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July 7, 1938

Miss Elizabeth Webb
Williamston, S.C.

Dear Cousin Elizabeth:

Looking over some of my innumerable letters which have piled up through the years, this afternoon, I ran across one from you containing some interesting family data which leads me to feel sure we are related in a definite degree.

Accordingly, I am sending you the enclosed data which may help you in determining just what, if any relationship, does exist between your Guyton family there and ours here in Mississippi.

I know Judge Percy Guyton of Kosciusko, his brother, Hon. Joe Guyton, Attorney-at-Law, Kosciusko, and Prof. Grady Guyton, Professor of Economics at the University of Mississippi, Oxford. They have a sister, Pearl Guyton, Kosciusko, whom I have never had the privilege of meeting.

My father, Capt. Joseph J. Guyton, born in North Carolina, just across the State line from Union District in South Carolina, was the oldest son of Abraham Jenkins and Luvicy Warlick Guyton. My father was born in 1840 and died in 1919. I am his oldest son and I have two brothers and two sisters, J. Frank Guyton and Will Norton Guyton, both of Blue Mountain, Miss., and Pearl Vivian Guyton, Natchez, Miss., and Callie D. Guyton, Blue Mountain, Miss. One of my brothers, Frank, has been a successful business man for many years. He has two sons and two daughters, all of his children but one being college graduates. Norton, my other brother, has been Postmaster here for more than twenty years. His two children, a son and a daughter, are both college graduates too. Pearl, my sister, is Teacher of History in the City Schools of Natchez and author of the State Text in Mississippi History used in the public schools. Callie is a successful business woman. Our mother was Callie D. Hoyle whose family record has just been published, a volume of more than fifteen hundred pages, edited by Mrs. Elizabeth Hoyle Rucker, Charlotte, N.C.

My wife was Corinne O'Neal Rogers, a direct descendant of William Graham of Charlotte, N.C., one of the signers of the Mecklenberg Declaration of Independence. My wife and I have no children. She teaches, too, just as I do, in Blue Mountain College, being a woman of wonderful personality and of unusual achievement in life.

Though I lost my sight at the age of eleven, I have been busy all my life, and have been on the faculty of Blue Mountain College for thirty-three years, being a full professor of History and Economics. I have degrees from Blue Mountain College, the University of Mississippi and Columbia University New York City. I have been writing for more than a quarter of a century and am now on the staff of two daily newspapers. I have had more than two hundred poems published during the past few years, and for five years have been President of the Bank of Blue Mountain. I am included in the forthcoming edition of Who's Who in America. My wife served for four years as the only matron on the Board of Trustees of the University and State Colleges of Mississippi by appointment of Gov. M.S. Conner.

Recently, I was awarded a medal by the Brooklyn Week for the Blind as one of the five most successful blind persons in the U.S. in lines of work not usually pursued by the blind.

(The writer apologized for personal remarks etc etc. and signed:

Cordially yours, David E. Guyton.

(A most remarkable person--Webb).

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JAMES T. CRAWLEY
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WILLIAM D. BROOKS
JOHN D. GUYTON

May 24, 1965

Miss Elizabeth Webb,
Route 1, Box 279,
Williamston, South Carolina. 29697.

Dear Miss Webb:

I am very much interested in tracing the family and descendants of Aaron Guyton and his wife, Margaret McCurdy. Aaron Guyton was a Revolutionary War soldier, lived in Anderson County, South Carolina, and is, I understand, one of your ancestors. I am descended through two of their children--Joseph and Mary--as you will see from the enclosed chart. Recently, I have become interested in family history, especially of the Guyton family, and I am now trying to trace the original settlers in this country from Maryland.

Surprisingly enough, there is quite a bit of information on the public records here in Attala County, Mississippi, on the descendants of Aaron and Margaret McCurdy Guyton. This comes about by the settlement of the estate of Aaron Whitaker Guyton, one of their children. My great-grandfather, Joseph Guyton, moved from Hall County, Georgia, to Attala County, Mississippi, in 1843 or 1844. His bachelor brother, Aaron Whitaker Guyton (known here as "Whit"),

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from his heirs by his youngest son, Joseph William Sutherland Guyton (J.W.S. Guyton).

Aaron Whitaker Guyton died here in 1883, and left a will in which he devised 280 acres to some of his Negroes. Otherwise, he died intestate, and owned several hundred acres of additional land and a fair amount of money and personal property for those lean times. J. W. S. Guyton, his nephew, was named executor. J. W. S. Guyton was my great-uncle, youngest brother of my grand-father, David Thomas Guyton. Apparently, J. W. S. Guyton undertook to purchase the interests of all the heirs of Aaron Whitaker Guyton in both the land and personal estate. This was quite an undertaking, because in 1883 the heirs were quite numerous and scattered. I doubt that he ever did obtain deeds from all of them. However, there are twenty-nine land deeds, containing over 100 signatures, on record here from the heirs of Aaron Whitaker Guyton. Unfortunately, the estate file is missing from the courthouse, except for the probate of the will. There was a settlement by the executor, but the accounts are not recorded. However, a partial list of the names of the heirs can be picked up from the Chancery Minute Book and Docket Books, as well as from the land deed records.

Unfortunately, also, it is difficult to properly classify all the heirs, due to the fact that the deeds and court records do not deraign the inheritance of the parties listed, and due to the lamentable custom of use of initials for male and female, married and unmarried,

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parent and child, and due to the fact that the records are copied in handwriting that is difficult to read and the spelling is often poor.

Evidently, J. W. S. Guyton undertook to pay \$1,000.00 for each main share (brother or sister of Aaron Whitaker Guyton), as this is the total figure added up for those families I am able to put together with certainty, and is the exact amount paid to G. Guyton, of Red River County, Texas, the only living brother at the time.

In your family, there is one deed, which I take to contain most of the heirs of Elizabeth Guyton Webb, although the total adds up to only \$800.00, leading me to believe that we are short one heir, or that the missing one is contained on another deed. An abstract of the deed from the Webb heirs is enclosed.

Also, enclosed are abstracts of two deeds from heirs of Hannah Guyton Smith, who I understand is also connected with your family. There is great uncertainty in my mind in sorting out the heirs of Hannah Guyton Smith, Sarah M. Guyton Duckworth, Robert McCurdy Guyton, Margaret Watson Guyton Steele, and John Washington Guyton. My guess is that more are omitted in the Smith and Steele descendants. One thing is certain, and that is that they were all prolific.

The Joseph Guyton and Aaron Whitaker Guyton lands are still owned by the descendants of J. W. S. Guyton, who are my second cousins. I

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the Mississippi Guyton's and those living in South Carolina and elsewhere.

Do you know if there was an administration on Margaret McCurdy Guyton's Estate, in South Carolina, or on Guyton Guyton's Estate in Texas?

I thought you might be interested in this information, as I have been told that you are quite interested in such matters.

Should you have the time to spare, I would appreciate your filling in for me any information on the Webb and Smith descendants of Aaron and Margaret McCurdy Guyton, so I can properly identify and classify the family information I have from these Attala County records.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John D. Guyton". The signature is written in dark ink and is centered on the page.

John D. Guyton

Encls.

Aaron Guyton
(b. 1761 Baltimore Co., Md.
d. 1841 Anderson Co., S.C.)

m.

Margaret McCurdy
(b. 1773 York Co., S.C.
d. 1864 Anderson Co., S.C.)

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Mary Guyton
(b. 1791, Anderson Co., S.C.
d. 1853, St. Francoise Co., Mo.)

m.

David Sherrill
(b. 1788, Anderson Co., S.C.?
d. 1855 St. Francoise Co., Mo.)

Joseph Guyton
(b. 1805 Anderson Co., S.C.
d. 1880 Attala Co., Miss.)

m.

Zemuly Coats McCleskey
(b. 1811 Hall Co., Ga.,
d. 1872 Attala Co., Miss.)

Harriett Amanda Sherrill
(b. 1820 Anderson Co., S.C.
d. 1883 Attala Co., Miss.)

m.

Daniel Harrison Ellington
(b. 1815 in S. C.
d. 1883 Attala Co., Miss.)

Sarah Susannah Boyd Ellington
(b. 1850 Attala Co., Miss.
d. 1927 Attala Co., Miss.)

m.

David Thomas Guyton
(b. 1838 Hall Co., Ga.
d. 1911 Attala Co., Miss.)

Joseph Daniel Guyton
(b. 1880 Attala Co., Miss.
d. 1957 Attala Co., Miss.)

m.

Jemima Emaris Owen
(b. 1884, Attala Co., Miss.)

John Davis Guyton
(b. 1921, Attala Co., Miss.)

1830

E. W. Webb et als.

Quitclaim Deed

To

Dated: July 20, 1886

J. W. S. GUYTON

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States a total consideration of \$800.00, paid to the following named persons, viz:

Delila L. Gambrel - \$200.00 (signs by mark)

E. W. Webb - \$200.00 (signs E. W. Wilson ?)

A. C. Webb - \$ 66.66

W
Doyton Webb - \$ 66.66 (maybe Dayton)

Mattie Smith - \$ 66.66

James E. Wilson - \$ 25.00

M. C. Wilson
Wm. C. Wilson - \$ 25.00 (maybe signed W. M.?)

Charles W. Wilson
Charles W. Wilson - \$ 25.00 (maybe signed Charles M.)

Lizzie Martin - \$ 25.00 (signed G. E. Martin)

Mary Owen - \$ 25.00 (signed M. H. Owen)

Augusta Anderson - \$ 25.00 (signed by mark, A. H. or A. M. Anders)

Maggie Wilson - \$ 25.00 (signed M A. Wilson)

L. C. Wilson
L. C. Wilson - \$25.00 (signed N. L. Wilson?)

All of the above acknowledge the deed in Anderson County,
South Carolina.

J. B. Smith

Quitclaim Deed

To

Dated: January 21, 1888

J. W. S. Guyton

Book "00", page 566

States a consideration of \$200.00, and is acknowledged in
Anderson County, South Carolina.

E. K. Smith, et als.

Quitclaim Deed

To

Dated: January 13, 1888

J. W. S. Guyton

Book "00", Page 557.

States a total consideration of \$85.71, being \$28.50 paid
"to each of the following being the bodily heirs of Frank M. Smith,
deceased, who was a bodily heir of Hannah Smith, nee Guyton, deceased,
. . . .:"

P. D. Smith - Acknowledges in Carzall (Coryell?) County, Texas.

E. K. Smith - Acknowledges in McLennan County, Texas.

W. T. Smith - Acknowledges in Wilson County, Texas.

- 1667 Ann y^e Dafter of Thomas & Sarey Beckwith Borne the 8 of Nouember,
and Baptized the 17 day, 1667.
Ebenezer y^e Sonn of Wilt last Baptised the 25 of Desember, 1667.
Elesebeth y^e Dafter of Simon & Rose Gogne Baptised y^e 29 of Desember,
1667.
John y^e Sonn of Wilt & Elezebeth Coocke Baptised Jencu y^e 12, 1667.
Eelezebeth y^e Dafter of Jesack & Elezebeth Cooper Borne y^e 26 of
Jeneuery, and Baptised y^e 2 of ffebuery, 1667.
Vallinton y^e Sonn of Mathew & Rebeck Samon Bap y^e 16 of ffebu, 1667.
Ann y^e Dafter of Cllement & Mathew Dahes Bapty y^e 19 of ffebu, 1667.
Sarey y^e Dafter of John & Ann Beccraft Baptised y^e furst of march, 1667.
1668 Jesper y^e Sonn of Jesper & Ann Hegman Baptised y^e 5 of Aprell, 1668.
Hercules son to Hercules & Elizabeth ffoster baptised May y^e 14th, 1668.
Mary the Daughter of Thomas Booty and Anne his wiffe was borne May
y^e 15, Baptized May y^e 17, 1668.
Mary the daughter of Joseph Emperall was Baptized may the 31, 1668.
John the Sonne of M^r Lenard Gleane and of Elyzabeth his wife was Borne
the 1 of June and was Baptized the 9 of June in the yeare 1668.
Petter the Sonne of John Spinsbee was Baptized y^e 28 of June, 1668.
Mary Wynn y^e Daughter of Timothy Wynn and of Amy his wife was
baptized July y^e 26, 1668.
John Tiller the Sonne of Edward Tiller and of Margret his wife, borne
the 2 of Septem. and Baptized the 13 of September, 1668.
Joseph The Sonne of Joseph Harwood and of Martha his wife was
brorne (*sic*) the 25 of September and Baptized the 29 in the yeare
of our lord 1668.
Robert the Sonne of Robert Hindles and of Mary his wife was Baptized
October the 25, 1668.
Augusten The Sonne of Augusten and Susan Scotto Borne and Baptized
Nouember the 10 in the yeare 1668.
George the Sonne of M^r Thomas Morley,⁹ Minester of God's Worde, and
Sonne of Martha his wife Baptized Nouember 13, 1668.
→ Samuell the Sonne of Samuell Gytton Baptized Jenuary the 10, 1668.
Hester the Daughter of Richard Gray Baptized ffebruary the 14, 1668.

The names of them that ware Baptized in St Georges Atombland
in the yeare 1669.

- 1669 Elizabeth the Daughter of Robert Manne and Mary his wife was
Baptized Aprill the 11, in the yare 1669.

⁹ Thomas Morley, A.M., Rector of Rockland
Totts, 1663; Rector of Larking in 1673. In the
register of St. Benedict's, Norwich, is the

following entry:—"p. lic. Mr. Thomas Morley,
Clerke, and M^{rs} Martha Watts, married 22th of
January, 1666[7]."

MARTIN PALACE NORWICH

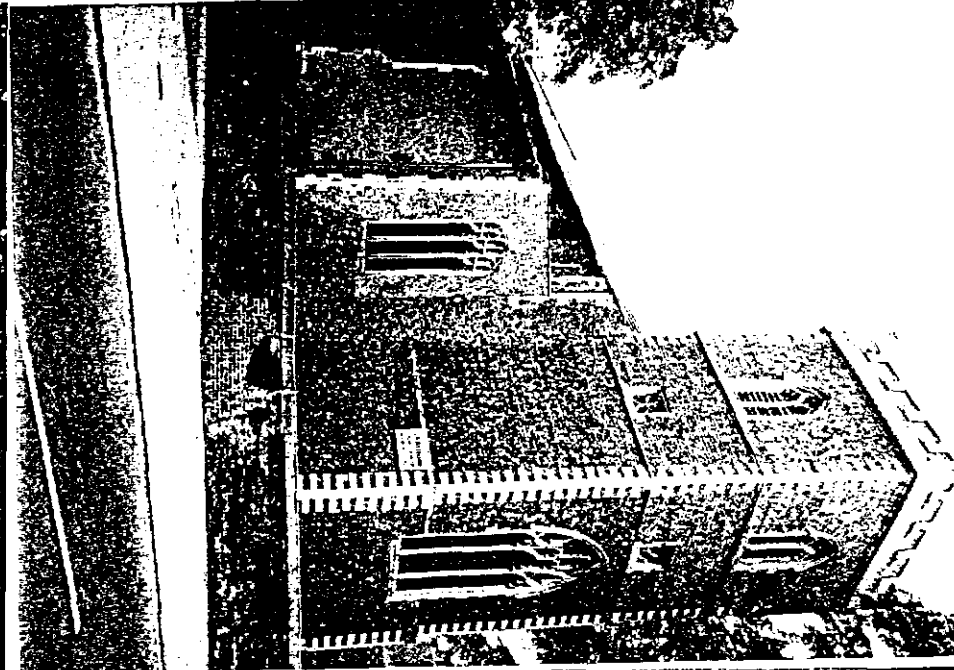
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1696	Jul 12	SMITH	Tho s of Chas & Eliz
	27	CURTIES	Wm s of Wm & Amy
	Aug 5	FISHER	Wm s of Tho & Urs
	16	KEYMER	J ⁿ s of Wm & Eliz
	18	HOWES	Hugh s of Tho & Eliz
	18	KINNAMON	Elisha s of Elisha & Eliz
	22	SHEERING	Wm s of Hen & Eliz
	23	WILLTON	Rob s of Wm & Sus
	24	GREENWOODS	J ⁿ s of Hugh & Han
	Sep 6	BEECROFT	Geo s of Geo & Lyd
	26	COCKLE	J ⁿ s of Phil & Eliz
	30	AGGS	Tho s of J ⁿ & Sus
	Oct 13	HARVEY	An d of Framingham & Rose
	17	VIOLL	Deb base d of Naomi
	Nov 2	CONIES	Sus d of Wm & Sus
	5	STREACH	Eliz d of Tho & Eliz
	8	KILLBORNE	Sar d of Rob & Sar
	Dec 13	CALLCOCKE	Th d of Theoph. & Sar
	Jan 2	TANT	Francis s of Francis & Eliz
	2	BURRAGE	Tho s of Tho & Eliz
	18	BAXTER	Phil s of Phil & Eliz
	19	HAGAN	Rob s of Rob & Eliz
	Feb 7	PLUMSTEAD	Wm s of Rob & Sar
	19	GYTON	J ⁿ s of Sam & Hgt
	24	PYKE	Ben s of Ben & Eliz
	28	COCKE	J ⁿ s of J ⁿ & Jane

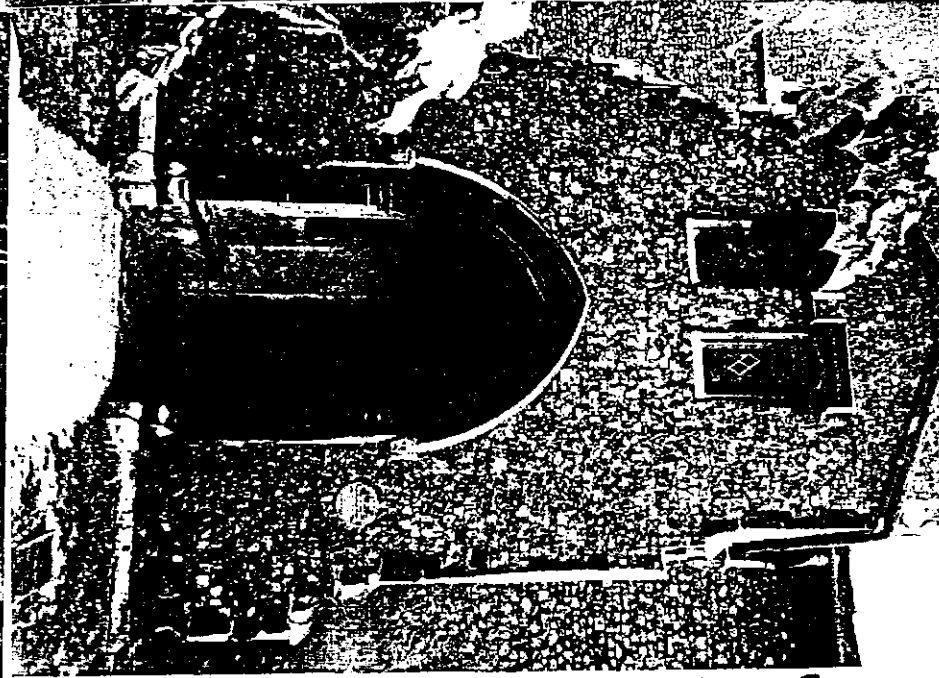
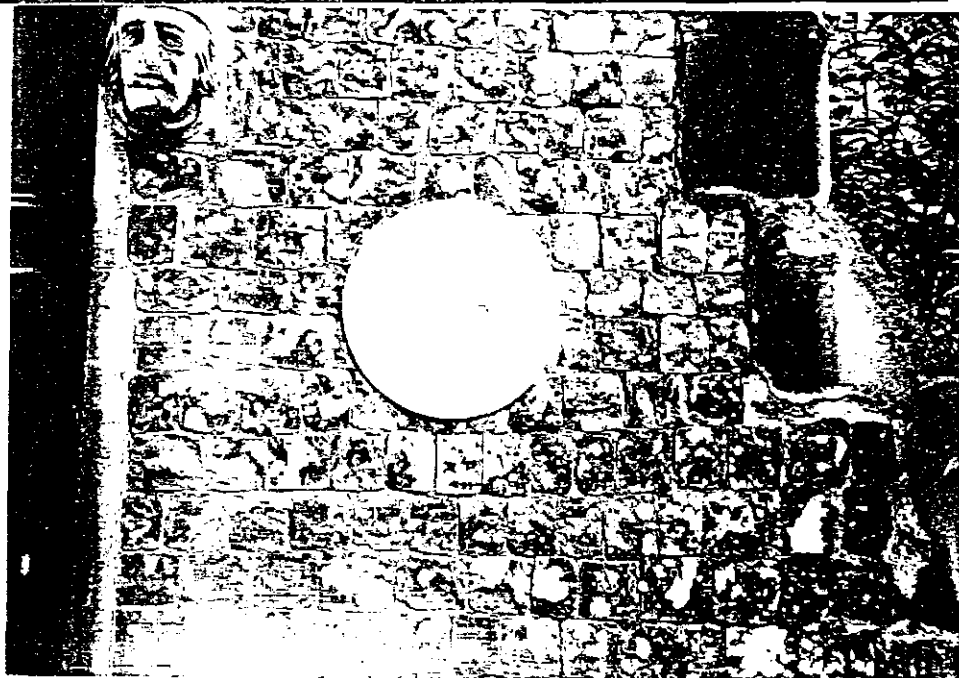
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Norwich, England



Left side - front St Martins at
Palace Norwich, England June 1988



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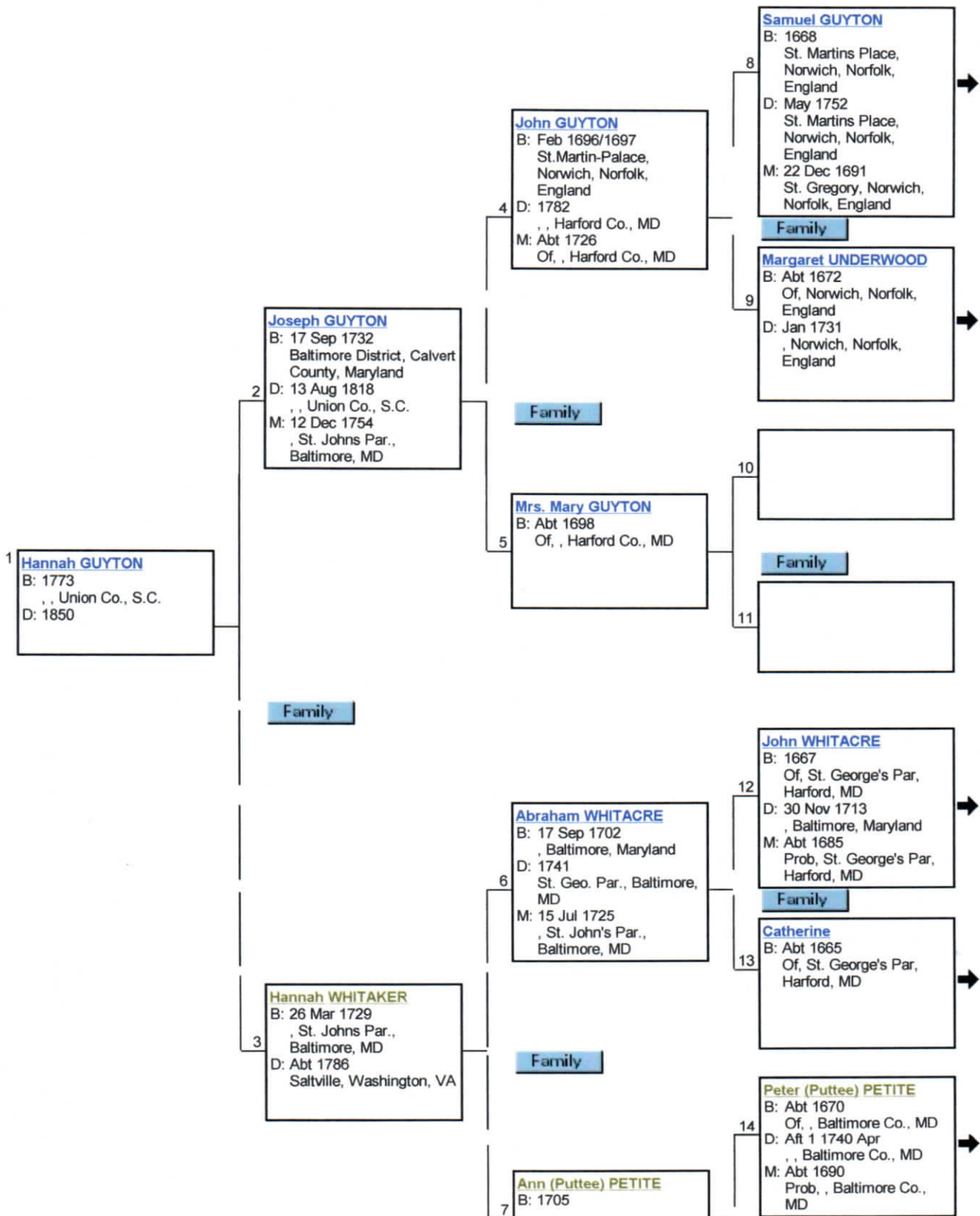


Close up (left side) St Martins at Palace
Norwich, England

Entrance (right side) St Martins at Palace
Norwich, England

Pedigree Chart

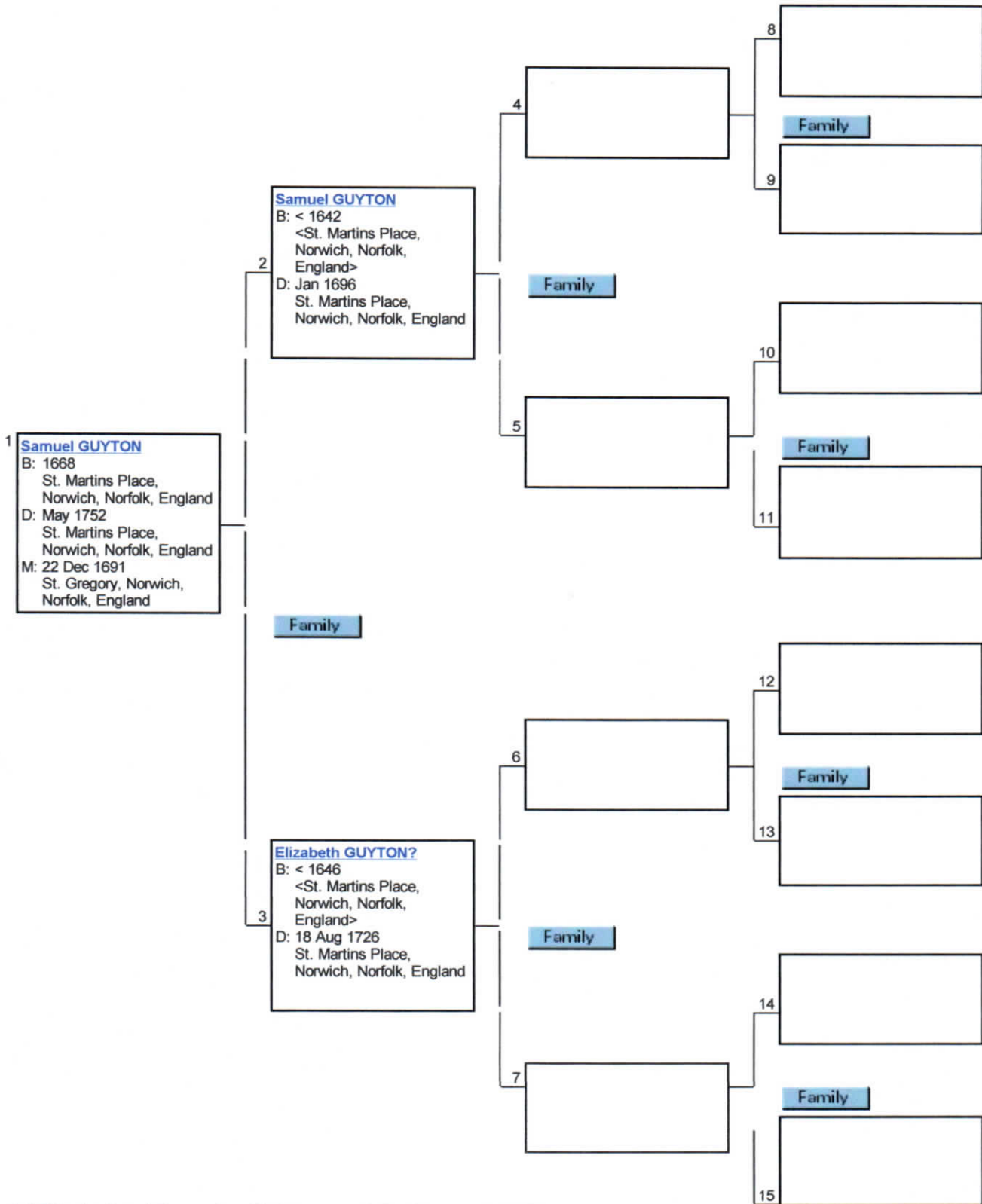
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Family Group Record

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Husband's Name

[Joseph GUYTON](#) (AFN:93D4-LD)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: 17 Sep 1732 **Place:** Baltimore District, Calvert County, Maryland
Died: 13 Aug 1818 **Place:** , , Union Co., S.C.
Married: 12 Dec 1754 **Place:** , St. Johns Par., Baltimore, MD

Father: [John GUYTON](#) (AFN:93D5-KC)

[Family](#)

Mother: [Mrs. Mary GUYTON](#) (AFN:93D5-LJ)

Wife's Name

[Hannah WHITAKER](#) (AFN:93D4-MK)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: 26 Mar 1729 **Place:** , St. Johns Par., Baltimore, MD
Died: Abt 1786 **Place:** Saltville, Washington, VA
Married: 12 Dec 1754 **Place:** , St. Johns Par., Baltimore, MD

Father: [Abraham WHITACRE](#) (AFN:8W6P-35)

[Family](#)

Mother: [Ann PUTEE](#) (AFN:8W6P-96)

Children

1. Sex Name

M [John GUYTON](#) (AFN:93D4-R8)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: 1784 **Place:** , , Union Co., S.C.
Died: 1826 **Place:**

2. Sex Name

M [Aaron Steele GUYTON](#) (AFN:93D4-1G)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: 26 Oct 1761 **Place:** , , Baltimore Co., MD
Died: 30 Jun 1841 **Place:** , , Anderson Co., S.C.
Buried: 1841 **Place:** , Old Hopewell Cem, Anderson, S.C.

3. Sex Name

M [Moses GUYTON](#) (AFN:93D4-NQ)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: 27 Oct 1758 **Place:** Of, , Baltimore Co., MD
Died: 18 Feb 1817 **Place:**

4. Sex Name

M [Abraham GUYTON](#) (AFN:93D4-PW)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: 6 Dec 1765 **Place:** , , Union Co., S.C.
Died: 15 Feb 1815 **Place:**

5. Sex Name

M [Joseph GUYTON](#) (AFN:93D4-Q3)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: 1776 **Place:** , , Union Co., S.C.
Died: Bef 2 1865 Aug **Place:**

6. Sex Name

F [Mary GUYTON](#) (AFN:93D4-SF)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: Abt 1770 **Place:** , , Union Co., S.C.

7. Sex Name

F [Hannah GUYTON](#) (AFN:93D4-TL)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: 1773 **Place:** , , Union Co., S.C.

Died: 1850 **Place:**

8. Sex Name

F [Elizabeth GUYTON](#) (AFN:93D4-VR)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: Abt 1774 **Place:** , , Union Co., S.C.

9. Sex Name

F [Molly Or Margaret GUYTON](#) (AFN:93D4-WX)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: Abt 1776 **Place:** , , Union Co., S.C.

10. Sex Name

F [Sarah GUYTON](#) (AFN:93D4-X4)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: 29 Oct 1763 **Place:** , , S.C.

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