wonders so perhaps they can get to his problem and he will be as good as new again.

I am sending you some material compiled a few years back by one Lura Woosley. I don't know whether she is still living at this date but I do know she does not answer correspondence. It is quite good information and she seems to have it all pretty correct.

I would like copied of any material at all that you have on the Woosley family and most of the Ky-Tenn. clan is related I firmly believe. Will be happy to pay for the copies if you will let me know the charge for the zexxing.

If you can let me know what other material on the Woosley's you would like to have I will try to get copies for you. According to Lura Woosley, my great-great-great grandfather Samuel Woosley was a younger brother of your Aaron. Samyel was born in 1775 while I believe your Aaron was born in approximately 1757 or 8 according to his service dates.

Must close now and get to work. My phone number:502-259-5290.

Write or call me and we will have a long chat. Don't forget the material. By working together we may come up with some answers that have been bugging me,(answers to questions)

Sincerely,

Joan Saunders  
Your many times removed  
cousin



June 15, 1967

Research by  
Miss Lura Woosley

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a typed questionnaire to be filled out relative to the Woosley family. He said that Samuel whose date of birth and death are given above, and David and Burl came to Western Kentucky. Burl is also known as Thomas, and he settled in Christian County, near Carulean Springs. He was the father of Dr. J. H. Woosley. Dr. Collins Woosley was also his son (or grandson) I really am not quite sure.

Samuel Woosley was my great-great-grandfather. His sons were Tom, Col. Samuel, Joseph, Joshua and Geo. W. Woosley. The daughters were Martha Williams, and Polly Anderson. I believe there was a ~~daughter~~ daughter who married Haile Bolton, and it seems that her name was Dinah. *True - Dinah married Haile Bolton (son)*  
Tom, son of Samuel!

Phoebe Woosley, his wife, maiden name not known. Dates of birth and death not known. Children: (Black) George, born Dec. 16, 1827, married Phoebe Woosley, 2-5-1830 (daughter of Col. Sam.) Batsey, first married Jim Tomes, parents of Jim Tomes, 2nd marriage to Bluford Nash, parents of Bluford Nash, Samuel, father of Ham, Jack, father of Brock, Jim, Mary (Cricket) married John DeWeese, Dan, half brother, Mart, half brother, and Tom, half brother. ~~(George) *George*~~  
Phoebe Woosley was sister to Geo. <sup>W</sup> Woosley, Martha Williams, etc.

Daughter of Martha Williams, Miss Emma Williams, married Bluford Nash, Children of George W. Woosley and Phoebe Woosley (Dau. of Col. Sam., <sup>ONLY ON HEADSTONE</sup> shown above) 1. Tom Woosley 2. Seaberry, (blind) 3. Louisa, married George Sirles, 4. Becky, married Allen Huff, 5. Polly, married Amos Stinson, 6. Sarah, married Tom Renfro, 7. Bluford, married Angie Claggett, 8. George, married Sis Daugherty, 9. Sidney, married Mary Sipes, 10. Curtis G. married Louisa Mariah Layman, Presbyterian minister Parents of Vianna Woosley Slayton, 11. Samuel

George Washington Woosley, born Feb. 6, 1818, died, July 30, 1892

1st marriage to Julia Siler, born 1-11-1820, died 7-16-1847

Children of this marriage:

Merrill Woosley, married Mary Simpson

Terrell Woosley, married Nancy Jane Oller

2nd marriage, Jennie Goodall

Joseph Woosley, married Susan Nash

Silas Woosley, married Millie Nash

Mary Jane Woosley, married Marshall Oller

2nd marriage of George W. Woosley to Elizabeth Oller

Their Children:

Louis Franklin Woosley, married Lucinda Nash

Cynthia Woosley, married Jasper Tomes--names of children not known

Phoebe Woosley, married Wiley Willis--Frank Willis and Mary Ann Willis Huff

Elvira Woosley, married Sam Nash--Millard Nash, Dina Nash, married George Huff

Julia Woosley, married Ant. Tomes--Ida Tomes, married Mack Tomes

Eliza Woosley, married Henry Willis--Lizzie Willis

Martha Woosley, married Sammie Woosley--son Edward Woosley

Dinah Woosley, married Commodore Embry--Everett Embry  
Elmer Embry Huff  
Ella Embry Ramer  
Nell Embry Whalin

Merrill Woosley's Children, Wife, Mary Simpson

Julia Woosley, married Alford Huff

~~Fanna~~ Emma Woosley, married Charlie Cummings

Fannie Woosley, married Ford

Nannie Woosley, married Woosley

Granville (Gram), married Samantha Huff



John - Woosley, Ready

William, married Eliza bush

Joe, married Bell Nash

Effie, married Embry

Oscar, married Bratker.

Terrell Woosley, married Nancy Jane Ollier

Their Children:

James W. Woosley, married Zilpha Anderson--Children, Fernando and Elbert Woosley

- George Hopson Woosley, married Neda Embry--Children, Lura Woosley Lucy Woosley Sullenger, Jane Woosley, married Charles M. Yeats, George Herman Woosley, married Georgia Dorsey

James Woosley's 2nd wife, Sarah Edwards--Children, Terrell Woosley Kirby Woosley, Harry Woosley, William Woosley, Alma Woosley Malone, Freda Woosley Harris

Julia Woosley Cox--Houchin, no children

Lida Woosley Waldrop--Elwood and Samuel Waldrop

Meda Woosley Sambrook--no children

Terrell Woosley's 2nd marriage to Jennie Goodall

Their children:

Thurman Woosley

Eula Woosley Taylor

Hazel St. Clair

Rhea Woosley Bellamy

Joseph Woosley, married Susan Nash

Their Children:

Tom Woosley, married Stella Huff

Bluford, married Susie Woosley, daughter of Jack Woosley

Cal, married Minnie Huff

Thurman, married

Elizabeth, married Leonard Huff, 2nd time Matchless Ollier

Birdie, married Palmon Miller

Silas Woosley, married Millie Nash, sister to Susan (above)

Their Children:

George Woosley, married Maggie Burks

Curtis Woosley, married Bertie Miller

Bedford Woosley, married Martha Woosley

Eliza Woosley, married Jeff Davis

Julia Woosley, married Thurman Woosley

Mary Jane Woosley, married Marshall Oller

Their Children:

Joseph Terrell Oller

Silas Merrill

George Washington

Cynthia Oller

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