I received this note from Lynn Fusinato, who"in my book" is a respected and careful researcher. She has some valid points. Yes, the "top" of the tree still has issues that need sorted out. I explained to her that the tree is based on a combination of research Joe Parker sent me, George's book (that GEDCOM of about 4K that we initially used), what Denise has rooted out for us, and heaven knows what from various conversations on our YAHOO group.

Anyhow, if anyone has the time to take on a study of the William guys, I would love you forever for it. I know Denise is taking a hiatus, Joe is hopefully unpacking after a move, and everyone has a busy life. I have four gkids coming in a few days  for a two week visit.

If no one has time presently to study this, I will let her know that we will take a look as soon as we can, but it will take some time.

Jeanette

**From:** Lynn Fusinato <lynnfusinato@yahoo.com>
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**To:** stuffnsuch50@hotmail.com
**Subject:** William Holliman 1689-

Hi Jeanette,

    I am getting ready to make another genealogy research trip to NC in August.  I am trying to figure out where my Thomas Holloman (d. 1796 Wake Co. NC) came from, ie where he was before I first find him in Wake Co. records in 1774.  As Wake Co. was formed 1770-1771 and my Thomas lived in the southeast part of Omstead State Park, I decided to create a map by overlaying the 1768 NC county formation map over a current Google map of the Raleigh area.  I found that the area I am interested in was in Johnston Co. NC, before 1770.  Until now, I have avoided researching the Hollymans in Johnston County but I now realize it is likely my Thomas may have been in the same place before 1774 and 1770 which means he likely was in Johnston County.

So this weekend I looked at court minutes and deed records for Johnston Co for period between 1750-1775.  I could see the group who were Glenn's Hollimans and that there was the William Holloman/Holliman who was associated with Harmon Holloman in a court case in Johnston Co. NC, May 1770, Wm Holleman vs. Jesse Stallins.  This William apparently did not appear to be very closely aligned with Glenn's Hollimans who were very closely aligned with each other. So today I decided to look at the Hollyman Family Tree to see what I could find about the various Hollymans in Johnston Co.  I found it is not very easy to find those people in the tree.  Eventually I was able to figure out how to find them.

Anyway, I find that ya'll have assigned that William Holleman/Holliman (1728-1819) as son of William Hollyman, b. abt 1689.  Was it because according to the Hollyman Family Book by George Holleman, William Hollyman (b. 1662–1704) had a son William who also had a son William said to have died ca 1817?  Also why would you say William (b. abt 1728) was born in Johnston County?

Your tree  indicates that the William, son of William Hollyman (b. 1662–1704), was born about 1689 • Isle of Wight, Virginia and died at some unknown date and place.  Have you found any other documentation to support that William was born actually abt 1689 and your assignment of the William in Johnston County as his son along with John (d. 1769) and Mary (which should actually be Robert) as his children other than the Hollyman Family Book assignment of William (d. ca 1817) to William, son of William Hollyman (b. 1662–1704)?  Also why do you indicate that William Hollyman (b. 1662–1704) moved to Henderson Co. TN as that doesn't seem likely to me?

In the past I have tried to trace the history of the William Holleman/Holliman (according to your tree: 1728-1819) before he moved from Bute Co. to Johnston Co in about 1769-1770.  I shared the info I found with the Hollyman Yahoo Group which is that William was the brother of Robert Holloman/Holliman and that records show that Robert and William Holloman/Holliman both had moved to Granville Co, Robert around 1747 and William by 1751 (I think likely from some place north and/or east of Granville Co. like Northampton Co. NC or Virginia).  Robert was married to a Mary and they were the parents of two sons named Edward and William Holliman ( I am not sure what happened to this William - either died or more likely moved away sometime after his father died).  Robert died in 1847 leaving Mary and son Edward as Admin. of his estate. The mother and son Edward continued to live in Granville Co. until it became Bute Co and son Edward with his own sons Blake and William lived there afterwards when Bute was divided into 2 counties.  Robert and his brother William also apparently had a brother John who, I am guessing, was likely an older brother living, according to records, in Northampton Co. NC and apparently never married. Records show that John apparently bought land that had belonged to his deceased brother Robert from Robert's estate because in 1757 John sold that land to Robert's son Edward. John moved to Bute County before he died.  When John died around 1769, in his will he left his estate to be divided equally between his brother William and his dear and loving sister Mary (more correctly in today's vernacular, his sister-in-law Mary).

In the past, many researchers mistakenly assumed that the John who left his estate to his brother William and sister Mary was the son of the Benjamin Holloman who died in Bertie Co. NC in 1752 leaving orphans John, William and Mary.  However, Helen Leary found that John died in Hartford Co. much later than 1770.

There appears to be a confusing sequence of William Hollymans in this Family if the assignment of John, Robert and William to the line of William Hollyman (b. 1662–1704) who had a son William who also had a son William said to have died ca 1817.  However, I have to wonder why the William you show died 1819 had sons named Jesse, Josiah and Tobias but no William, John or Robert?   Why did ya'll assign that William as the father of Jesse, Josiah and Tobias? Oh, I see there were documents linking him to them.  I can't see his will/probate yet but assume they were named as heirs.

Hmmm, your tree shows way more of a close alignment of William (father of Jesse, Josiah and Tobias?) and Glenn's Hollimans than I would have expected.  You know there was a William Holloman married to Candice in early Wake County records in the 1770s and maybe 1780s but I believe he disappeared by 1790s.  I suspect he moved away between 1780-1790.   Maybe there were two William Hollimans, one who was the brother of John and Robert and married to Candice and who moved from Bute Co. in 1769 to the part of Johnston Co. that became Wake Co. in 1770-1771 and  another William who was a member of Glenn's extensive family of Hollimans in Johnston Co. living near Little River and Buffalow/Buffaloe Swamp (creek) on the east to southeast side of Raleigh.

I think this/these William Holloman/s need/s more research.

-Lynn