

Correspondence:

Teresa Brmsby wrote <1692@email.msn.com> that she is descendent of Capt. John. Her 4-great grandmother was Frances "Franky" Blakeney, daughter of John Blakeney, Jr. Frances was born 2 May 1800 in Lancaster Co., SC, and died 17 January 1874 in Lancaster Co., SC. Her

buried 1818 in Chesterfield Co., SC, to Henry Shute (1791-1854). The family Bible states her birth date as 2 March 1800, but her obit states 19 November 1799. She is buried at Tabernacle Methodist Church cemetery. She had 12 children:

1. Elizabeth Shute (1819-1895) b & d in Lancaster Co., m. Henry Rowell (1822-1901), 3 children
2. Henry Blakeney Shute (1820-1845) b & d Lancaster Col, SC, M. Elizabeth "Betty" McCain (1822-1906) abt. 1843 in Union Co., SC, 1 son.
3. Jane Shute (1822-1916) b. Lancaster Co., SC; d. Monroe, NC, m. Aaron Plyler (1821-1897), 8 children.
4. John Shute (1824-1896) b. Lancaster Co., SC; d. Monroe, NC, m. Melissa Emmaline Funderbunk in 1850, 12 children.
5. Howell H. Shute (1826-1919) b & d Lancaster Co., SC, m. Jane Belk (1828-1898), 7 children.
6. Sylvester Wesley Shute (1829-1916) b. Lancaster Co., SC, d. Black Hawk, Carroll Col, MS, m. J. L. (unknown) in SC, and she died before 1853.
7. Nancy Shute (1831-1992) b. Lancaster Col, SC, d. Taxahaw, SC, 9 children. Secondly married Joseph Copeland Massey (1828-1864). 3 children.
8. Caroline Shute (1833-1892) b & d Lancaster Co., SC, m. Richard Elliott (1828-1883) in 1851 in Lancaster Co., SC, 10 children.
9. Eilthy "Eli" Shute (1836-1878) born in Lancaster Co., SC, d. Black Hawk, Carroll Co., MS, m. Mary Ann Clementine McManus Massey (1842-1891) in 1858 in SC, 6 children (Teresa' line).
10. Ellender Shute (1836-1933) b & d Lancaster Co., SC, m. John Alexander Threat in 1854 in SC, 2 children. Secondly married John W. Carnes (1871-1952), 3 children.
11. Frances Marion Shute (1842-abt. 1888) b. Lancaster Co., SC, d. Rockwall Co., TX. Secondly m. unknown, 1 son.
12. Doctor James Shute (actual name) (1845-1915) b & d in Lancaster Co., SC, m. Kate Ann Snipe (1870-1925), 3 children.

Report of Genealogy Committee:

There has been considerable confusion regarding the birth and death dates of Thomas, the birth dates of his children, particularly William, and the identity of his first wife, as well as when he arrived in Alabama. There follows a proposed report to the Family on the business of dates and for your consideration and approval

Tom Blakeney was probably born ca. 1807 Chesterfield, SC, and died 2 June 1806 according to his estate papers. His marker gives a date of 1892, and adds that he died at age 92. We know that he wrote at least 2 deeds after 1892. If he was 92 at time of death he would have been b. 1804. 1830 census no record. 1840 census age 30-40 = 1800-1810; 1850 census age 43 = 1807. 1860 census age 51 = 1809. 1870 census age 41. Not possible, but he now had a young wife. 1880 census age 69 = 1811. All things considered, the age is most likely the 1807 date suggested by the 1850 census. Tom might have arrived in Tuscaloosa/Fayette County between 1826 and 1831. His friend and brother-in-law Simon Poe, also from Chesterfield Co., SC., patented land in 1826, as did Tom's brothers Hugh and John. Tom did not patent land until 1832, but could have been on the land for some time prior to filing for the land grant.

We are satisfied that the identity of Tom's first wife is Sarah Roberts, dau. of Josiah Roberts and Mary Linsey from Rutherford Co., NC who settled just across the Tuscaloosa line between 1826 and 1831. They were probably married in Tuscaloosa County about 1831, since that is where the bride lived, but no marriage record found. She was age 20-30 in the 1840 census = 1810-1820, She was 41 on the 1850 census = 1809. She died 13 Feb 1860 according to the 1860 Fayette Co. Mortality Census. (Her marker shows 1859). We believe she was born 1809 in Rutherford, NC. Supporting information: She had a sister Kizziah (Fondren) who lived nearby for a time, and a child named Kizziah. Thomas had land transactions including holding a mortgage for Josiah Roberts, believed to be her father, and deeds with Amos P. Roberts, her brother. Rebecca Roberts, her sister was in Tom's house in 1870 and 1880, taking care of William's children. Another sister, Dicie Roberts married Tom's good friend Simon Poe, and lived in Tom's household in 1880 census after her husband's death.

Children of Thomas Blakeney and Sarah Roberts:

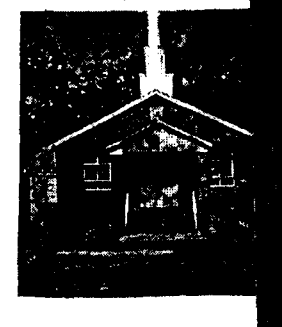
Deaths:

Garland L. "Mac" McAdams, age 78, of 510 60th Court, Northport, died Dec. 21, 2000. Services will be 2 p.m. Sunday, at Magnolia Chapel, Northport with Rev. Jerrell Spruill and Rev. John Higginbotham officiating. Burial will follow in Camp Ground Methodist Church Cemetery with Magnolia Chapel of Northport directing.

Survivors include his wife, **Nancy L. McAdams**; daughters, **Sandra McAdams Towne (Ron)**, **Glenda Knighten Thigpen (Ed)**, **Annelle McAdams Blair (Donny)** and **Nancy Ann McAdams (Ray)**; **Compie Garhart (Ray)**; **Effie Gay McAdams Sanders**, brothers, **Searcy Ray McAdams (Hazel)** and **George Rae McAdams (Juanita)**; grandchildren, **Abby McAdams**, a granddaughter for whom he contributed a great deal to her up bringing as well as 12 additional and very special grandchildren and four beautiful great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. McAdams, Sr., and adaughter, **Donna Knighten Jones**

Mr. McAdams was a World War II veteran and employed by B. F. Goodrich tire manufacturing plant for 41 years. He always extended a helping hand to those in need, no matter how small or large the request for assistance. Mr. "Mac" McAdams taught a Sunday School class for his church, which he thoroughly enjoyed. He was a loving, devoted husband, father and grandfather who went out of his way to accommodate requests and needs of friends and acquaintances; as he was a very kind and generous person who will be deeply missed and loved always. Mr. McAdams was active in the Masons and will have a Masonic service. He was past master of J. Collier Foster Lodge #906. Pallbearers will be Masons of J. Collier Foster Lodge #906.

Walter Blakney's wife died December 26 and Walter died January 7, 2001. Walter was descended from Jerry Blakney, who was a slave child of Thomas Blakney. His daughter said that Walter's acquaintance with his white relatives was very meaningful to him. Water was age 88 and a retired U.S. Army Veteran. He was buried at Elmwood Cemetery. He is survived by three daughters: **Gwendolyn (Herman) Shepherd**, **Deloris Riggs**, and **Glynnda (Billy) Reed**; three sons: **Edward Earl (Charlisa) Blakney**, **Walter James Blakney**, and **Reginald Blakney**; three brothers: **Porter Lee (Elizabeth) Blakney**, **Jonathan (Margaret) Blakney**, and **Jimmie (Alice) Blakney**; 20 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.



Photographs top left clockwise: The Nashville Wilsons view a family members grave; The Tuscaloosa Blakney brothers and wives; attendees at the 2000 reunion pose for a group snapshot; Blakeney's who came from Mobile and Aliceville, AL; Family members posed in Shepard Church; and Shepard's Church, Newtonville.



New Addresses and Changes:

Bud Blakney
109 Circle Drive
Aliceville, AL 35442

Loyd Blakney
214 1st Street, NE
Aliceville, AL 35442

~~Floyd and Geraldine Blakney
3615 32nd Street
Tuscaloosa, AL 35401~~

~~Tuscaloosa, AL 35401~~

Harvey Blakeney
1200 Matterhorn Street
Mobile, AL 36608

Angela and Floyd Wilson
Beth Wilson
752 Newberry Road
Nashville, TN 37205

Rhodes(Doc) Holliman, who has been researching where William Blakeney was buried has been told that Confederates were buried in the churchyard of the Calhoun Methodist Church and in the churchyard of the old Calhoun Presbyterian Church. These were temporary graves and, after the war, the remains were removed to Silverdale, among other places.

Silverdale Confederate Cemetery

<http://www.carha.org/id20.htm>

This site is located just off of Exit 7B on Interstate 75, at Tyner, TN. Steel Harley Davidson is located adjacent to this site.

Fort Hill Cemetery in Cleveland, TN, on a display of USGS Topo Maps. www.topozone.com and enter "Cleveland - TN" in the search boxes. You will get a large scale map of Cleveland, TN. Then the 1:25,000 scale and Fort Hill Cem. will appear in the southern part of Cleveland in the lower left side of the map.

Births:

Reggie and Khristi Motley have become parents of a girl, Khristina Claire, to join two brothers, Preston and Christian. Khristi is the daughter of Amelia Sprill and granddaughter of Glennie Ashcraft.

Adoptions:

Horace and Kate's daughter and son-in-law, Loretta and Scott Kahler, have returned from a trip to Russia, where they adopted a girl, whom they have named Katelyn ~~Meria. Meria was her original name in Russia.~~

Graduates:

Lela Pratt, granddaughter of Montie and Jim Dye graduated from Appalachian State in Boone, N.C., in May, 2000, and is now employed by that school as Assistant Sports Information Director.

Crystal Sutphin (daughter of Pamela Callais; Granddaughter of Phyllis Ann Lyday) won third place (at Sinclair Elementary School's in the fifth grader's science fair) for her project "What Kind of Hitchhikers Are Out There?" She showed there are micro-organisms are found on items in her school. Because of this award, she was invited to participate in the Prince William County Science Fair to show her project. Congratulations!

Daughter of Richard Arnold, granddaughter of Gladys Arnold, and great-granddaughter of William Thomas graduated from high school.

Sickness:

Horace Taylor, husband of Kate Taylor and son-in-law of the late Glennie Ashcraft is recuperating from 6 by-pass grafts.

Change of Address:

Pam Doty, daughter of Montie and Jim Dye, and Michael Doty are now living in Knoxville, TN. Michael has been appointed Archdeacon of that regional diocese of the Episcopal Church. Pam is editor of "The Episcopalian", which is the state paper.

New Job:

Pamela Callais, granddaughter of Emerson Blakney, is now working in the Library of the U.S. Geological Survey in Reston, Va.

Awards:

Crystal Sutphin (daughter of Pamela Callais; Granddaughter of Phyllis Ann Lyday) was accepted into the Stonewall Middle School International Baccalaurete Middle Years Program. She's been told if she can hang in for the first grading period, her school work will become easier. She's been told this will be a challenging program with a lot of extra homework; she's also required to do community service. Let's encourage Crystal to stay organized so she can stay on top of her assignments.

The Blakeney Family met at Sheppard's Church on Saturday, August 19, 2000, beginning with registration at 9 am. Thirty four individuals were in attendance. Pamela Callais prepared a booklet with the family geneology of the previous year's reunion attendees with addresses. She and Rebecca Paquette corrected addresses, and the family pages, and made name-tags for participants.

Adolph Blakeney and his son and grandson had cleaned the Sheppard Church Cemeteries and led participants on a tour. The time that we had to tour was only an hour and a half, but the heat was a factor in coming back to the church and the air-conditioning.

Kay Blakeney has arranged for barbecue chicken and pork and side dishes and deserts. There was much discussion during lunch with first time attendees as follow Willie and Sadie Blakeney and Willies' brother Floyd and sister-in-law Geraldine Blakeney (Tuscaloosa), Harvey Blakeney (Mobil), and Clyde Holcomb and his son Tom Holcomb (Texas), Loyd Blakeney and his son Bud Blakeney (Aliceville), and Beth Wilson and her parents Angela and Floyd Wilson (Tennessee). Pictures were taken of the group and individual family groups.

Officers elected for the year were Phyllis Lyday, President, Adolph Blakeney, Vice-President, Pat Parten, Treasurer, and Pamela Callais, Secretary (Newsletter).

The next reunion was decide to be at the same location and time but a change to the first Saturday of August in hopes of cooler weather.

Walt Holliman and his committee presented information about some birth, marriage, and death dates of family members that varied. He presented the committee findings and there was much discussion about the dates (page6).

At three o'clock we vacated the Church until August 4, 2001.

Treasurer's Report:

Income 2000	
Meals	\$267.00
Donations	100.00
Total	\$367.00
Expenses 200	
Food	192.50
Postage	33.00
Church	100.00
Total	\$325.50
Net July 9, 2001	\$ 25.50

Please help us by keeping this form near the refrigerator or other location as a reminder to update the mailing list and keep genealogical charts current when circumstances change.

Name: _____

Address: Street _____

City _____ State _____

Phone number and/or E-mail address: _____

News for the Newsletter:

Computer update:

The web site has move to the following URL"s:

<<http://www.johnblakeney.freesevers.com>

<<http://www.captjohnblakeney.freesevers.com> Blakneys in US

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THE DESCENDANTS
OF
CAPTAIN JOHN BLAKENEY
(C. 1732-1832)
REQUEST THE HONOR OF
YOUR PRESENCE
AT THE ANNUAL
BLAKENEY FAMILY REUNION
SATURDAY, AUGUST 4, 2001
AT SHEPPARD'S BAPTIST CHURCH
NEWTONVILLE, AL
REGISTRATION AT 9:00 A.M.
CEMETERY TOUR AT 10:00 A.M.
CATERED LUNCH AT NOON
BBQ CHICKEN/ PORK, ROLLS, SLAW, POTATO SALAD, DRINKS, DESERTS
HOT DOGS, PIZZA
BUSINESS MEETING AT 1:00 P.M.
*Will include Guest Speaker
Rhodes Holliman, MD
who will update us on research into William
Blakeney's Grave Site*

*\$9 per adult
\$6 per child 12 and under
Free for children under 3*

Directions: Newtonville is on 171 between Tuscaloosa and Fayette at the Fayette side of the county line. The Church is between route 12 E and W.
Reunion update:

