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**Don't Miss Our
Annual Meeting Oct. 17-18, 2008,
at Days Inn, Chesterfield Mall,
1301 Huguenot Rd., Midlothian, VA 23113
804/794-4999**

Rooms are being held for BFA until 15 Sept., at \$74.00 per night. Continental breakfast is available. Our Saturday evening meeting will be in the Chesterfield Room.

No meeting is planned for Friday night, but there are many restaurants nearby, and those who wish to may go as a group for supper.

A tour of historic Bondurant sites will begin promptly on Saturday morning at 9 a.m. Meet in front of the hotel. The tour will be in 15-passenger vans, with communication between them. Cost is \$15 per person. You'll see sites in Chesterfield, Powhatan, Cumberland and Buckingham Cos. on this trip. We also plan to visit the Buckingham Historical Museum. Our tour will stop for lunch in Buckingham Co., and return to the motel about 4 p.m.

Vice President Marcelle Hoffman will set up a display in the Chesterfield Room of Bondurant memorabilia, so bring yours! We'll gather there after supper at 6:30, with our business meeting at 7. Ruby Talley Smith will be our speaker.

Buckingham Baptist Church near Gold Hill, Buckingham Co. will be having services on Sunday, according to Rev. Richard Long, and we are invited to attend. If you need more information, contact him at 434/581-3820.

NEW MEMBERS

Mrs. Alice Ramer Rice Bratcher, 1529 Crosstimbers Dr., Louisville, KY 40245-8411, 502/253-5490.

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OBITUARIES

Our sympathy to their families.

JAMES ALBERT BONDURANT, 64, of Lynchburg, VA, died 24 July 1008 at his residence. Born 5 May 1944 in Lynchburg, he was the son of Ernest Cecil Bondurant, Sr., and Shirle6 Williams. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother Ernest Cecil Bondurant, Jr.

Survivors are his wife Shiela Shupe Bondurant, a nephew Eric Scott Bondurant and his wife Tammy of Bedford, VA.

Mr. Bondurant was a U.S. Navy veteran of the Vietnam War, and grave-side service with military honors by the American Legion Post 16 were conducted 28 July 2008 at Fort Hill Memorial Park. Published in the *Lynchburg News Advance* 26 July 2008, and contributed by Wayne E. Baillie.

ROY S. BONDURANT, died 26 June 2008, in MA. He was born 24 July 1914, Norfolk, VA, the son of Royden Sidney Bondurant and Elizabeth Margaret Ferguson.

MILDRED ALICE BONDURANT GENTRY of Bardstown, KY, died 3 April 2008. She was born 15 Nov. 1908 Brandenburg, KY, the daughter of James Henry Bondurant and Minnie Alice Bland. Mildred married 20 Oct. 1927 William Riley Gentry, born 13 June 1902, died 2 April 1970, of Bardstown. Their two children were:

William Riley Gentry, Jr., born 27 Aug. 1928, whose three children are:

Virginia Lynn Gentry born 24 March 1955

William Riley Gentry IV born 18 Jan. 1957

Lewis Lyon Gentry born 28 Nov. 1967.

Alice Elizabeth Gentry born 3 Sept. 1930, married 1952 Dale Thomas Williams, Sr. whose three children are:

Karen Lea born 4 April 1954

Jill Marie born 31 March 1956

Dale Thomas, Jr. born 21 Aug. 1967.

Mrs. Gentry was survived by her brother Lewis Gardner Bondurant, born 22 Feb. 1923, and a sister Martha Scott Bondurant Lyon, born 22 Jan. 1912, 17 great grandchildren, and 4 great great grandchildren.

She was predeceased by brothers James William Bondurant, born 25 Feb. 1902, and Richard Bland Bondurant born 14 Dec. 1905. James William was the father of Alice Bondurant Scott, born 20 June 1925; Peggy Marie Bondurant Penas born 4 Nov. 1927; James Elliott Bondurant born 19 Oct. 1929; Mary Edna Bondurant Jones, born 18 July 1932; Joseph Alfred Bondurant born 4 Jan. 1835; and Eleanor Jeanetta Bondurant Newman born 3 Jan. 1939.

Contributed by John Tyree Bondurant.

JOSEPH BONDURANT (Joe) THOMAS. The death of this man was announced in the *Commercial-News*, of Danville, IL, 25 Jan. 2008.

He was 81, of rural Bloomingdale, IN, and died 25 Jan. 2008 at his home near Grange Corner. Joe was born 30 July 1926 in Wallace, IN, the son of JOSEPH BONDURANT (Bon) THOMAS and Beulah Marguerite Davis. Joe married Betty June Porter 3 Aug. 1947 in New Market, IN, and she preceded him in death 15 June 2006.

Survivors are his daughters Joanetta Hendel of Westfield, IN, and Pauline (Terry) McMasters, Veedersburg, IN; a twin brother John D. Thomas of Waynetown, IN; sister Ruthann Yater of Kingman, IN; seven grandchildren, seven great grandchildren.

Thomas was a lifelong resident of Grange Community, and farmed. Burial was at Wolf Creek Cemetery near Wallace, IN.

Joe was actually the fourth of that name.

Joseph Bondurant Thomas [I] was born 30 Oct. 1808 Buckingham Co., VA, died 15 Mar. 1894, and buried at Wolf Creek Primitive Baptist Cemetery, Parke Co., IN. His wife was Permelia A. Taylor, born 18 Aug. 1813 VA, died 25 Aug. 1887, also buried at Wolf Creek. Although they had seven children, none was named "Joseph Bondurant Thomas."

Son George Thomas, born about 1840 OH, married Julianna ? born about 1832 IN. Their three children were:

Joseph Bondurant Thomas, Sr. [II], born about 1860

John W. Thomas, born about 1863 IN

Mary E. Thomas, born about 1867.

Joseph Bondurant Thomas, Sr. married Almira V. Myers, born about 1864 IN. Their children:

G. Earl Thomas, born about 1883

Joseph Bondurant Thomas, Jr. [III], born 23 Oct. 1898, died 1990.

Joseph Bondurant Thomas, Jr. [III] married Hazel Lula Etter 1 Jan. 1918 Fountain Co., IN. Hazel was born about 1896 in IN; he m. 2nd Beulah Marguerite Davis, born about 1903 IN. We don't know who the mother of Joseph, Jr.'s children was.

Joseph Bondurant (Joe) Thomas [IV], born 30 July 1926, died 25 Jan. 2009. A twin.

John D. Thomas, a twin, born 30 July 1926

Ruthann Thomas born about 1929, married Mr. Yater.

Joseph [IV] and Betty June Porter had two daughters:

Joanetta Thomas married Mr. Hendel, son Alexander Hendel died before 2008.

Pauline Thomas married Mr. McMasters

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is a perfect example where you see Sr. and Jr., yet the individuals should have been "numbered" in order to avoid confusion!

CORRECTIONS TO ISSUE #75,

From David Holland (bayonet95@yahoo.com)

Page 10. "You show a large list of family born in Fulton County, KY, then at the last there is Walter Marshall Bondurant born 27 Oct. 1878 in Hickman Co., TN.

I bet it was next door to Fulton County, and is in KY. Fulton Co., KY was formed in 1845 out of Hickman Co., KY. The TN county [of the same name] is a good piece from Fulton, being the county of Columbia and Grinder's Switch (a la Minnie Pearl)."

From Sharon Kingen (sakingen@hrtc.net)

Page 12. Thomas Joseph Bondurant. Sharon has his death date as 29 July 1917 in Fountain City, TN. She believes 18 May 1892 was the date of his marriage in Knox Co., TN.

Martha Ann (Annie) Bondurant born 16 March 1883, was still alive when the 1930 census was taken. She married Jacob Astor Lindsey, and were in Tunstall, Pittsylvania Co., VA, in 1930, and her mother Mary V. [Slaydon] Bondurant was enumerated in their household.

Page 13. Lottie Gertrude Bondurant was born 5 June 1888, and she and husband John Hannibal Martin were in Danville City, VA, when 1930 census was made. John H. Martin was Chief of Police in Danville.

MEMPHIS - SHELBY CO., TN, DEATH CERTIFICATES

Clint Bondurant collected this information on persons named Bondurant who died within the county. See what a variety of information can be found!

CHESTER TAMS BONDURANT, #1070, born 24 Aug. 1882 KY, died 12 April 1927, age 44. Captalist/ planter (occupation). Father J.B. Bondurant born TN, mother Katherine Virginia Tams, KY. Informant, Mrs. C.P. Mabry, Hickman, KY. Burial: Hickman, KY. Chronic Nephritis.

EUGENE CLIFTON BONDURANT, #3047, born 28 July 1874, Marion, AL, died 27 Sept. 1945, age 68 years, 9 months, 27 days. Spouse EULA B. BONDURANT. President of Armored Motor Service. Father John F. Bondurant, Buckingham Court House, VA. Mother Adelaide Drake, AL. Informant Julian Bondurant. Burial: Memorial Park, Memphis, TN, 28 Sept. 1945. Congestive Heart Failure.

MRS. EULA BEASLEY BONDURANT, #3125, born 5 May 1877, Hogansville, GA, died 10 Aug. 1954, age 77 years, housewife. Father Robert Beasley, mother ? Wilkinson. Informant Jul-

ian Bondurant. Burial: Memorial Park, Memphis, TN, 11 Aug. 1954. Cancer. [Wife of Eugene Clifton Bondurant.]

MRS. FRANCES E. BONDURANT, #193, birth unknown [about 1846], died 21 Jan. 1922, age 76 years. Father J.T. Burns, VA, mother Eliz. McPeak, VA. Informant, Jack Bondurant. Burial: Paducah, KY, 23 Jan. 1922. Pneumonia. [Wife of John William Bondurant, Sr.]

MRS. GRACE CRENSHAW BONDURANT, widow, #4199, born 12 Oct. 1859, died 15 Dec. 1935, age 76 years. Father Florian Crenshaw, TN, mother Mary Webber [sic], TN. Informant, F.M. Bondurant. Burial **Hickory Withe, KY**, 16 Dec. 1935. Spanish Influenza. [Wife of Robert A. Bondurant.]

MRS. JENNIA WOOD BONDURANT (married), #2467, born TN, date unknown [about 1860], died 12 Sept. 1919, age 59 years. Father Spencer Wood, America, mother Janie Hamel, America. Informant "Mr. Bondurant" [husband Joseph Edward Bondurant]. Cirrhosis of the liver.

JOHN WILLIAM BONDURANT, SR., #1620, born 7 April 1862 KY, died 22 May 1947, age 85 years, 1 month, 15 days. Father Joseph Bondurant, KY, mother Elizabeth Brewer, KY. Informant, Jack Bondurant, Atlanta, GA. Buried: Calvary Cemetery, Memphis, TN, 24 May 1947. Coronary occlusion.

JOSEPH ARTHUR BONDURANT, died 15 Jan. 1936, Hunter, MO. No other record. [Wife Alta Caroline unknown. Born 21 May 1886 Fayette Co., TN.]

JOSEPH EDWARD BONDURANT, #226, BORN 2 Oct. 1859 TN, died 3 March 1931, age 71 years, 5 months, 1 day. Broker. Father Peter M. Bondurant, TN, mother Laura Hilliard, TN. Informant, Lottie May Bondurant. Buried: Elmwood, 4 March 1931. Prostatic obstruction.

MRS. KATE BONDURANT, widow, #55-03657, born 26 Aug. 1883, Hickman, KY, died 7 Sept. 1955, age 72. Father John McGruder Reid, mother Margaret Cooper. Informant, Reid Bondurant. Buried: Hickman, KY 9 Sept. 1955. Cerebral hemorrhage. [Widow of Chester Tams Bondurant]

LEON W. BONDURANT, #55-495, born 29 Sept. 1877, died 14 Nov. 1955, age 78, retired grading contractor. Father William Bondurant, mother Sarah unknown. Informant, Mrs. Mary Bondurant. Buried: Memorial Park, Memphis, TN, 16 Nov. 1955. Cerebral thrombosis.

MRS. LOTTIE LEE BONDURANT, #826, born 10 Oct. 1877, TN, died 5 March 1920, age 42, housewife. Father Joe Bond, TN, mother Ella Bond, TN. Informant Leon W. Bondurant. Buried: Salem Cemetery, 6 March 1920. Influenza and Bronchial pneumonia.. [Possibly first wife of Leon W. Bondurant, above.]

MRS. NELLIE BREEN BONDURANT, #2315, born 30 July 1872, Memphis, TN, died 9 July 1941, age 68 years, 11 months, 9 days, housewife. Father Timothy Breen, County Kerry, Ireland, mother Ellen Moran, Limerick Ireland. Informant, Mary Ann Bland. Buried: Calvary Cemetery, Memphis, TN, 11 July 1941. Cerebral hemorrhage.[Wife of John William Bondurant, Sr.]

NETTIE M. BONDURANT, #679, birth unknown [about 1912], died 9 March 1915, age 2 years, 9 months. Father F.M. Bondurant, TN, mother Mary Crenshaw, TN. Informant, F.M. Bondurant. Buried: Wing Sun Cemetery, 9 March 1915. "Acid acetone intoxication – intestinal intoxication." **[Do you know anything about this child's parents?]**

W.W. BONDURANT, #529, birth unknown [about 1875], died 26 May 1919, age 44, occupation none. Father W.W. Bondurant, unknown, mother Sarah Woodson, unknown. Informant, T.J. Burton. Buried: Elmwood, 26 May 1919. Small pox.
[I have his parents as Joseph W. Bondurant and Sarah Paulina (Sallie) Woodson.]

“FRANKLIN COUNTY MAN AND WIFE BURIED IN SAME GRAVE MONDAY

George Dewey Bondurant, 34, farmer of the Awalt section of Franklin County, near Tullahoma [TN], and his wife Mrs. Hazel Ivey Bondurant, 28, were buried in the same grave in Maplewood Cemetery at Tullahoma, Monday afternoon, June 26 [1933], Mrs. Bondurant having died Thursday night and Mr. Bondurant Saturday morning at the home of her father in West Tullahoma. They were stricken with [typhoid] fever at their home in the country and in order to secure better medical attention for them, they were removed to the home of Mrs. Bondurant's father, Frank Ivey. Mrs. Bondurant's body was being held upon the arrival of her brother from Texas when her husband died, therefore each was placed in a separate casket and buried in a double grave. Mrs. Bondurant is survived by her father and mother, two brothers and two sisters, all of whom except one brother, live in Tullahoma. Mr. Bondurant is survived by two brothers and two sisters."

Clint Bondurant (eod13@earthlink.net) received this notice from a Tullahoma, Franklin Co., TN, newspaper (date and title not given). "George and Hazel were married less than 6 months. Hazel died 22 June and George died 24 June 1933 of Typhoid Fever," added Clint. George Dewey Bondurant, born about 1899, was the son of John Bailey Bondurant, born 1861, and Virginia Catherina Johnson, born 1866, who married about 1895 TN.
What sad day for both the Ivey and Bondurant families.

DECEPTIVE INFORMATION

The following funeral notice shows just how easy it is to be misled by the list of survivors or other kinfolk. The decedent James Alexander Bondurant was the son of John Parnell Bondurant I and his first wife Mary Burton (May) Logwood. There was another living half-brother who was not mentioned – Frank Bondurant, the younger son of John Parnell Bondurant I and Mary Elizabeth (Mollie) Jopling. With the death of J.A.'s only child Mamie Jones, without issue, this branch of the family ended.

Funeral notice, *Atlanta Constitution*, 2 May 1919.

BONDURANT -- Died Thursday afternoon, 5:45 o'clock at his residence 48 Currier St., Mr. J.A. Bondurant, in the sixty-third year of his age. Besides his wife surviving are one daughter, Mrs. L.D. Jones, one brother, C.S. Bondurant, Valdosta, Ga; one sister, Mrs. Kate Jopling, Augusta, GA; a half-brother Emmet Bondurant, Athens, Ga.

Funeral will occur this (Friday) afternoon at 2 o'clock from the chapel of Awtry & Lowndes Co. Interment North View, both of which will be private.

THE JOEL PROBLEM

John Bondurant, Sr., son of Jean-Pierre and Ann, and Sarah Rachel Taylor are said to be parents of this man. JOEL BONDURANT, born 22 Aug. 1742, Goochland Co., VA, died after 1784 Bedford Co., VA. Married after 1765 VA Miss O'Brien, who died after 1784 in Bedford Co., Va.

ALL OF THESE CHILDREN HAVE BEEN ATTRIBUTED (WITHOUT PROOF) TO JOEL, AND MS. O'BRIEN.

Joel Bondurant, Jr., born 1766 VA, died 1846, married 1st Ms. Harris, m. 2nd 11 July 1800 Franklin Co., VA, by Rev. Samuel King, Sarah (Sally) Wheat.

Littleberry Bondurant, born about 1768, died about 1833 Bedford Co VA. 1st wife Pheba ?, 2nd Mary or Nancy Scott whom he married 8 Sept. 1790 Bedford Co., VA.

Thomas Bondurant, born about 1770, Old Hollow, Bedford Co., VA, died 22 Oct. 1839 Boone Co., KY. He married 26 Jan. 1792 Margaret Allen (Peggy) Drury

Joseph Bondurant, born 1771

Drury Bondurant, born 1733, died 1838 Milton Township, Jackson Co., OH, married 1st unknown, 2nd in 1792 unknown

Lucy Bondurant, born about 1775 Bedford Co., VA, died about 1856 VA. She married 10 Sept. 1795 Bedford Co., VA, John Scott.

Nancy Bondurant, born 1784?, died 30 June 1847 Lynchburg, VA. Married 22 Nov. 1804 Israel Snead, a Quaker.

1783 - *VA GENEALOGIST*, vol. 23, p. 60. British Mercantile claims - Cumberland Store. JOEL BONDURANT, "removed to Georgia and unable to pay in 1783."

The assumption is that this Joel Bondurant was born ca. 1750. It is possible that it is the Joel above. However, I think this may be JOSIAH BONDURANT who did move to GA instead.

JOEL BONDURANT, JR. born 1766, died 1846. Married 11 July 1800, Franklin Co., VA, Sarah (Sally) Wheat, born 1776, died after 1815. Their children, birth order unknown:

John William Bondurant, born between 1805-10, died 1880, married Esther Flannigan, and had 9 children, names unknown.

James Henry Bondurant, Sr., born about 1806 VA, died 1887 NC or Henry Co., VA. He married 1 Oct. 1832 in Henry Co., VA, to Margaret Boccock.

Patsey [Martha?] Bondurant, born 1814, married Christopher Stanley.

Lucy Salley Bondurant, married 21 April 1821 Abraham Carter.

The next JOEL BONDURANT we know of was born about 1800, and had a son James Bondurant born about 1825.

James' son was Joel Thomas Bondurant, born about 1850, who married Sally Covington, daughter of John Covington. Joel Thomas' children were:

James Matthew Bondurant, born 13 Dec. 1875, died 13 March 1963 Francisco, NC. He married 14 July 1895 Alice Lawrence.

Reid George Bondurant, born 24 Feb. 1884, died 1965, married 1st Anna or Elva ?, and 2nd Anna Martin.

William Peter (Pete) Bondurant, born 28 June 1883, married Mary Etta Shelton.

Then there is JOEL BONDURANT, son of Drury Bondurant. This Joel was born 1806, died 1870, and married Mary Frazure, born 1802. Their children:

William Clark Bondurant

Mary A.L. Bondurant born 1845, died 1860.

Malinda Bondurant born 1853.

Now we have a JOEL BONDURANT, son of Thomas Benton Bondurant and Mary (Polly) Post. This Joel was born 25 Oct. 1835 OH, died 5 Sept. 1918 Los Angeles, CA. He married 17 Aug. 1858 Louise J. (Lucy) ? Their children were:

Mary A. Bondurant, born 1861 OH, who married E.W. Fisher.

Corilla or Coryla C. (Rilla) Bondurant, born about 1862 OH

Mathew Silas (Matt) Bondurant, born about 1864 OH, died 1885

Charles N. (Charlie) Bondurant, born about 1866 OH

Willard A. or H. Bondurant, born about 1868 OH, married Luena ?

Eva or Effie L. Bondurant, born about 1871.

These are all the Joel Bondurants born before the Civil War, and what little we know about them. You must remember that Sr. and Jr. do not make one father of the other. In that era, Sr. was used to designate the older of two men of the same name, and Jr. the younger man. So Joel, Jr. may NOT be the son of Joel, Sr.

AMANDA MELVINA BONDURANT AND DR. PETER HUNTER COLE

Mrs. Judy Tanner, e-mail: jtanner755@gmail.com, provided a well documented family lineage of Amanda Melvina Bondurant, daughter of Edward Bondurant (1761-1821) and Magdalene Verreuil Moseley (1770-1840) of VA and Hickory Withe, Fayette Co., TN, and several Bible records not previously seen.

Buried in Mount Pleasant Cemetery at Hickory Withe, TN, are:

Magdaline V. Bondurant (1770-1840), Robert M. Bondurant (1801-1866), Pamela A. Bondurant (1801-1845), Major Peter Hunter Cole, Jr. C.S.A. (1837-1862), Emma Elizabeth Mason Cole (1837-1923), Joseph Bondurant Cole (1833-1867), Dr. Peter Hunter Cole (1798-1870), William Gould Shelton (1861-1929) and his wife Sarah Ridley (Shelton) Shelton (1862-1901).

Dr. Peter Hunter Cole, born 15 Dec. 1798, Richmond Co., NC, died 9 March 1870, at Hickory Withe, Fayette Co., TN. He was the son of Stephen William Cole and Nancy Terry.

Peter married 10 July 1828 in Davidson Co., TN, AMANDA MELVINA BONDURANT, born 14 Feb. 1806 Davidson Co., TN, died 25 July 1886, Denton, Denton Co., TX, buried I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Denton.

Their children:

Edward B. Cole, born 9 Oct. 1829 TN, died 28 Aug. 1845, TN, never married.

Anna Magdalene Cole, born 14 Aug. 1831 TN, died 16 Dec. 1845 TN

Joseph Bondurant Cole, born 15 March 1833 Fayette Co., TN, died 7 May 1867 there, married 22 Nov. 1859 in Fayette Co. Emma Elizabeth Mason.

Sarah Amanda Cole, born 28 Oct. 1835 TN, died 7 Sept. 1846 TN.

Peter Hunter Cole, Jr., born 15 May 1837 TN, died 31 Dec. 1862 in battle at Murfreesboro, Rutherford Co., TN, C.S.A.

Martha Permelia Cole, born 28 June 1839 Hickory Withe, Fayette Co., TN, died 23 Aug. 1914 there, married 11 May 1859 Fayette Co., TN, Leonidas V. Shelton.

Mary Elizabeth (Mollie) Cole, born 19 July 1841 Fayette Co., TN, died 17 Oct. 1921, Denton, Denton Co., TX, married 1st 27 Dec. 1860 Fayette Co., TN, Lucius Rives. She married 2nd 31 Oct. 1866 at Hickory Withe, Col. Robert William Pitman.

Cornelia Dixon (Nelia) Cole, born 12 May 1843 TN, died 5 July 1879, Bartlett, Shelby Co., TN. She married 31 Oct. 1866 Fayette Co., TN, Henry Leigh Priddy.

The family records were contained in a Bible published in 1832 by I. Ashmead & Co. In addition to the P.H. Cole childrens' information, births and deaths of grandchildren were also recorded.

Children of Joseph B. Cole & Emma E. Mason:

Fannie D. Cole, born Nov. 23, 1861, died Sept. 15, 1927

Laura B. Cole, born Dec. 13, 1862, died May 23, 1954

James Hunter Cole, born Nov. 2, 1865, died Dec. 2, 1911.

R.P. Shelton, born Oct. 18th 1806, died March 19th 1883.

L.V. Shelton, son of R.P. & S.R. Shelton, born Dec. 10th 1835, died Jan. 24, 1917 [or 1918?]

M.P. Shelton, wife of L.V. Shelton, born June 28th 1839, died Aug. 15, 1915 [or Aug. 23?]

Death Certificate of Mrs. Martha Permelia (Mattie P.) Cole Shelton shows that she was divorced from Leonidas V. Shelton. Her father P.H. Cole was born in Tuscaloosa, AL, and mother Amanda Bondurant in Nashville, TN. Mattie P. Shelton died at Arlington, TN.

Children of Leonidas V. Shelton and Martha Permelia (Mattie) Cole were:

Robert Leslie Shelton, born 20 Oct. 1860, Hickory Withe, Fayette Co., TN, died 30 Aug. 1941 there.

Sarah Ridley Shelton, born 22 Sept. 1862 Hickory Withe, died 11 Feb. 1901 there, married 12 March 1885 in Fayette Co., TN, William Gould Shelton.

Edward Melnott Shelton, born 3 Jan. 1868 TN, died 10 Sept. 1931 Shelby Co., TN. He married Beulah A. Barron 15 Dec. 1908, Shelby Co., TN.

Lyttle Lee Shelton, born 8 Sept. 1872 TN, died 23 Nov. 1927, Memphis, Shelby Co., TN, married 27 Dec. 1899, America S. Gulledege.

Eldon W. Shelton, born 24 Feb. 1877 TN, died 1 Dec. 1902, married 1 Nov. 1899 Shelby Co., TN, Jessye Violet Murray.

William Gould Shelton, and Sarah Ridley Shelton were the parents of:

Martha Winston Shelton, born 8 July 1886 Hickory Withe, died between 1965-1983, possibly in Memphis, TN. She married about 1914 Thomas Prince Pace.

Landon Garland Shelton, born 26 Sept. 1887 Hickory Withe, died 26 March 1965, and married between 1914-1917 Sallie Lee Stone.

Cornelia Rebecca Shelton, born 10 Jan. 1890 Hickory Withe, died 3 Dec. 1964 Dallas, TX.

About 1918 she married James Herbert Higginbotham

John Anthony Shelton, born 28 July 1891 Hickory Withe, died Feb. 1973 at Somerville, Fayette Co., TN. Between 1910-1919 he married Maude Barron.

Mary Catherine Shelton, born 14 Nov. 1893 Hickory Withe, died 15 March 1983, Memphis, Shelby Co., TN, married 13 Feb. 1916 in Somerville, Fayette Co., TN, Odell McCain Wilson

Robert Leslie Shelton, born 17 Jan. 1896 Hickory Withe, died Feb. 1984 Memphis, Shelby Co., TN.

Elizabeth Dew Shelton, born 14 Jan. 1898 Hickory Withe, died 13 Jan. 1998 [a day short of her 100th birthday!] at Palm Harbor, Pinellas Co., FL. Before 1920 she married 1st Clyde Hunter Yandell, and 2nd before 1970 John Morgan.

Baby boy Shelton, stillborn, date unknown.

Mary Catherine Shelton and husband Odell McCain Wilson (10 March 1898 - 8 July 1938) were the parents of six children:

Martha Louise Wilson, born 31 Jan. 1917, Arlington, Shelby Co., TN, died 11 Dec. 1962, Atlanta, Fulton Co., GA. On 10 May 1948 she married Laurens Frank Barker in Memphis, TN. Their only child Judy Carol Barker married William Edward Tanner, and contributed this family information.

Harry Williamson Wilson, born 30 June 1918, Arlington, TN, died 21 Oct. 2002, Largo, Pinellas Co., FL. He married Bobbie Lee Oates.

Infant son Wilson, a twin, born and died 26 Oct. 1920, Arlington, TN.

Zellner Anderson Wilson, twin, born 26 Oct. 1920, Arlington, TN, died 3 Nov. 1920 there.

Kathryn Inez Wilson, born 20 Aug. 1922, Arlington, TN, died 13 Jan. 1997, Somerville, Fayette Co., TN. She married about 1940 Robert Taylor Ricketts.

Mary Dell Wilson, born 7 Oct. 1929 Arlington, TN, married 25 Nov. 1955 in Atlanta, Fulton Co., GA, Thomas Brackett Robertson, Jr.

ELIZABETH BONDURANT AND JAMES PARKINS

We were intrigued to get an e-mail from Sherry Nay, snay2@verizon.net, asking for information on this woman, who was married in the mid-1760s. Further research showed that Sherry descended from TWO BONDURANT WOMEN!

On a previous VA Archives trip, Ruby Smith and I found a bond given by PETER BONDURANT, Jean-Pierre's son, promising to deliver his daughter ELIZABETH BONDURANT, then under 21 and unmarried, to General Court at Williamsburg in Sept. 1762. Elizabeth was to give

testimony in a murder trial. Unfortunately the minutes of the General Court were burned in 1865 when part of Richmond caught fire. Elizabeth was 14-20, thus born between 1742-1748.

This has been the ONLY evidence we've found that Peter had a daughter Elizabeth. If this young woman later married James Perkins or Parkins (spelled both ways according to Sherry), then the next several generations would be thus:

James and Elizabeth Bondurant Parkins were parents of a son Jeremiah Matson Parkins, born 1789.

Jeremiah's son was James Levin Parkins (sometimes called James Eleven Parkins) born 15 Feb. 1824 in Gallia Co., OH. This young man served in the Union Army during the Civil War, and his widow, Mrs. Martha Maxey Parkins Rambo in 1908 applied for a pension on James Levin Parkins' service, while a resident in Moline, Rock Island Co., IL.

James Levin and Martha Maxey Parkins married about 1845, and he died in 1878. They had 9 children, and after his death she married 2nd Abraham Rambo, but had no issue. The Parkins children were:

Berzell Edwin Parkins, born 1848, married Tabitha L. Smith

Boyd Parkins, born 1853, married Hannah Darr

Byron Parkins, born 1856 married Mary Eldridge

Hiram F. Parkins, born 1858, married Laura ?

James M. Parkins, born 1860

Charles H. Parkins, born 1864, married Ida Belle Moon

Sarah Angeline (Anna) Parkins, born 1864 [twin?]

Ida E. Parkins, born 1870, married Silas H. McCallister [sic]

Almon Parkins, born 1874.

This is all we knew about these descendants.

Now if you follow James Levin Parkins' wife MARTHA MAXEY'S ancestry, you find that she was the daughter of James Madison Maxey, born 1804 and his wife Lucinda C. Alderson who d. 1845. James was the son of Ephraim Maxey (1772-1825 and Nancy Ann Woodson or Woodfin, born 1776.

Ephraim Maxey was the son of Rev. Edward Maxey, Baptist minister (1747-1782) and MARY AGNES BONDURANT (1754-1822), the daughter of Dr. Joseph Bondurant, Sr., and Agnes Radford, and granddaughter of Jean-Pierre and Ann Tanner Bondurant.

Another of Dr. Joseph and Agnes' daughters was ELIZABETH (Betty) BONDURANT, born 1758, died about 1803, who married JOHN WATKINS PERKINS (1752-1803).

*One wonders if John Watkins Perkins and James Perkins/Parkins were kin, possibly brothers?
Does anyone know the answer?*

JAMES HENRY BONDURANT AND MARGARET BOCOCK

Beverly Serwitz, e-mail: atwitzend@adelphia.net, identified her ancestor among the Joels above.

Joel, Jr.'s son James Henry Bondurant and Margaret Boccock were parents of:

James Bondurant, born about 1833 VA

Peter Bondurant, born 8 May 1834 Henry Co., VA., died 18 Dec. 1914

John Bondurant, born Oct. 1835 VA

Andrew Drury Bondurant, born about 1838

Joel Thomas Bondurant, born 10 Aug. 1840 NC, died about 1925

William Bondurant, born 1 March 1843 VA, died 10 May 1929 High Point, Guilford Co., NC

Mary Bondurant, born about 1846.

William Bondurant and Mary Ann Bocock were the parents of:

Laura Ann Bondurant, born about 1866 VA, married Tom Young

Drury Mathew Bondurant, born Feb. 1868 VA

Mary Fannie Bondurant, born 15 June 1870 VA, died 10 Oct. 1925

Sarah M. Bondurant, born 15 June 1873 NC, married Joe Mabe

Elizabeth Matilda Bondurant, born about 1875 Stokes Co., NC, died 6 Sept. 1940, Star, Montgomery Co., NC.

James A. Bondurant, born Feb. 1882 NC

Cora L. Bondurant, born April 1884 married Bud Maynard

Joel M. Bondurant, born July 1887 NC

Joseph M. Bondurant, born 1888 NC

Bessie M. Bondurant, born Feb. 1892 married Jim Poplin.

These families lived in Henry and Franklin Cos., VA, near the NC border.

LUCY BONDURANT AND JEFFREY DAVIS

New Member Mrs. Alice Bratcher, 1529 Crosstimbers Dr., Louisville, KY 40245-8411, is the descendant of Dr. Joseph Bondurant, son of Jean-Pierre, and Agnes Radford. She also comments that she may be descended through Ann Bondurant and James Ford, through her mother Florence Alice Gordon's lineage, which needs more research, added Mrs. Bratcher.

Joseph's daughter Lucy or Sucky Bondurant was born 1756 Cumberland Co., VA, and married 1780 in VA, and died 1849 in Powhatan Co., VA. Her first husband was Jeffrey Davis.

Their son Benjamin Thaddeus Davis, a planter in Powhatan Co., was born 5 Aug. 1793 and died March 1868 in Fulton Co., KY. On 15 Aug. 1819 in Powhatan Co., VA, he married Susannah Jordan.

It was their daughter Lucy Ellen Davis, born 30 Dec. 1826 Powhatan Co., Va, who married Robert Emmett Leet in March 1848 Hickman, Fulton Co., KY. Lucy died in April 1919, Los Angeles, CA.

Lucy's daughter Bobbye or Bobbie Leet was born 12 Feb. 1861 Fulton Co., KY, died Aug. 1924 at Hickman, Fulton Co., KY. She married 17 Dec. 1878 in MO George Gray Ramer.

Their daughter Ruby Beatrice (Bee) Ramer was born 16 June 1889, Moscow, Hickman Co., KY, died 10 Dec. 1952 Paducah, McCracken Co., KY, and married Gordon Rice on 17 Oct. 1911, Union City, Obion Co., TN.

Their son Paul Gordon Rice, born 15 Sept. 1912 Moscow, Hickman Co., KY, died 4 Oct. 1994 Louisville, Jefferson Co., KY, married 24 July 1934 Vienna, Johnson Co., IL, Florence Alice Gordon, born 23 June 1917, Nashville, Davidson Co., TN, died 6 Feb. 2003, Oldham Co., KY.

Their two children are:

Paul Gordon Rice, Jr., born 17 May 1936 Paducah, KY

Alice Ramer Rice, born 19 Feb. 1938 Paducah. She married Collen Dale Bratcher, son of Emerson Virgil Bratcher and Margaret Ellen Rule.

MORRIS HOPKINS BONDURANT

Who were his parents, asked Clint Bondurant (eod12@earthlink.net)? Morris was born about 1828 VA, married Alpha (Appy) Folder 1 July 1847 in Botetourt Co., VA. She was born about 1828 in VA. Here are their census appearances:

1850 Monroe Co., VA, 39th Dist., 10 Aug. 1850.

MORRIS BONDURANT, 27 male, born VA, a miller

– Appy, 32 female, born VA

– Morris P., 10/12 months male, born VA [*about Oct. 1849*]

Campbell, Mary A., 7 [born about 1843] female, born VA. [*Was Appy formerly married to a Mr. Campbell, and this her child by an earlier marriage?*]

1860 Monroe Co., Peterstown P.O., VA, 3 Sept. 1860.

MORRIS H. BONDURANT, 32 male, born VA, farm laborer, \$60 personal property

– Alpha, 32 female, born VA

– Morris H., 9 male, born VA

– Mary, 4 female, born VA. [*Had Mary A. Campbell died?*]

From other sources these are the dates of Morris H. and Alpha's children, which do not agree with either their marriage, or census information.

Morris Phillip, born Sept. 1843 [census, 1849], died before 1920 in WV [his parents didn't marry until July 1847]

Amanda V., born about 1848 VA, died July 1850, Monroe Co., VA [later WV]
daughter, name unknown, born 31 May 1853

Mary E. born 17 May 1855, Alexander's Hill, Monroe Co., VA [later WV]. There is a birth record for her 31 May 1856 in Monroe Co., VA.

MORRIS PHILLIP BONDURANT, son of Morris Hopkins and Alpha Folder Bondurant, born Sept. 1843 or Oct. 1849 VA, died before 1920 in WV. He married Salome J. Coiner, born Sept. 1845 in VA. This family was enumerated in 1880 in Summers Co., WV in June 1880.

M.P. BONDURANT, age 30 white male, born VA, both parents born VA.

– S.J., age 30 white female, born VA, both parents born VA

– Ida Jane, 9 white female, born WV [*WV was taken from VA during the Civil War*]

– Henry G., 7 white male, born WV

– John C., 5 white male, born WV

– Alvin, 3 white male, born WV

– Charles F., 5/12 months white male, born WV. [born Feb. 1880]

1900 Census of Monroe Co., WV, Wolf Creek, June 1900

MORRIS P. BONDURANT, born Sept. 1843, age 46 male, white male, farmer

– Salome J., born Sept. 1845, age 50 female, married 30 years, 6 children born, 6 alive.

- John C., born Oct. 1874, age 25, single, farm labor
- Elmer L., born Oct. 1876, age 23, single, farm labor
- Frank C., born Jan. 1880, age 20, single, farm labor
- Walter E., born June 1882, age 17, single farm labor.

Morris' son:

HENRY E. BONDURANT, born June 1872, age 27, farmer
 – Royal D., wife, born Oct. 1877, age 22, no children.

1910 Monroe Co., WV, Wolf Creek, May 1910

MORRIS P. BONDURANT, age 5?, married 40 years, farmer
 – Salome J., wife, age 5? years, married 40 years, 6 children born, 5 living, farmer
 – Henry E., age 36, married 12 years
 – Roxy D., wife, age 31, married 12 years, no children
 – Walter E., brother, age 27, single, merchant - dry goods.

Morris Phillip Bondurant's daughter IDA JANE BONDURANT, born about 1871 WV, married James M. Nelson, born about 1870 WV. They appeared in the 1910 Census of Summers Co., WV, Talcott, April 1910.

J.M. NELSON, age 39, white male, married 13 years, merchant- general store
 – Ida J., wife, age 38, married 13 years, 2 children born, 2 living
 – Everett, son, age 12, born WV
 – Earl, son, age 8, born WV
 W.E. BONDURANT, brother in law, age 28 single, merchant - gen. store.

HENRY G. BONDURANT, son of Morris P., was born June 1872 WV, married Royal or Roxie unknown, born Oct. 1877 WV. They were in 1820 census of Monroe Co., WV, Wolf Creek Township.

HENRY BONDURANT, age 47, farmer
 – Rac, wife. age 41

Clyde Kirby, servant, white female, 20 single, housekeeper - private family.

JOHN CLAUDIUS BONDURANT, another son of Morris P., was in 1920 Monroe Co., WV census in Wolf Creek Township.

JOHN C. BONDURANT, age 45, signal foreman- railroad
 – Mattie E. wife, age 40

Dora E. Hines, sister in law, age 35 single, clerk, dry goods store
 Saloma Y. Bondurant, mother, age 70, widow.

John Claudius Bondurant registered for the draft in World War I, 12 Sept. 1918 at Monroe Co., WV. He was of medium build, stout, with blue eyes and gray hair. He must have died before 1930, for his widow headed the family in the 1930 Monroe Co., WV, Wolf Creek Twp. census:

MATTIE BONDURANT, age 51, widow, married 24 years, seamstress - dressmaker
 Dora Hines, sister, age 47 single, born WV.

ALVIN L. BONDURANT born Oct. 1876 WV

CHARLES FRANK BONDURANT born 14 Jan. 1880, Cabell, Summers Co., WV, married Emma unknown, born WV, died before 1930 in WV. In Cabell Co., WV, Huntington Twp. 1930 Census:

CHARLES F. BONDURANT, age 50, widower, gang foreman- steam railroad
– Charles F., Jr., son, 21 single.

Charles Frank, Sr., registered at Huntington, WV, 9 Sept. 1918, for World War I, and 27 April 1942 in WV for World War II. He was of medium height, medium build, blue eyes, and black hair.

WALTER EMMETT BONDURANT, born 28 June 1882 WV, married Bessie Travis Crawford, born about 1889 WV. He appeared in 1910 Summers Co., WV Census at Talcott, living with his sister Ida J. Nelson.

The 1930 Greenbrier Co., Alderson Dist., WV Census spelled his name incorrectly:

WALLIS E. BONDURANT, age 47, married 28 years, clerk - post office
– Bessie C., wife, age 41, married 22 years [discrepancy?]
– Walter M., son, age 14, born WV
– Robert L., son, age 9, born WV.

Walter Emmett Bondurant registered 12 Sept. 1918 at Washington, DC for World War I. He was described as medium build, stout, blue eyes, dark hair.

Can anyone help place Morris Hopkins Bondurant in a Bondurant family?

WHO'S THIS GUY -- ROBERT H. BONDURANT

From the **Gazette and Bulletin**, Williamsport, PA, 22 Feb. 1952.

“Gunfire from Irate Citizens Foils Bank Holdup Attempt in Tennessee Community

MIDDLETON, TENN. – A furious gunfight erupted in this little southwest Tennessee town yesterday when a gunman tried to hold up the bank. The mass fire of angry citizens cut him down. . .

The FBI identified the gunman as ROBERT H. BONDURANT of Memphis, Tenn. He was charged with bank robbery. He was taken to a clinic at nearby Bolivar for treatment. . . .”

SARAH DRUCILLA (SALLIE) BONDURANT

Another child of Edward R. Bondurant (ca. 1751-1821) and Magdalene Veril Moseley (1770-1840), was Sallie Bondurant, born 6 July 1799 in Davidson Co., TN, died 4 Oct. 1847 Fayette Co., TN. Sallie became the bride of Henry H. Munger Pitman, M.D. 29 Nov. 1823. Pitman was born 14 Aug. 1798, died 11 Sept. 1865.

Their son Jacob Sidney Pitman was born 3 Jan. 1835 in Fayette Co., TN, died 13 March 1915 in Lexington, KY, and married in 1861 Mary Elizabeth Alexander, born about 1841 KY. Jacob Sidney Pitman saw active service in the Confederate Army during the Civil War, as his pension application disclosed. He had lived in KY since 1852, and was a bookkeeper by profession. Sidney

enlisted 1 Sept. 1862, and was elected 1st Lt. of 3rd Battalion Kentucky Mounted Rifles. Unfortunately Sidney was captured at Triplett's Bridge, Triplett, KY, in Rowan Co., 16 June 1863, and was sent to Camp Chase OH then transferred to Johnson's Island Union Prison later that month. He was exchanged finally at City Point, VA, 24 Feb. 1865. He was listed as 5'10" tall, age 28, dark eyes, light hair and fair complexion.

Robert M. Pitman, son of Jacob Sidney, was born about 1861, died about 1904, and married Kathleen Blevins, born 12 Aug. 1863, died 8 Oct. 1895.

Their son Judson M. Pitman was born 24 Oct. 1892, died 12 May 1958, and married Margaret Wood, born 24 Dec. 1902, died 30 Sept. 1987.

Their son John Brooks Pitman, Sr., was born 6 June 1934, Carlisle, Nicholas Co., KY, and married Ada Pauline Roe, born 10 Dec. 1934 Bourbon Co., KY. They were married 3 Oct. 1956, Bourbon Co., KY. Their son:

John Brooks Pitman, Jr., born 8 April 1959, Columbus, OH, married 14 Aug. 1987 Lexington, KY, Rebecca Lynn Maxwell, daughter of Elmer Maxwell and Emma Madon. Their three children are:

Natalie Elizabeth Pitman born 15 June 1991

John Brooks Pitman III born 11 Jan. 1994

Daniel Clay Pitman born 2 March 1995.

WALKER I. BONDURANT

Clint Bondurant, e-mail: eod13@earthlink.net has been trying to find more information on this man, who appeared in 1870 Census of Clarke Co., IN.

Ruby Talley Smith, e-mail: rubbygem@aol.com thinks that he might be the oldest son of WILLIAM SAMUEL BONDURANT.

This is about all we know about the family.

William Samuel Bondurant was born 12 July 1825, died Feb. 1860 in MO of tuberculosis. He married Nancy Frances (Nannie) Basket, daughter of Thomas Basket. Nannie was born 25 March 1831, died 4 March 1915.

The three Bondurant children were:

M.J. [could this be Walker I.?], male, born about 1851 KY

Ida born 14 Aug. 1853, died 21 July 1945

Laura born 1857 MO, died 1890.

In the 1850 census, William Samuel was living in the household of Thomas Basket, who was Nannie's father. In 1860 census in Dickerson, Lewis Co., MO, Nannie and the children were in a household headed by A. Bouson. In 1880 census of Louisville, KY, she headed a household.

Ruby found that after William Samuel's death, Nannie Basket Bondurant married 2nd John Goode Farmer, Sr., born 11 July 1808 Farmdale, Franklin Co., KY, died 1 Feb. 1871, a dry good merchant in Shelby Co., KY. This second marriage must have occurred about 1863, for by Mr. Farmer Nannie had two additional children:

Frances (Fannie) Farmer born 2 Aug. 1867

Edward Thomas Farmer born 22 April 1871.

In Cave Hill Cemetery, Louisville, Jefferson Co., KY, are three burials in Lot 592:

Nannie F. Farmer, burial 7 March 1915
Miss Laura Bondurant, burial 14 Sept. 1890
Walker I. Bondurant, burial 27 May 1894.

William S. and Nannie's daughter Ida Bondurant married Hillory J. Greenwell, 6 Aug. 1874, and had 5 children. He died 1913 in Kansas City, MO. Ida died 21 July 1945 there. The Greenwell children were:

Walton R. Greenwell, born 10 July 1875
John W. Greenwell, born 24 May 1879
Basil M. Greenwell, born 26 April 1882
Charles Logan Greenwell, born 16 July 1884
Mary B. Greenwell, born 7 July 1891.

Clint traced Walker I. Bondurant, and found him in 1870 Census of Clark Co., IN, Jeffersonville Ward, in home of Joe W. Hopkins, a Tobacco manufacturer, his wife Martha, and daughter Fannie. Walker was listed as 18, born KY, clerk in Tobacco manufactory. Amanda Nicholson, 18, white female, born KY, was listed as a domestic servant. In 1886 Walker was listed as a "Clerk" in Louisville, KY. He apparently committed suicide, and was buried 27 May 1894.

Does anyone know more about Walker's tragic history?

EDITOR'S NOTE: I found this little poem written by my late father while looking for photographs for a family reunion of his descendants. I hope you'll enjoy his words of wisdom!

Mary Bondurant Warren

VICARIOUS LIVING

by John Parnell Bondurant II, 1977

Living vicariously earns no pay,
Puts chicken in no pot,
So suddenly you wake up some day
And nothing's what you've got;
It's fun to watch the heroes
In battles, games and races
But don't forget the credit goes
To other names and faces!

From stands and sidelines where we sit
We are prone to criticize

The fellow who is being hit,
Sometimes by malicious lies;
Or then, again, when he does err
With faulty judgment made
We treat him like a yellow cur
And don't go to his aid.

The real triumphant fellow
When things are going tough
Is he who does not yellow –
But strives on hard enough
To break misfortune's ugly grip
(Both real and that assumed);
He never does abandon ship –
Though foundering, he's not doomed!

It's not enough in the Game of Life
To watch what others do;
Their joys, desires, and all their strife
Can ne'er belong to you;
So you must grab your oar, my friend
And heave against the tide;
Fulfillment greets you in the end
When you can know you tried!

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