

# Diggin' for Davises

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## All About Adoption Research

by Maureen Taylor

It is not unusual to uncover indications of an adoption when compiling a family history. It is just one of the surprises that are part of a family tree. Adoption is commonly spoken about today, but on the topic our ancestors were primarily silent. Evidence of historic adoptions is apt to be buried in language and documents, so researching an adoption requires an understanding of terminology and where to locate information. No matter what the time period, finding birth parents is an emotional, time-consuming process that does not come with a guarantee of success.

If you decide to research a contemporary adoption, then legal complications will hinder your search. State laws governing adoption restrict the amount of information that can be provided. Also, since an adoption consists of three parties, the birth parents, the adoptive parents and the child, there is a good chance that most if not all of these individuals will be alive. Keep in mind that not every birth parent wants to be found and not every adoptee wants to seek their birth parents. In addition, the quest for adoption information can be difficult for some adoptive parents to understand. All the steps in adoption research need to be handled carefully and with good judgment, bearing in mind the consequences for all the participants of the adoption.

A certain amount of data is necessary to increase the prospects of locating the adoption information. In particular you need to establish a time frame for the event and locate the name of the birth mother. The first is usually easy to verify, but finding a name is a challenging task.

### When Did the Adoption Occur?

For most of the history of this country, adoption was informal and material can be difficult to locate. Evidence relating to adoption in the seventeenth century through mid-nineteenth century is usually hidden in documents such as apprenticeships and guardianships. While infertile couples may have sought to adopt, children were also part of the economic process. They were placed in families that needed the extra labor or taken in by relatives. Individuals unable to care for themselves, children included, were cared for by the town or city poor laws. Since these work or care arrangements were informal, the only positive proof may occur in a probate record where someone refers to "their adopted child." Unfortunately there are no statistics relating to adoption until the mid-nineteenth century.

In the nineteenth century, states began to pass legislation formalizing the adoption process. The establishment of charitable institutions that took an interest in abandoned and abused children created a variety of adoption options. Children became the responsibility of various state and charitable groups when their parents either died or became unable to care for them. These agency records usually contain data regarding the adoption and are a good source of additional family information, such as the names of siblings. When examining nineteenth century documents, be careful not to equate "orphan" with an individual available for adoption. It referred to someone whose mother or father had died. For instance, many children at the end of the Civil War were considered orphans because they had lost their father in the War, although their mother may still have been living. The most well-known adoption cases in the United States are the Orphan Trains that moved thousands of children from social agencies and orphanages in cities like New York from 1853 to 1929 and placed them with families in the Midwest.

Census records, guardianships, and probate dockets also provide clues to adoption in the nineteenth and twentieth century. In the case of census records, look for children that have a different surname than the rest of the family or for lists of residents of orphanages and agencies. In addition, try juvenile court documents, poor farm records and case files of state charities and social service agencies. Abandoned or orphaned children became the responsibility of the town or state.

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Abused or neglected children were taken from the parents and placed in agency-run homes until they were adopted or were able to care for themselves.

Informal adoptions also occurred within the family. When a single woman had a child her married sister or brother could take responsibility for the baby. These adoptions are almost impossible to trace unless someone in the family is willing to discuss it.

In the twentieth century, courts defined the terms and conditions of adoption. From the 1930s through the 1950s, adoption records became sealed to protect all the parties involved in the process. This removed children from the stigma of illegitimacy and distanced the birthmother from her pregnancy. This secrecy also protected adoptive parents from scrutiny over their decision to adopt. Each state has statutes regarding the confidentiality of adoption materials.

Regardless of when the adoption occurred there are certain documents that usually prove helpful. Just as certain sets of records pertain to births, deaths and marriages, there is a group of materials that can contain information relating to an adoption.

### Types of Documents

**Agency Records:** Was the child originally placed with a state agency, or a private organization? The placement records or case documents usually contain helpful hints such as data on other siblings, names of the birthparent's and descriptive information.

**Birth Certificate or Amended Birth Certificate:** The former provides the names of the birth parents and the child's birth name while an amended certificate contains the names of the adoptive parents and the child's adoptive name.

**Census Records:** The relationship column can supply the verification you need. "AD son" signifies an adopted son.

**Guardianships:** In cases where one or both parents have died, leaving minor children, the court can appoint a guard-

ian to care for the children. In many instances, these guardians are family members. In the nineteenth century this is a clue to an adoption.

**Hospital Records:** Hospitals maintain birth records for infants and birthmothers. If you know the name of the hospital where the baby was born this might provide additional information.

**Name Changes:** Petitions to change names can indicate an adoption.

**Newspapers:** Look in the legal section of the paper for notices relating to an adoption hearing or an advertisement that tries to establish paternity.

**Probate Records:** Probate courts often handled guardianships and adoptions. Wills help clarify relationships.

**State Legislative Records:** In some states the General Assembly accepted adoption petitions from prospective adoptive parents. This contains the child's birth name and the name of the adoptive parents.

### Do You Know the Birth Mother's Full Name?

This is a difficult question to answer. If you are researching an historic adoption, before the institution of laws, then you should be able to find appropriate documentation as long as you know when and where the adoption occurred and the names of the adoptive parents. In the case of living persons, unless you were adopted in a state with an open records statute, you may not be able to find the answer to this question. There are a few ways to try to locate this missing piece of data.

Begin by reexamining all the documents in your possession that can provide clues. Don't forget to scrutinize all the materials pertaining to the adoption to see if you overlooked anything. One woman found her birthmother's name on a slip of paper attached to another document. Unusual? Yes, but you never know what you might find.

Look for documents that may contain the birthparent's names. Keep in mind when the adoption occurred. Some records may not exist for the timeframe and location of the adoption. In general, try to obtain copies of the amended birth certificate and the original birth certificate.

Use your oral history skills to interview your adoptive parents about your adoption. Make a list of questions regarding procedures and ask them what they know about the birth mother. In many cases, they may only know a first name. If your adoptive parents refuse to discuss what they know, understand that your search is emotionally difficult for them as well.

Contact the agency that handled the adoption. They may be able to supply non-identifying information. This usually consists of first names and a general medical history. However, some agencies decline requests to share this material.

### When You Know the Birth Parents' Names

Once you know the name of the birth mother or father, rely on your skills as a researcher to uncover details in city directories, driver license records, school documents, and voter registration lists. Refer to publications that can lead you through how to use these materials to conduct adoption research:

Carangelo, Lori. *The Ultimate Search Book: Worldwide Adoption and Vital Records*. Bountiful, UT: Heritage Quest, 1998.

Hinckley, Kathleen W. *Locating Lost Family Members & Friends*. Cincinnati: Betterway Books, 1999.

Tillman, Norma Mott. *How to Find Almost Anyone, Anywhere*. Nashville, TN: Rutledge Hill Press, 1994.

### Special Considerations for Contemporary Adoption Research

Are you prepared?

Searching for birth parents is mentally and physically exhausting and the end result may not be what you expected. You will need the support of other individuals involved in similar searches. You can find this by joining a support group to meet adoptees that will offer encouragement and advice. Someone in the group may even be tackling the same research obstacles. If you find your birthmother, you will need some advice about how to contact her.

### Professional Help

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At some point you may decide to seek professional research help. Contact groups that can put you in touch with experienced researchers. Be sure to ask individuals you are considering hiring a series of questions regarding their fees and expertise. Don't be afraid to ask for references. You want to make sure that the person you hire handles the process in a professional manner. Many national organizations can direct you to qualified researchers such as the Association of Professional Genealogists, the American Adoption Congress and National Adoption Information Clearinghouse.

### Have you registered with an Adoption Registry?

If you are unable to find the answers you are looking for, don't give up. Submit your information to an online adoption registry. Their purpose is to reunite adoptees with birth relatives. You can post your search if you are a birthparent and adoptee older than 18 years of age. Younger children need to have their adoptive parents submit on their behalf.

Adoption is a complicated process that involves birth parents, children, adoptive parents and the legal system. It takes patience and help to overcome the obstacles that are part of a formal adoption. Discovering an unknown adoption while researching your genealogy while initially creating a roadblock to further research is an opportunity to understand your ancestors as living individuals.

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By Kimberly Powell

### 29. Illinois State Archives

Search for your Illinois ancestors online thanks to these free genealogy databases available from the Illinois State Archives. Begin your search with the Illinois Statewide Marriage Index (1763-1900) and then move on to the Public Domain Land Tract Sales Database, database of Servitude & Emancipation Records (1722-1863), a variety of Illinois veterans databases and a large collection of local county records including births, deaths, probate records, court records, and more!

### 30. Free Genealogy Lookups

This service, the mainstay of the Ancestral Findings Web site, allows you to request one FREE genealogy search per day in your choice of a wide range of historical records, including birth, marriage, census, land, military, and state records.

### 31. Archive.org

Known as the home of the Wayback Machine (good for finding cached copies of Web sites that are defunct or have moved), Archive.org also includes many great textual resources for genealogists from libraries across the country. Click on "Texts," then "Additional Collections," and then "Genealogy" to find free scanned copies of family histories, local histories and more.

### 32. Free B, M, D - England & Wales Vital Records

Volunteers have spent several years transcribing records for this free genealogy database, providing free Internet access to the Civil Registration index of births, marriages, and deaths from England and Wales for the period 1837-1983. Over 66 million unique records have been transcribed to date!

### 33. US Geographic Names Information System (GNIS)

Find information on over 2,000,000

places, features, and areas in the United States, including federally recognized names and locations by state, county, and/or geographic coordinates. Looking for locations outside the U.S.? Then try these other great geographic place names sites.

### 34. Castle Garden Online

The free CastleGarden.org database, provided online by the New York Battery Conservancy, allows you to search by name and time period for immigrants who arrived in Castle Garden between 1830 and 1890.

### 35. Geneanet

What started as a small French genealogy research site, has blossomed into a worldwide genealogy network. This free genealogy database indexes over 85 million names on free genealogy Web sites from around the world, with the primary focus still on French ancestry. You can get a lot of information here for free, but there are advanced options that will cost you.

### 36. Family Tree Magazine - Free Genealogy Charts & Forms

Piles of books, a desk covered with sticky notes, boxes crammed with family photos and photocopied records... If this sounds like you then check out this veritable plethora of free forms and charts to assist you with getting and keeping your genealogy research organized - there is one here for pretty much any type of genealogical research! Can't find what you need? Check out more free genealogy charts and forms.

### 37. Digital Library of Virginia

Important to millions of researchers with early American ancestors, this free digitized collection contains more than 2.2 million original documents, photographs, and maps from the states of Virginia and West Virginia. Of special note: Virginia Land Office Patents & Grants, a free genealogy database of Virginia patents and grants from 1623-1992 (includes images), digital images

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of 6,000+ family Bible records, and a fully searchable index of pre-1800 Virginia wills and administrations.

### 38. Immigrant Ship Transcribers Guild

This group of dedicated volunteers has transcribed more than 5,000 ship passenger lists to date, citing over 1/2 million passenger arrivals - all available online for free genealogy research. Make sure to leave time for a visit to The Compass, a guide to further immigration research with links to other passenger lists on the Internet, information about specific ships, and resources for ports of entry and departure around the world.

### 39. *Le Dictionnaire Tanguay*

One of the major published sources for early French-Canadian genealogy, the *Dictionnaire Genealogique des Familles Canadiennes* is a seven-volume work of the genealogies of early French-Canadian families published by Rev. Cyprien Tanguay in the late 1800s. It's material begins about 1608 and extends to material at and shortly after the Exile (1760+/-).

### 40. Kentucky Vital Records

If only all of us could have Kentucky ancestors! Thanks to the University of Kentucky and the Kentucky Office of Vital Statistics, over 3 million state vital records are available for free genealogy search including the Kentucky Death Index for 1911-1992, Marriage Index for 1973-1993 and Divorce Index for 1973-1993.

### 41. Emigrant Register - Finland Institute of Migration

The Emigrant Register was established in 1989 as a service for genealogists and the descendants of Finnish Emigrants. Sources include passport records (different years in different provinces), passenger records of the Finland Steamship Company (Suomen Höyrylaiva Osakeyhtiö), and information on Finns deceased abroad. Over 550,000 free genealogy records are available for online searching.

### 42. Family Search Research Wiki

The FamilySearch website of the LDS

Church offers more than just free genealogy databases. The extensive Research Wiki includes a series of wonderful research outlines which describe records and strategies that can be used to pursue family history research in regions and countries around the world. The FamilySearch Research Wiki also includes free maps, timelines, genealogical word lists and step-by-step research guides, as well as letter-writing guides to help you write letters requesting genealogical information from non-English speakers.

### 43. US Civil War Soldiers & Sailors

This free genealogy database contains basic facts about United States servicemen who served on both sides during the Civil War; a list of regiments in both the Union and Confederate Armies; identifications and description of 384 significant battles of the war; and much more. Over 5 million soldiers names from over 30 US states and territories are currently available online for free searching.

### 44. Canadian Genealogy Centre

Serving as a gateway to electronic genealogical resources in Canada, this free genealogy and family history site contains several free genealogy databases - most notably the fully-searchable Canadian Naturalizations database of immigrants who received Canadian naturalization certificates, which were published in the *Canada Gazette* between 1915 and 1932, and the Upper and Lower Canada Marriage Bonds.

### 45. Native American Genealogy

A wealth of information on America's Native American tribes, this free genealogy site includes online indexes to the Final Rolls (Dawes Roll), Guion Miller Roll, Kern Clifton Roll, Wallace Roll, McKennon Roll, and Cooper Roll, as well as tips for searching these and other Native American census records.

### 46. German Military Grave Registration Service

This free German genealogy database contains more than 2 million names of missing and dead German soldiers from World War I and World War II. All that is necessary is a surname (nachname) to search. On the first visit you will be

required to register with your name and address (Straße/Nr. - Street and Number, Land - Country, PLZ - Postal or Zip Code, and Ort - City) to view the search results.

### 47. Geneactes

Select a French département to access online databases containing free transcriptions of French civil registration records of birth, marriage, and death. Also available in English.

### 48. New Brunswick Provincial Archives - Online Research

The Web site of the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick, Canada, is an excellent example of what we would all like online archives to be! A large number of free genealogy databases are available including John Lovell's Canadian Directory for 1871, the Irish Famine Database, Index to Land Petitions 1783-1918, Index to County Birth Registers 1801-1899, Index to Provincial Registrations of Births 1900-1903, Index to New Brunswick Marriages 1887-1926, Index to Marriage Bonds 1810-1932, Land Grants 1765-1900, and New Brunswick cemeteries.

### 49. Utah Cemetery Burials Database

The Utah Cemetery Inventory project of the Utah State Historical Society includes a searchable database of over 600,000 burials in 321+ cemeteries. They hope to eventually have a listing of every person buried in the state of Utah!

### 50. *Enciclopedia Heráldica Hispano-Americana*

This free searchable genealogy database from the US Library of Congress indexes 88 volumes by Alberto and Arturo García Carraffa which cover Spanish Heraldry and over 15,000 names with their genealogical histories.

### 51. Distant Cousin

A reminder that we're all distant cousins, this free genealogy site offers numerous searchable databases including ship passenger lists, city directories, alumni lists, cemeteries, birth, death, and marriage records. Simple navigation and whole site surname search make it easy to find what you need quickly.

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## History of the Davis Family

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210. v. **Lizzie**, b. in New York City, Mar. 27, 1881, d. in New York, Aug. 10, 1881.

211. vi. **Florence May**, b. in New York City, May 27, 1882.

212. vii. **Mabel**, b. in New York City, Mar. 23, 1884, d. in New York, Sept. 23, 1884.

213. viii. **Willard Francis**, b. in New York City, Nov. 29, 1885.

**Lizzie Tallman Davis** (205) was married March 24, 1875, to **Edward D. Depew**, only son of **Robert A.** and **Mary (Denike) Depew**, of New York City. Their children were:

214. i. **Robert Edward**, b. in New York City, Mar. 6, 1876, d. in New York, Oct. 29, 1879.

215. ii. **Frank**, b. in New York City, Aug. 1, 1877.

The following tribute to the memory of Mrs. **Lizzie Tallman (Davis) Depew**, is from Mr. **John L. Denison**, of Hartford, Conn., for many years her Sunday School teacher:

"Early in life she evinced a force of character and an aptness to learn, that made the transition from childhood to maturity imperceptible—the girl was lost in the woman. How early she became the subject of Divine Grace, and the influences of the Holy Spirit is not known, but that she gave herself up to know the mind and do the will of God, every step in her progress gave unmistakable evidence.

"In the day school her presence was always like sunshine, and her knowledge was acquired with the one idea to make the most of a practical life. Her advent into the Central Baptist Sabbath School and the Church was like the unfolding of a flower. Endowed with an unusual talent for music, both instrumental and vocal, she found her soul's delight, and never failed to reproduce in the public service what so enlivened her soul. No matter where, in school, in church, in society, or in the sacred shade of home, she preserved the same even and sweet tempered disposition that surrounded her with loving friends, and finally culminated in the affections

of her husband, **Edward D. Depew**, of New York, where she went to reside amid all that could make life desirable, and satisfy a tender spirit such as she possessed.

"As the ripest fruit and the rarest flowers are often first gathered for the Master's use, so it pleased Heaven to take her after two and one-half years of happy married life, leaving her husband and two boys to mourn an irreparable loss. Though thus suddenly called to part with them and other friends, she was ready for the summons, and in this her greatest trial could sweetly say, 'He doeth all things well.'

"To her the gospel of Christ presented the grandest ideals of life, and her acceptance of Him inspired her with conviction, courage and self sacrifice to bring those ideals into practical results, so that in all the relations of daughter, sister, wife and mother, she proved herself to be the very embodiment of whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, and whatsoever things are of good report.

"It is true her life was short as we mark time, but measured by the work she accomplished, the influences she exerted, and the hopes she fostered, it stretches beyond computation. She lived in the circles wherever she moved, and will live as long as the treasures of love, and the endowment of Christian friendship unite to make the association of earth the stepping stones to the paradise of God."

**Maria Teresa Davis** (192) was married March 23, 1845, to **Isaac Gallup**, Jr., of Preston, Conn. He is a descendant in a direct line, in the eighth generation, of **John Gallup**, one of the early settlers of Boston, Mass.

The generations are as follows: 1st generation, **John Gallup**, of Boston; 2d generation, **John Gallup**, who married **Hannah Lake**, daughter of Mrs. **Margaret Lake**, who was a relative of **Gov. Winthrop**. He was killed in the great Swamp fight, Dec. 25, 1675; 3d generation, **Benadam Gallup**, who married **Esther Prentice**; 4th generation, **Benadam Gallup**, who married **Eunice Cobb**; 5th generation, **Benadam Gallup**, who married **Hannah Avery**; 6th generation, **Isaac Gallup**, who mar-

ried **Anna Smith**; 7th generation, **Isaac Gallup, Jr.**, who married **Prudence Geer**; 8th generation, **Isaac Gallup, Jr.**, who married **Maria T. Davis**. On the maternal side, he is a descendant in a direct line in the sixth generation, of **George Geer**, who came to this country in 1635, and settled in New London, Conn. The generations are as follows: 1st generation, **George Gerr**, who married **Sarah Allyn**, Feb. 17, 1658; 2d generation, **Robert Geer**, who married **Martha Tyler**; 3d generation, **Ebenezer Geer**, who married **Prudence Wheeler**, Jan. 3, 1735; 4th generation, **David Geer**, who married **Mary Stanton**; 5th generation, **Prudence Geer**, who married **Isaac Gallup**; 6th generation, **Isaac Gallup, Jr.**, who married **Maria Theresa Davis**. Mr. **Isaac Gallup** resides in Preston, Conn. He is a farmer. He has never held any public office, although repeatedly requested and urged to accept offices of honor and trust. He devotes his time entirely to his farming business. Their children are:

216. i. **Henry Haskell**, b. in Preston, Conn., June 2, 1846.

217. ii. **Ella Maria**, b. in Preston, Conn., Apr. 29, 1850.

218. iii. **Charles Davis**, b. in Preston, Conn., May 16, 1857.

**Charles LeMont Davis** (193) was married March 19, 1850, to **Sophia Dewey Horton**, who was born at Westfield, Mass., May 12, 1823. She is a descendant on the paternal side, in the seventh generation, of **Thomas Horton**, who came from England, and settled in Springfield, Mass., in 1640. The generations from **Thomas Horton** to **Sophia**, who married **Charles L. Davis** is as follows: 1st generation, **Thomas Horton**, name of wife unknown; 2d generation, **Jeremiah**, son of **Thomas**. Resided in Springfield, Mass., afterwards in Skipmuck, (now Chicopee Falls,) Mass. Had ten children: **Nathaniel**, **Jeremiah**, **Samuel**, **Thomas**, **John**, **Timothy**, **Benjamin**, **Sarah**, **Mary**, **Abigail**; 3d generation, **Jeremiah**, son of **Jeremiah** above, lived in Skipmuck, where he died in 1737. Had eight children: **Jeremiah**, **Thomas**, **Samuel**, **John**, **Mary**, **Mary** 2d, **Anna**, and

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**Esther**; 4th generation, **John**, son of **Jeremiah** above, lived at Skipmuck, where he died in 1761, aged sixty years. He had ten children: **Mary**, **Abigail**, **Jeremiah**, **Katherine**, **Eunice**, **Katherine** 2d, **Lucy**, **John**, **Louis**, and **Gad**; 5th generation, **Gad**, son of **John** above, lived in Skipmuck, removed to Westfield in 1804, where he died Jan. 11, 1811, aged sixty-one years. Had five children: **Samuel**, **Abigail**, **Betsey**, **Jere**, **Mary**. The wife of **Gad Horton** was a **Chapin**, a relative of the Chapins, of Springfield, Mass., and a descendant of Dea. **Samuel Chapin**; 6th generation, **Jere**, son of **Gad** above, lived in Westfield, Mass. Was born Dec. 15, 1785, and died in Westfield, Mass., Feb. 24, 1837. His wife **Sophia Dewey**, was born Dec. 22, 1786, and died March 17, 1880. They were married May 28, 1811, and had seven children: **Samuel**, **Abigail**, **John B.**, **Henry W.**, **Jere**, **Sophia Dewey**, and **Mary E.** The grandparents of **Sophia Dewey Horton**, on the maternal side were **Benjamin Dewey** and **Rhoda (Loomis) Dewey**. They were married May 26, 1769. **Rhoda (Loomis) Dewey** had brothers : **Shem**, **Ham**, and **Japhet**.

**Charles L. Davis** died at Toms River, May 10, 1878. The following obituary notice of the late **Charles L. Davis**, was published in a local paper soon after his death.

"By the death of Mr. Davis, Ocean County loses an estimable and valued citizen; one in whom energy and ability were equally manifest, and one in whom enterprise and progress were matters of creed earnestly and vigorously sustained almost to the hour of his decease. Mr. Davis, was in his boyhood a diligent student, and at an early age was an accomplished scholar; and although of slender frame and slight constitution, which compelled him twice to abandon indoor professions, he was always a persistent reader, never permitting his classics to rust, abreast of the times in all every-day affairs, and unusually familiar, for one who gave such close attention to business matters, with the best literature of the day.

"Mr. Davis first chose the profession of a teacher. His health warned him to lay teaching aside. He came to Ocean

county and engaged in cranberry culture, and in this occupation he remained to the close of his life. But in the interim, in 1863, he, in connection with **B. K. Drake**, engaged in publishing the Ocean Emblem. Mr. Davis was exceedingly fond of Journalism. He was ready of wit, keen of satire, and a fluent, easy writer, as the Emblem fully attested. His tilts with neighboring contemporaries clearly evinced his ability to tersely and vigorously present his views while discovering and attacking the weak points of his disputants; while his discussion of the topics of the times always displayed veracity and force. His connection with the Emblem was brief, and he soon relinquished it, and returned more earnestly than ever to out-door pursuits. Mr. Davis was essentially a progressive man, and Toms River and vicinity will long remember him as an earnest worker for the good of the community at large and especially the attractiveness of his chosen home. Mr. Davis was fearless of consequences when ever a wrong was to be redressed.

He was a gentleman of pleasing address, and his companionship was to us, on many occasions, a source of pleasure and profit. He was for more than twenty years a consistent member of the Presbyterian Church, and died in the full belief of and confidence in his chosen faith. He was for several years the acceptable Superintendent of the Presbyterian Sabbath School at Toms River. Born in Preston, Conn., he removed to Tarrytown, N. Y., where he was the successful Principal of a high school. Subsequently he traveled a few months for his health, and finally settled at Toms River, where, as he once said, the happiest hours of his life were passed, and where the blissful moment found him at the last "by faith prepared for Grace!"

The following tribute to his memory is from the pen of his old Pastor and friend, Rev. **J. H. Frazee** :

"Among the Hills, May, 1878.

The recent death of Mr. Charles L. Davis—which occurred at Toms River, May 10th—has awakened many tender personal recollections. In 1861, we met for the first time. Daring years of intimate relations, his character proved a study of interesting development. He

was one of the most enthusiastic and generous workers, whether in church or social relations. The old days of Sunday School work are recalled but to suggest the ardor and courage shown by him during years of active superintendence. Among a noble little band, who gave time, means and love to our little church, in its days of struggling infancy, he acted as Ruling Elder with fidelity and hopefulness. His voice led the congregation for years with such acceptance, that to have heard it later now and then in his days of failing vigor, was to have hopes aroused hardly cherished at other hours, and to recall the pleasant past with delightful reminders. In business enterprise, our friend had no superior, even among men who were engaging in hardy and promising occupation with rare zeal. He forgot self, sacrificed needed hours of rest, threw his strength with will of sternest energy upon an issue, disappointment in which in no way reflected upon the sturdy and hearty courage of the initial efforts. His struggle with disease was one of wonderful persistence. What would have discouraged and driven many into hopeless retreat, seemed only to be accepted by our brother as a challenge to renewed conflict, most readily and often resumed at fearful odds.

"Earth, with its absorbing demands, did not alone engage him. He looked for a city not made with hands, though he loved his own beautiful home, and clung to the dear ones God gave him with truest devotion. With much to live for, and keen appreciation of the bright and beautiful and good of this world, he turned from all to that Savior whom he long ago professed to love, when the summons came, 'Come up higher,' with quiet trust and restful confidence.

"A life chequered by many clouds that obstructed the sunlight at times—a life upon which many disappointments not easy to bear fell heavily, and which bore witness to many a brave battle and many a signal victory too—has ended, but the *sunny memories survive*. We bow to the shock of loss; the sadness of sore bereavement stills the harp-string now; but there shall yet come the song of victory, and the restful reflection follows the sigh-burdened experience of these days of sorrow. "

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## Descendants of Thomas Davis, Isle of Wight Co., Virginia

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By Paula Carter Davis

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v. **THOMAS DAVIS** (Benjamin<sup>3</sup> (I), William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born between 1751-1760 in NC or SC (The only Thomas that fits in 1830 Jefferson Co., TN census, has this birth range.). He died before 1840 in Jefferson Co., Tennessee, (Elderly man in 1830 census). He married UNKNOWN. She was born between 1761-1770.

vi. **JOSEPH DAVIS**.

vii. **PATSY DAVIS** was born between 1761-1770 (Birth range per 1830 Jefferson Co., TN census (likely wife residing in home of **John Hays**)). She married **JOHN HAYS**. He was born between 1751-1760.

viii. **WILLIAM DAVIS** was born c. 1761?. He died before 1840 in Cocke Co., Tennessee, (possibly the one in 1830 Cocke Co., TN (the only one who fits as son of Benjamin I). There was no matching William in 1840 to match this William.).

9. ix. **ARTHUR DAVIS** was born in 1771 in Old Cheraws Distr., South Carolina (became Darlington Co., SC area. Time of birth was when his parents were still in SC. 1830 census gives birth range 1771-1780.). He died before 1839 in Cocke Co., Tennessee. (Not in the 1840 census. Not in the 1839 Cocke Co., TN tax rolls.). He married UNKNOWN. She died before 1839 in Cocke County, Tennessee.

6. **THOMAS<sup>3</sup> DAVIS** (William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born before 1728 in VA or NC (born before 1728, death year for mother). He died after 1799 in Darlington County, South Carolina. (named as brother in 1799 will of **William Davis**). Thomas Davis had the following child:

i. **THOMAS<sup>4</sup> DAVIS, JR.** was born about 1736 in Birth estimated that he was at least 15 yrs old when he got land from his father.

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7. **THOMAS<sup>4</sup> DAVIS** (William Hampton<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born between 1756-1765 in South Carolina,

(middle name may have been Hampton or Hamilton (most sources show 1761 as birth year. However, to be the father of listed children, he must have been much older. 1800 census gives 1756-1774; 1810 gives us before 1765. Combining those we get 1756-1765.). He died before 1830 in Wayne County, Mississippi, (he disappears from tax rolls 1823. Died between 1823 and 1830). He married **MARY "POLLY" O'NEAL** about 1770 in Old Cheraws District, (became Darlington Co.) South Carolina (Some sources list wife as **Mary CROSS**. A **Thomas & Mary Cross** did marry in Santee area of SC-but it was on 5 Feb., 1782!!!). She was born between 1756-1765. She died before 1830 in Wayne Co., Mississippi, (presumed buried in Old Davis Burying Ground with her husband on what was their land. Her husband, Thomas disappears from Wayne Co records after 1823 Tax Rolls. Mary was never listed after that (to indicate a widow), so I only know she died between 1820-30). **Thomas** (middle name may be Hampton or Hamilton) **Davis** and **Mary "Polly" O'Neal** had the following children:

10. i. **BENJAMIN<sup>5</sup> DAVIS SR.**, was born about 1770 in Darlington County, South Carolina. He died date unknown in SC, GA or MS (his father, **Thomas**, left SC and was in Wayne Co., MS by 1816. His brother, **Elias** was in MS by 1820. **Benjamin, Jr.** was in Wayne Co., MS by 1820, also. **Benjamin** may not have died in MS; he just may have not moved there with his brothers. Benjamin, Sr. was NOT in any Wayne Co., MS records.).

ii. **THOMAS DAVIS (II)** was born before 1775 in Darlington County, South Carolina, (part of Old Cheraws). He died about 1832 in Wayne Co., Mississippi, (last known entry was 1831.).

12. iii. **MARTHA DAVIS** was born about 1776 in Darlington County, South Carolina. She married **JOHN BROWN**. He was born in 1775 in probably Darlington Co., SC. He died in 1830 in Jasper Co., Mississippi.

13. iv. **ELIAS (or William Elias) DAVIS** was born in 1780 in Darlington County, South Carolina, (part of Old Cheraws) On the internet, birth date 4

April, 1779. Some also give death as April, 1850. Elias was still alive in 1853, and I do not know where these dates actually come from. The 1850 Census gives 1780 as birth year. He died after 1853 in Wayne Co, MS (Some sources list 5 April 1850 as Elias' death date. However, he was still alive in October for the 1850 census. He was not in the 1860 census. So he died before 1860.). He married **SUSAN KELLY**. She was born about 1780 in Darlington County, South Carolina. She died about 1816 in Darlington County, South Carolina, . He married (2) **DICEY (LNU)** about 1817 in Darlington County, South Carolina, (First wife of Elias, Susan, died about 1816.). She was born in 1800 in South Carolina. She died in 1855 in Wayne County, Mississippi, (marker states died 1855; I do not know where that date came from. If anyone knows, please tell me. This is a memorial marker, not her actual gravestone. She was buried at Old Davis Burying Ground, along with her husband.).

14. v. **DANIEL DAVIS**. He died in 1801 in Darlington County, South Carolina, (will dated 1801, witnessed by brother-in-law, **John BROWN**).

8. **BENJAMIN<sup>4</sup> DAVIS, JR. (II)** (Benjamin<sup>3</sup> Sr. (I), William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born about 1750 in Edgecombe County, North Carolina. (paid no poll in 1800 tax lists, means he was born 1750 or before.). He died on 20 Jan., 1829 in Jefferson Co., TN (Age 74). He married **PRISCILLA "LUCY" ELVINA JONES**, daughter of **Repps Jones** and **Lucretia "Lucy" Mary Pritchitt** in 1787 in Jefferson Co, Tennessee. She was born in 1771 in VA. She died on 29 Sep., 1829 in Jefferson Co, Tennessee, (Age 58). Benjamin Davis JR (II) and Priscilla "Lucy" Elvina Jones had the following children:

i. **ELIZABETH "PATSEY" DAVIS<sup>5</sup>** was born on 21 Feb 1791 in Tennessee. She died on 5 July, 1868 in Brabson Ferry Plantation, Boyd's Creek, Sevier Co., TN (Age: 77). She married **JOHN BRABSON** on 13 April, 1808 in Jefferson, Tennessee.

ii. **MARY DAVIS** was born about 1793 in Jefferson Co., TN. She died in

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1830 in Rhea Co., Tennessee (her widowed husband remarried her sister in 1831.). She married **WRIGHT SMITH**. He was born about 1785 in South Carolina.

iii. **ALEXANDER SMITH OUT-LAW DAVIS** was born after 1805 in Jefferson Co., TN. He died before Feb 1829.

15. iv. **BENJAMIN DAVIS (III)** was born in 1796 in Jefferson Co., Tennessee. He died on 23 July, 1852 in Jefferson Co., Tennessee, (Age: 56). He married **NANCY HAMILTON CAMPBELL**, daughter of **Nero Campbell** and **Nancy Bird Baird** on 21 April, 1838 in Jefferson, Tennessee. She was born on 2 June 1818 in Jefferson Co., Tennessee. She died on 12 Sep., 1880 in Jefferson Co., Tennessee, (Age: 62).

16. v. **REPPS JONES DAVIS** was born on 17 Jan., 1796 in Tennessee. He died on 17 Feb 1853 in Sevier Co., TN (Age: 57). He married (1) **MALINDA SINGLETON** on 24 Dec., 1839 in Blount Co., Tennessee. She was born on 15 Sep., 1808 in Singleton Station, Blount Co., TN. She died on 6 May, 1846 in Sevier Co., TN. He married (2) **ISABELLA JANE McCROSKEY** on 7 Jan., 1848. She was born on 25 Mar., 1816 in Blount Co., TN. She died on 30 Dec., 1856 in Blount Co., TN.

vi. **LUCY D. DAVIS** was born about 1790 in Jefferson Co., TN. She died on 18 Nov., 1847 in Glazie City, Camden Co., MO.

vii. **PENELOPE HAMILTON DAVIS** (twin) was born on 23 Dec., 1804 in TN (twin per book *Cocke Co., TN & Its People*, 1991). She died on 22 Sep., 1857 in Cocke Co., TN.

17. viii. **JOSEPH HAMILTON DAVIS** was born about 1800 in Jefferson Co., TN. He died before Feb., 1844 in Jefferson Co., TN. He married **AMANDA MARIE JARNIGAN** on 7 Dec., 1837 in Grainger Co., Tennessee. She was born on 17 Jan., 1821 in Grainger Co., TN. She died on 25 June, 1868 in Baine, Grainger Co., TN.

ix. **ZILPHA DAVIS** (twin) was born on 23 Dec., 1804 in Tennessee. She married **WRIGHT SMITH** on 2 June.,

1831 in Rhea, Tennessee. He was born about 1785 in South Carolina.

9. **ARTHUR<sup>4</sup> DAVIS, SR.** (Benjamin<sup>3</sup> (I), William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1771 in Old Cheraws Distr., South Carolina (became Darlington Co., SC area. Time of birth was when his parents were still in SC. 1830 census gives birth range 1771-1780.). He died before 1839 in Cocke Co., Tennessee. (not in the 1840 census. Not in the 1839 Cocke Co., TN tax rolls.). He married **UNKNOWN**. She died before 1839 in Cocke County, Tennessee. Arthur Davis and Unknown had the following children:

i. **PETER J?<sup>5</sup> DAVIS** was born about 1801 in Cocke County, Tennessee. He died before 1850 in Cocke County, Tennessee, (cannot find him or Isaac close 1840 neighbor) in 1850-60 census).

18. ii. **BENJAMIN DAVIS** was born about 1791 in Jefferson or Cocke Co., TN. He died in 1883 in Cocke County, Tennessee. He married **SARAH ELLEN "NELLIE" STOKELY**. She was born on 13 March 1808 in Cocke Co., Tennessee. She died on 11 May 1857 in Cocke County, Tennessee. (Age: 50).

iii. **MARTIN? DAVIS** was born in 1801 in Cocke County, Tennessee.

iv. **MARTHA? DAVIS** was born on 31 Jan., 1791 in VA or TN. She died after 1870 in Cocke County, Tennessee. (Per searches on www.genforum.com, Brizendine Forum; she was buried at Point Pleasant Cem., Cocke Co., TN. But, she is not listed at that cemetery on findagrave.com). She married **THOMAS BRIZENDINE** in 1812. He was born on 8 Jan., 1787 in Virginia. (Census consistently gives VA as birth location). He died before 1870 in Cocke County, Tennessee.

v. **NANCY? DAVIS** was born in 1790 in Jefferson or Cocke Co., TN.

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10. **BENJAMIN<sup>5</sup> DAVIS, SR.** (Thomas<sup>4</sup>, William Hampton<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born about 1770 in Darlington County, South Carolina. He died date Unknown in ?SC, GA or MS. His father, Thomas, left SC and was in Wayne Co., MS by 1816. His brother, Elias, was in MS by 1820. Benjamin,

Jr., was in Wayne Co, MS by 1820 also. Benjamin may not have died in MS; he just may have not moved to Wayne Co., MS. Benjamin, Sr. was NOT in any Wayne Co., MS records.). Benjamin Davis SR had the following child:

19. i. **BENJAMIN W.<sup>6</sup> DAVIS JR.**, was born about 1789 in Georgia. He died after 1870 in Trinity County, Texas. He married **HONOR** (LNU). She was born in 1807 in South Carolina. She died before 1860 in MS or TX.

11. **THOMAS<sup>5</sup> DAVIS, II** (Thomas<sup>4</sup>, William Hampton<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born before 1775 in Darlington County, South Carolina. (part of Old Cheraws District). He died about 1832 in Wayne Co., Mississippi (last known entry was 1831.). Thomas Davis II had the following child:

i. **THOMAS<sup>6</sup> DAVIS III** (or Jr.) was born about 1806 in Darlington County, South Carolina.

12. **MARTHA<sup>5</sup> DAVIS** (Thomas<sup>4</sup>, William Hampton<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born about 1776 in Darlington County, South Carolina. She married **JOHN BROWN**. He was born in 1775 in probably Darlington Co, SC. He died in 1830 in Jasper Co., Mississippi.

Notes for John and Martha Davis Brown: Their marriage and migration to Wayne Co, MS with her Davises is well known family data.

20. i. **SEABORN JONES<sup>6</sup> BROWN** was born about 1821. He died in 1878 in Wayne County, Mississippi. He married **SARAH EMMARYLLIS HORNE**. She was born on 16 Feb., 1823 in Wayne County, Mississippi. She died about 1892.

21. ii. **JOHN HAMILTON BROWN** was born on 12 May, 1809 in Georgia. He died on 9 Aug., 1876. He married **MARY ANN LUCRETIA MONTGOMERY**.

22. iii. **WILEY BROWN** was born in 1803 in Washington Co., Georgia. He died in 1840. He married **ELIZABETH COOLEY**, daughter of **William Cooley** and **Nancy Bounds** in 1823. She was born on 3 July, 1804 in Darlington, Darlington Co., South Carolina. She died in 1873 in Jasper Co., Mississippi.

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iv. **ELIAS BROWN** was born on 7 March, 1807 in Georgia. He died on 30 Nov., 1872. He married **SUSAN BREWER**. She was born on 18 Dec 1818 in Alabama, USA. She died on 21 March, 1892.

v. **ALFRED BROWN** was born about 1812 in Georgia. He died after 1860. He married **MARTHA HODGENS**.

23. vi. **LITTLEBERRY BROWN** was born on 1 June, 1801 in Darlington County, South Carolina. He died on 2 Oct., 1850 (Age: 49). He married **MARTHA R. BOOTH**. She was born on 31 Aug., 1803 in Cheraw Hill, South Carolina. She died on 17 Dec 1880.

24. vii. **MARY BROWN** was born in 1815. She married **JOHN C. PATTON**. He was born about 1807 in Mississippi. He died before 1870 in Wayne County, Mississippi.

13. **ELIAS** (or **WILLIAM ELIAS**)<sup>5</sup> **DAVIS** (Thomas<sup>4</sup>, William Hampton<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1780 in Darlington County, South Carolina (part of Old Cheraws. On the internet, birth date 4 April 1779. Some also give death as April 1850. Elias was still alive in 1853, and I do not know where these dates actually come from. 1850 Census gives 1780 as birth yr.). He died after 1853 in Wayne Co, MS (Some sources list 5 Apr 1850 as Elias' death date. However, he was still alive in October for the 1850 census. He was not in the 1860 census. So he died before 1860.). He married **SUSAN KELLY**. She was born about 1780 in Darlington County, South Carolina. She died about 1816 in Darlington County, South Carolina. He married (2) **DICEY** (LNU) about 1817 in Darlington County, South Carolina. (First wife of Elias, Susan, died about 1816.). She was born in 1800 in South Carolina, USA. She died in 1855 in Wayne County, Mississippi. (Marker states died 1855; I do not know where that date came from. If anyone knows, please tell me. This is A memorial marker, not her actual gravestone. she was buried at Old Davis Burying Ground, along with her husband.). Elias (or William Elias) Davis and Susan Kelly had the following children:

i. **Unknown**<sup>6</sup> **DAVIS** was born in Oct., 1800 in Darlington County, South Carolina. He died before 1820 in Darlington, South Carolina. (Extra male slot in 1810 home of Elias DAVIS, gone by 1820.).

25. ii. **SUSANNA "SUSAN" DAVIS** was born about 1803 in Darlington County, South Carolina. She died after 1860 in Wayne County, Mississippi.

26. iii. **THOMAS HAMPTON DAVIS** was born on 16 Sep., 1805 in Darlington County, South Carolina. (Supposed to be twin to brother Hamilton). He died on 24 Sep., 1870 in Wayne County, Mississippi. He married **MARTHA ANN SHIELDS** on 7 Nov., 1833 in Pike County, Alabama. She was born on 28 May, 1819 in Pike County, Alabama. (Her headstone proves date and birth location). She died on 23 Apr., 1881 in Wayne County, Mississippi.

27. iv. **HAMILTON DAVIS** was born about 1807 in Darlington, SC (son of Elias and twin to brother Thomas Hampton.). He died in 1886 in Newton, Mississippi. He married **CANNA LOPER**. She was born probably by 1810-15 in South Carolina. She died c. 1830-40 in Newton Co., Mississippi, USA (See story under Hamilton Davis; she was his first wife, per family papers. She only could have been his first wife. Then he married her sister, which was very common.). He married (2) **LEVISA "VICEY" A. LOPER**, daughter of **Absalom Loper** and **Sarah** (LNU) about 1829 in Mississippi. She was born in 1812 in Barnwell County, South Carolina. She died before 1880 in Newton County, Mississippi.

v. **TURY TESATA DAVIS** was born about 1813 in South Carolina. She married **THOMAS LOPER**. He was born about 1815 in South Carolina.

28. vi. **WILLIAM ROSIER DAVIS** was born about 1816 in Darlington County, South Carolina. He died about 1852 in Newton County, Mississippi. (Newton Co, MS estate/probate records are not intact back to this date, so they are not available. His widow and children returned to Jasper Co., MS where her WATTS family still resided.). He married **MARGARET J. WATTS**. She was born between 1821-1824 in Wayne County, Mississippi. She died in Oct.,

1878 in Newton County, Mississippi.

Elias (or William Elias) Davis and Dicey had the following children:

29. vii. **EDWARD DAVIS** was born about 1820 in Wayne Co., Mississippi. His name appears in an old Bible with the other three older sons of Elias. Born in MS means he was from Elias' second wife Dicey. He died on 24 Nov., 1869 in Pike County, Alabama. He married **ADELINE THOMAS** on 24 Nov., 1848 in Pike County, Alabama. (Book 1, Pg 420. Edward DAVIS married **Mrs. Adeline Bradshaw**.). She was born about 1826 in Mississippi.

30. viii. **MARY "POLLY" DAVIS** was born about 1820 in Darlington County, South Carolina. She married **WILLIAM C. COOLEY**. He was born about 1812 in South Carolina. He died in 1875 in Jasper Co., Mississippi. (Age: 63).

31. ix. **SARAH A. DAVIS** was born between 1821-1825 in Wayne County, Mississippi. (In the home of Elias Davis 1830-40, there is this female slot, indicating possible daughter in the home of Elias Davis 1830-40, b. 1821-5. She has died, married or moved away by 1850.). She married **JAMES BLAKELEY**. He was born in July, 1815 in Darlington County, South Carolina. He died before 1870 in Newton County, Mississippi.

POSSIBLE SON 3 DAVIS was born between 1826-1830 in Wayne County, Mississippi, USA (In the 1840 home of Elias Davis, there are two male slots, indicating possible sons born 1826-1830. One was probably son Edward. The other is unknown. This male gone by 1841. In 1841 his age would have been 11-15 yrs; he could have moved out or died.).

xi. POSSIBLE SON 4 DAVIS was born between 1831-1835 in Wayne County, Mississippi, USA (1840 home of Elias Davis has this male slot, indicating possible son born 1831-5. However, just one year later, in state census 1841, this male was not in Elias' home.). He died about 1841 in Wayne County, Mississippi, USA (1840 census alive; by 1841 census not in Elias' home).

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## William Davis in Edgecombe Co., North Carolina

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22 Oct 1771. **Samson Sikes to William Williams** for 10 pounds/ 3 shillings/ 2 pence, 50 a. on North bank of Tar River at the mouth of Swift Creek, adjoining **Jacob Pope**. It being part of a deed granted to **WILLIAM DAVIS** on 20 June 1749. Wit: **Robert Degges, Pilgrim Pope**.

3 Aug 1773. **John Dunnagin** and wife **Elizabeth** to **Jonas Johnston**, 22 pds 10 shillings for 60 a. S side of Beaver Dam Swamp and on Johnston's Mill Swamp adj. **WILLIAM DAVIS**. It being part of a larger tract granted to **WILLIAM DAVIS** on 20 June 1749. Wit: **Amos Johnston, Nath'l Permenter, Owen Cravey**. DB E and DB 4 mentions Johnston's Mill Swamp and the Permenters with **DAVIS**.

No date, but deed prior is Aug., 1772. **David Scarborough** (Scarber) to his son **James Scarber**, 5 pds for 50 a. on swamp and Dunnagins Spring Branch. It being part of deed granted to **WILLIAM DAVIS**, deceased, dated 20 June 1749. Wit: **Solomon Andrews, Samuel Scarborough**.

12 Oct 1773. **WILLIAM DAVIS of the province of South Carolina** to **James Laurence** of Edgec. Co., NC, 40 pds. For 200 a. N side of Tar River and on S side (of) Coneto Pocosin. Wit: **Jacob Atkinson, Miles Hodge, John Hodge**.

8 March 1777. **WILLIAM DAVIS** and wife **ELIZABETH** of the *Province of South Carolina* to **John Sutherland** of Edgecombe (Edgec.) Co., NC, for 175 pds. VA money, two tracts of land in Edgec. Co. (1) 200 a. (on) Hendrick's Creek and the Mill Swamp (2) 221 a. on North bank Hendrick's Creek. Wit: **Rich'd Gore, Bartholomew Kelley, Markum Maund**. (\* William **DAVIS**, Aquilla Sugg, and Richard Gore together in DB D. Also see deed from 1742.)

I have a definite paper trail to this **William Davis**, thanks to old family papers from the 1970s and 1980s, but no sources were listed. So, I'm hunting for the sources and proving and disproving along the way, but it is clear cut to

this William for my large Darlington County, SC and to Wayne Co., MS Davis families.

These old papers name this William who died in 1753, to Isle of Wight Co., VA, as the son of Thomas Davis who left a will naming William.

A stop-over in Pasquotank and Bertie Counties would not surprise me. However, the Fort family in the Edgecombe County, NC deeds with my Davises also came to Craven, Old Cheraws District in what would become Darlington County.

I have DNA matching on two lines from the William who died in 1753. One is from his son William, who died 1799 in Darlington Co., SC and the other is from his son Benjamin, Sr. who died 1795 in Jefferson County, TN. I have a letter from a Mississippi descendant written in 1904 to the families in TN asking about kinship and specifying that the Benjamin who died in TN was a brother to the William who died in 1799 Darlington Co., SC. If it were not for that letter, we would have problems with our paper trail.

Someone, somewhere, has probably already torn the records apart and defined their lines from these areas of VA, NC, and SC, and I would really like to exchange information with them.

### **Will of William Davis, d. 1799, Darlington County, South Carolina.**

In the name of God, Amen. I **WILLIAM DAVIS** of South Carolina and county of Darlington, being very weak and sick, but of perfect mind and memory, Thanks be given to God for his mercy. Calling to mind the mortality of my Body do make this my last Will and Testament.

And as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life, I give and devise and dispose of in the following manner and form.

FIRST, I give and bequeath to **LEAH** my well beloved wife, all my land, House, and Tenement by her to be freely possessed & enjoyed with all my Household Furniture and one negroe wench to be by her possessed during her widowhood, the wench during her life.

SECOND, I give unto **ELIZABETH DAVIS**, my daughter, one negro girl named **Beck**, 3 cows & calves, and one young mare.

THIRD, I give unto my son, **THOMAS DAVIS**, one negro girl named **Chany**, 3 cows and calves, and all my property after the widowhood or death of my wife. I will that be equally divided between my children, **ELIZABETH** and **THOMAS** (excepting the wench which for her life and after her death to be divided).

I also make ... my trusty friends, **THOMAS DAVIS**, my BROTHER, and **Albert Fort**, Esqr., Executors to this my last will... & I do... disavow... all and every other former Testaments, Wills, Legases, Bequests... by me... Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will & Testament in witness whereof I have here unto set my hand and seal, nineteenth Day of July 1799... in the presence of **Adam (A) Griffefs, Corn. Keith, Jacob Griffefs**... Signed Will.m Davis (x his mark)...

Proven in the Darlington Co., SC Court of Ordinary, 28 March, 1800 by oath of **Cornelius Keith**.

This probate packet continues with William's estate and the appraisal of that estate.

28 Mar 1800: appraisers appointed were **John Hayes, James Kilgore, Sherard Horn, & Max. Whiddon**... "or any three of you" shall be directed by **THOMAS DAVIS**, executor. To **Albert FORT**, Esquire, appointed to qualify **John Hayes, James Kilgore, Sherard Horn & Max. Whiddon** or any three of them as appraisers of the estate of **Wm DAVIS**, by administering to them the Oath... This was done by **Fort**, 2 April 1800. The inventory of the estate of **Wm DAVIS** was turned in to the Court by **John Hayes, James Kilgore, and Sherard Horn**. They made their marks.

The inventory was:

13 cattle, 30 hogs, 1 mare, 1 horse, 1 negro named **Beck**, 1 negro named **Chany**, 1 negro named Jean, 80 bushels of corn, 4 bushels of peas, 1 cowhide, 7 deer skins, 150 wate (weight) of bacon, 1 bedsteads & furniture, 1 table, 3

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chairs, 1 cloth tub, 3 bits of leather, 20 wate of cotton, 2 barrels, 1 churn, half a whipsaw, 1 isom (?), 1 lot of pewter, 2 pots & hooks, 1 friar pan, 1 pair of saddlebags, 1 saddle, 1 powdering tool and cotton, 1 ban, a quantity of fat, 1 padlock, cooperware, 1 woling wheel, 2 clubaxes, 1 musket, 1 Riflegun and shot bag, 1 bridle, 2 plowhoes, 2 deading hoe, 1 grubbing hoe, blade fodder, 1 wheat patch, third of a cart, 6 cattle, 11 hogs.

Also, on the 8th of April, 1800, **THOMAS DAVIS**, executor, requested some of the property be sold to answer the demands against said estate. He requested approval to sell one horse, a parcel of hogs, and two guns. Signed **Thomas (T, his mark) DAVIS**. The request was granted & approved to be sold 15 May, 1800 at the dwelling house of the aforesaid deceased **WILLIAM DAVIS**.

Source: Darlington County, South Carolina Probate Court # 189, Case A, Ap't 4, Package 37.

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## Interesting, Amusing Actual Census Entries

Size-wise

My favorite census entry exhibits the creativity enumerators used when families weren't at home. I can't help but wonder, what if this family had had 10 children?

What if they'd been Irish or Italian?

What would the enumerator have come up with instead? From the 1889 Washington Territorial census:

Name of Persons	Nativity
Dutchman, Mr.	Germany
-----, Mrs.	"
-----, Little	"
-----, Small	"
-----, Smaller	"
-----, Smallest	"

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## Ancestry of Elizabeth Davis, Wife of Joseph Converse of Bedford, Mass.

The circumstance that **Joseph Converse**<sup>4</sup> was married to **Elizabeth Davis**, in Lexington, too easily misled the writer of this sketch when seeking to trace her ancestry for the *Converse Family History*, the fact being that she was not a native or resident of Lexington, but both of Bedford, and belonged to one of the oldest families there. Her line of descent is of scarcely less interest than that of her husband.

From recently available records of her branch of the Davis family, an outline history may be drawn which will be of especial value to her lineal descendants. The principal source of information drawn upon for the following genealogical and historical notes is: *Dolor Davis; A Sketch of His Life, with a Record of His Early Descendants*, by Hon. **Horace Davis**, LL. D., M. C., of San Francisco. Mr. Davis is a son of the late Hon. **John Davis** of Worcester, Governor and United States Senator, and his work bears witness to his family love

and loyalty. Other references are: *Shattuck's History of Concord; Potter's Gen. of Old Concord Families; Concord Records of Births, Marriages and Deaths; Bedford Town Records; History, and Genealogy of Old Families of Bedford*, by **Abram English Brown**, and Lincoln and Hersey's *His. of Worcester*.

I. **Dolor Davis**; born about 1593 in County of Kent, England; married, March 29, 1624, **Margery**, daughter of **Richard Willard**, of Horsemonden, County of Kent. She was christened Nov. 7, 1602. **Simon Willard**, a brother of **Margery**, emigrated to America with his family in May, 1634. It is supposed that **Dolor** was a fellow-voyager, unaccompanied by his wife and children. The latter, however, sailed from London for New England, April 17, 1635.

Davis first located in Cambridge, where he received grants of land in 1634 and 1635. The settlement was not permanent. He soon removed to Dux-

bury, where also his residence was brief, although sufficiently fixed for both himself and wife to become members of the church there. He is also mentioned in connection with the towns of Scituate and Groton. As early as 1640 he became interested in founding the town of Barnstable, and three years later migrated there with his family. His next removal was to Concord, in 1655, where he remained till 1666, his wife **Margery** having deceased meantime. He then returned to Barnstable, where two or three of his married children resided, and where other associations were pleasant. He married, second, the widow of Capt. **John Bursley**, about 1671. He died in Barnstable in June, 1673.

The Children of Dolor and Margery were:

1. **John**, 1626.
2. **Mary**, 1631.

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3. **Elizabeth**, 1633.
4. **Simon**, 1636.
5. **Samuel**, 1639.
6. **Ruth**, 1644.

The first three were born in England and the last three in America.

As a man of many virtues, **Dolor Davis** was appreciated and honored in the communities where his lot was cast, of which testimonials were not wanting. He was a Puritan of the milder type, who not only "kept the faith," but was loving and winning in humanitarian service.

II. **Samuel Davis**, son of **Dolor**, born probably 1639-40 in Duxbury; married Jan. 11, 1665-66, **Mary Meddowes** of Lynn. He was a farmer, residing in Concord. His wife **Mary** died Oct. 3, 1710. He married, second, Oct. 18, 1711, **Ruth Taylor**. He died later than 1720; date unknown.

The Children of Samuel and Mary were:

1. **Mercy**, born Oct. 27, 1666; died Dec. 18, 1667.
2. **Samuel**, born June 21, 1669.
3. **Daniel**, born March 16, 1673.
4. **Mary**, born Aug. 12, 1677.
5. **Eleazer**, born July 26, 1680; m. May 7, 1705, **Eunice Potter**.
6. **Simon**, born Aug. 9, 1683.
7. **Stephen**, born March 30, 1686.

[These births and dates appear in the printed records of the Town of Concord, between pages 11 and 29.]

III. **Daniel**, son of **Samuel**, born March 26, 1673; died Feb. n, 1741; married at Concord April 27, 1699, by Rev. **Joseph Estabrook**, **Mary**, dau. of **Jonathan** and **Hannah (Rice) Hubbard**, who died Feb. 2, 1769.

The Children of Daniel and Mary were:

1. **Jonathan**, born Feb. 15, 1699.
2. **Daniel**, born Sept. 29, 1701.
3. **Mary**, born Nov. 28, 1703; died 1709.
4. **Ephraim**, born Jan. 27, 1705.

5. **Nathan**, born March 31, 1708.
6. **Amos**, born April 8, 1711.
7. **Joseph (Josiah)**, born July 9, 1713.
8. **Nathaniel**, born Nov. 3, 1715.
9. **Mary**, born April 4, 1719.

[These births and dates appear in the printed records of the Town of Concord, between pages 47 and 97.]

**Joseph** must have been erroneously entered for **Josiah**. Shattuck, the reliable historian of Concord, gives the name of the seventh son of **Daniel** as **Josiah**, and the identical person later appears on the Bedford records under the same name.

In 1706 **Samuel** the second conveyed to his son **Eleazer** his dwelling and thirty-nine acres of land, and to his son **Daniel** his dwelling and fifty-one acres, "in token of his good will and affection." Both sons were married: **Eleazer** one, and **Daniel** seven years before, and neither migrated from the old home.

The town of Bedford was incorporated Sept. 23, 1729, from parts of Billerica and Concord. The estate given **Daniel** by his father was located in that section of Concord included in the newly formed township; so that without a change of domicile his legal residence came within the limits of another local government. He was prominent in Bedford, both as a citizen and in church relations, during his last twelve years.

IV. **Josiah**, son of **Daniel** and **Mary (Hubbard) Davis**; born in Concord July 9, 1713; married Sept. 2, 1736, **Elizabeth Raymond**. Their Children, all born in Bedford, were:

1. **Josiah**, born Nov. u, 1737; m. **Mary Woolley**.
2. **Mary**, born March 6, 1739-40; m. **Eleazer Davis**.
3. **Daniel**, born April 3, 1742.
4. **Elizabeth**, born Feb. 19, 1743-44; m. **Joseph Converse**.
5. **Paul**, born Jan. 8, 1744.
6. **Jonathan**, born May 23, 1748.
7. **Samuel**, born April 20, 1750; m. **Olive Pollard**.
8. **Tabitha**, born May 12, 1753.
9. **Hannah**, born Oct. 13, 1755. [Dr.

[**W. B. Mead** of Providence obtained the above records from **Charles A. Corey**, Town Clerk of Bedford, February, 1898. They are entered in the Old Records of the Town, page 44.]

V. **Elizabeth**, dau. of **Josiah** and **Elizabeth (Raymond) Davis**, married **Joseph Converse** of Bedford, in Lexington, May 27, 1762. (See *Converse Family History*, page 23.)

The writer trusts it is not too trivial to be mentioned in this connection that he has in careful preservation a memento of his grandmother, **Elizabeth Davis Converse**, in a piece of linen fabric woven by her hands probably more than a century and a quarter ago, when housewives, unbound by modern fashions, were busy and contented in the supervision of their households. This token of remembrance came from a great-granddaughter of **Elizabeth Davis**, Miss **H. Elizabeth Giddings** of Andover, Mass.

The descendants of **Dolor Davis**, through the line of **Simon**<sup>3</sup>, **Simon**<sup>4</sup>, **Isaac**<sup>5</sup> and **Phineas**<sup>6</sup> have for a long period been honorably represented in Worcester City and County. Their names are prominent in the records of Rutland, Holden and Northboro. Among those who have held distinguished official positions which cannot here be named in detail are: Hon. **John Davis**, Hon. **J. C. B. Davis**, Hon. **Horace Davis**, Hon. **Isaac Davis**, and Hon. **Edward L. Davis**.

**John Jay Putnam**.

Worcester, October, 1901.

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