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2013 BFA Annual Meeting
Bondurant School of High Performance Driving
Chandler, AZ
November 15-16

The 2013 BFA Annual Meeting will be held at the Bondurant School of High Performance Driving located at the Firebird International Raceway in Chandler, AZ on November 15 & 16. Our hosts this year will be Bob and Pat Bondurant.

The meeting will include "Meet Your Kin" meeting at the Bondurant School event center on Friday evening (November 15), annual BFA business meeting and genealogical presentation on Saturday morning (Nov 16), lunch at the school, and a short driving course at the Bondurant School on Saturday afternoon (Nov 16).

The meeting will conclude with group dinner at the school event center Saturday evening. The motel locations for lodging at the annual meeting will be announced later.



DEATHS

Our sympathy to the families they leave behind.

DEWEY JAMES BONDURANT, SR., born 25 April 1925, died 28 Feb. 2013 in Florala, AL. He was the widower of Ola Samantha Bell, born 13 June 1929 in Atmore, AL, died 2 Jan. 2002 in Flomaton, AL.

Their son Dewey Bondurant, Jr., was re-elected as Mayor of Flomaton, AL, this past August. Other sons are John Stewart, Mark Anthony, Maxie, Farris, and Longfellow Dee Bondurant.

DONALD JENE BONDURANT, 82, of Paducah, KY, 7 Jan. 2013. Survivors include his children Daniel, wife Marinena, Janice and husband Ron Morehead, Shela and husband William Hoehler, 5 grandchildren Craig, and Aaron Bondurant, Brandon, and wife Brittany Morehead, Alissa Morehead and Kirsten Koehler. Donald's wife Frances Olene Ferrell, and parents James M. and Josephine Williams Junior, and brother and sister Richard Bondurant and Joyce Barber preceded him in death. His brothers Tommy, Jerry, and "Pop" Bondurant survive.

Clint Bondurant added that he believes that Donald was the son of James Milton Bondurant, and grandson of Thomas Cotton Bondurant and Maggie Wiseman.

MRS. LILLIAN KESSLER "LIL" BONDURANT, died 20 March 2013 at her home in Radford, VA. The daughter of Harry W. Kessler and Lillian Cornelia Gentry, Lil and Hix Clifton Bondurant had been married for 65 years. Their children are Bill and wife Becca, David and wife Allison, Nancy Bondurant-Couch, and daughter-in-law Carolee J. Bondurant, widow of son Kenneth Kessler Bondurant. There are 9 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren surviving.

Hix and Lil met at Emory & Henry College, and were its boosters. When the Bondurants went to Genolhac, France, 1993, three brothers and sister Rebecca Bondurant Lynch, Hix and Lil, Jack and Peggy, and Jim Bondurant made the trip. For many years Hix and Lil were active in the Bondurant Family Association, and son Kenneth and wife Carolee hosted the annual meeting at Abingdon, VA, just before his death.

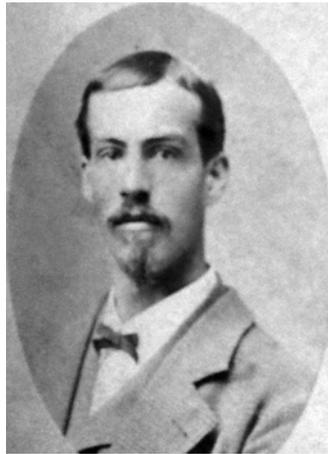
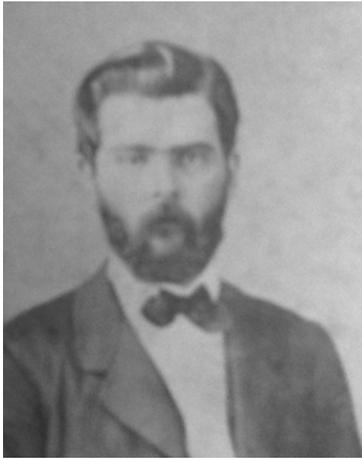
SHARON A. KINGEN, of McCordsville, IN, died 8 Jan. 2013. Born 6 July 1944, she was the only child of the late Dennis "Dink" Kingen and Mildred Dale Snyder. Her grandparents were Bob Kingen and Allen and Gertrude Snyder. Sharon is survived by cousins Karen Fleming, Marta Evry Bowman, and Dennis Fisk.

Sharon earned a Ph.D. in Literature and English from Ball State University and formerly taught at University of Indianapolis and Ball State. She was the owner of Kingen Gun Club, and member of the Indiana Trapshooting Association. She had won the Grand National Ladies Championship for Trapshooting in Vandalia, OH.

Following the funeral at Mt. Comfort United Methodist Church, she was buried at Washington Park East, Indianapolis, IN.

Editor's Note: Sharon served as Secretary of the BFA, and was active for many years in our annual meetings, while her health permitted. She had been preparing biographies of Bondurants whom she had researched, and through the kindness of Kelly Paugh, a friend, we have received digital copies of much of her work. It will be posted on the BFA website in the near future.

GUESS WHO? Identification appreciated!



Could either of these men be William Bascom Jopling I, who married lovely Kate Bondurant?

William Henry Bascom “Bass” Jopling I was born 24 July 1850 in Bedford Co., VA, and died 28 Aug. 1889 of a heart attack at Augusta. He and Kate were buried in Magnolia Cemetery, Augusta, GA.



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Eliza Catherine “Kate” Bondurant was born 14 Sept. 1856 in Lynchburg, VA, and died 14 Nov. 1939 in Augusta, GA.



Katie Smith (kaben@windstream.net) is a descendant of Bass and Kate Jopling, and among family photos found those of the two unidentified men above. Has any other member of this family a photograph, identified, of Bass Jopling, she asked?

COL. THOMAS MOSELEY BONDURANT, of Buckingham Co., VA

Susan Venable (smvenable@gmail.com) descends from Thomas, owned of *The Richmond Whig* newspaper, through his Alexander “Sandy” Bondurant, who daughter Harriet Lavinia Dabney Bondurant was born about 1878, and died before 1951. Harriet became the wife of Clifford Hare.

SARAH COWAN FORD

Amy Martin (amymartinhomedesigns@mac.com) needs the ancestors of this woman, wife of Joseph King. Her mother is posited as Anne Ford (1794-1863), daughter of Joseph Ford I, (1766-1846 Knox Co., TN) and Mary Magdelene Maxey (1766-1850), both descendants of Jean Pierre! Joseph was the son of James Ford and Sally Burit, and Mary daughter of Edward Maxey and Judith Sarah Ford, siblings, the children of Jacques Faure/James Ford, and Anne Bondurant.

Anne Ford (1794-1863) was married 5 Nov. 1818 in Knox Co., TN, to James Anderson, Jr., and their known children are Mary Jane, Margaret, Peggy [possibly Margaret], and Joseph W. Anderson (1829-1909). Was Sarah their daughter? Was her name Sarah Cowan Ford Anderson?

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH # 2, by Sharon Kingen

BENJAMIN BONDURANT

Son of Darby Bondurant and Ruth Agee (1st wife)

Benjamin Bondurant was the son of Darby Bondurant and Ruth Agee (Bible record posted at <http://lvaimage.lib.va.us/Bible/33256/index.html> Bible Record Image and <http://lvaimage.lib.va.us/Bible/25386/index.html> Bible Record Image, which show Benjamin's father as Darbey). He was born 17 Feb 1773 (Bible record see sources listed above). However, Donald C. Bondurant in *History of Fulton Co., KY*, p. 67, says he was born 17 Feb 1774. His tombstone supposedly says that he was born 1774 (BFA Newsletter #44, p. 5). However, his brother Joseph was born Apr of 1774 (Bible record see sources listed above), making it impossible for Benjamin to have been born in Feb of that same year.

Benjamin Bondurant married a Moseley 12 Jul 1797. One Bible record shows her as Saley C. or E. (Bible record see sources listed above; the initial is difficult to read), but another shows her as Sarah E. (BFA Newsletter #5, pp. 4-5). Saley Bondurant, wife of Benjamin Bondurant, was born 4 May 1781 (Bible record see digital sources listed above). This date is also given in the genealogical research of M. Dennis (document available at the 300th Anniversary Celebration of the BFA in Williamsburg, VA, October, 2000). However, FamilySearch Ancestral File shows her birth as 1780, and the date engraved on her tombstone is 4 May 1780 (photo in BFA Newsletter #67, p. 2). In either case, she was about 7 years younger than her husband. Sarah "Sally" E. Moseley was the daughter of Robert Moseley who died 7 Jun 1829 in Logan Co., KY ("Robert Moseley of Buckingham County, Virginia, and Logan County, Kentucky, Property Settlement," *Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*, Vol. 35, No. 2. This article, written by M.B. Lozo, contains much genealogical information about this Bondurant family with citations to sources). Several sources list her middle name as East (e.g., Donald C. Bondurant in *History of Fulton Co., KY*, p. 67; Dennis research document), and East is engraved on her tombstone (photo, BFA Newsletter, #67, p. 2).

The *Surveyor's Plat Book of Buckingham Co., VA*, shows that on 18 Sep 1798 120 acres of land at the head of the south fork of Rock Island Creek, adjoining Joseph Good, Isaac Sallee, Fore, and Darby Bondurant were surveyed for Benjamin and David Bondurant. This description seems to refer to the beginning of what is now known as Little Rock Island Creek. This property would have been about 4 miles southwest of Centenary, near VA highways 655 and 704. It would also have been about five miles due south of the James River. Benjamin does not seem to appear in the 1800 tax list, but he must have been in the area because on 27 Dec 1800 Benjamin and David were granted 120 acres on the head of Rock Island Creek on the east side of the road from Goodwin's Church to the Albemarle old courthouse ferry (source: grant #46, 1797-1801, p.

570). [Who can identify the location of Goodwin's Church and/or the Albemarle old courthouse ferry? Was this Route 20? Was Scottsville the site of the ferry?] Although the description is somewhat different, it seems probable that this was the same land that was surveyed in 1798. We can be reasonably certain that this is the right Benjamin Bondurant because he had a brother named David.

However, Benjamin may not have stayed long on this land (and may never have occupied it). Instead, he may have crossed to the north side of the James River and purchased land there because he appears in Nelson Co., VA in the 1809 tax list. He was still there in 1810. The census record shows that he was aged 26 to 45 as was his wife. In the household were 2 males aged 10 to 16, 1 female aged under 10, and 4 males aged under 10.

[Compiler's note: I question whether this is actually a census of Nelson County; it is labeled Nelson Co. in a different hand than that of the census taker, the list is only 8 pages long with approximately 16 names per page, and it contains only people whose names begin with letters A through C. Nelson Co. was created 1807/1808 from Buckingham Co., so perhaps there was some confusion about the boundaries. This might also serve to explain Benjamin's appearance in the Nelson Co. tax list of 1809 as well. On the other hand, Benjamin and Sarah's daughter Pauline Bondurant is reported to have been born in Nelson Co., VA.]

Research on descendants (e.g., Dennis research document) shows that Benjamin and Sarah had 7 children prior to 1810: Robert M., William A., Albert G., Hillary H., David L., Benjamin T., and Pauline B. This census record seems to match exactly with the known births of these seven children.

Sometime between 1810 and 1820, Benjamin Bondurant moved to Kentucky [any land records to show when they moved?]. Dennis's research document indicates that Benjamin may have first moved to Logan Co., KY before moving on to Shelby Co., KY. Benjamin's grandson, Benjamin V. T., in ___ (source??) reported that his grandfather Benjamin moved from Buckingham Co., VA to KY and then to Dresden, TN about 1821. [Is this in his Civil War veteran's interview?]

Donald C. Bondurant (*History of Fulton Co., KY*, p. 67) states that while living in Shelby Co., KY Benjamin "operated an inn for travelers; but later moved with his family to Weakley County, TN" (same statement is found in Dennis's research document). While Benjamin may have resided in Logan Co. at some point between 1810 and 1820 (note that his wife's father did reside there), the census records show him residing in Shelby Co., KY in 1820. That entry shows that he was over age 45 (he would have been 47), but his wife was aged 26 to 45 (she would have been 39 or 40). They had with them a daughter aged 10 to 16, 2 sons under 10 and 2 daughters under 10. The census also shows that 4 people were engaged in agriculture. The household also included 7 male slaves and 9 female slaves.

Between 1810 and 1820, Benjamin and Sarah had had 4 children in addition to the 7 produced before 1810. The 4 additions were James E., Virginia Ann, Joseph S., and Louisa C. This 1820 listing seems to include these 4 youngsters plus Pauline B. who would have been about 11 at this time. Other records also show that by the time the 1820 census was taken, 2 of Benjamin and Sarah's children, Robert M. and William A., had married (both were married in Shelby Co., KY). Missing from Benjamin's household were 4 males: Albert G., aged about 18; Hillary H., aged about 17; David L., aged about 15; and Benjamin T., aged about 13. Later records show that they all were living, but their whereabouts in 1820 is a mystery.

As noted, two of Benjamin's sons married while the family was in Shelby Co., KY. William A., whose middle name is often recorded as Agee (e.g., Dennis research document), was

born 15 or 31 Jul 1800 [which record gives which date?]. He appears to have been one of the earliest in the family to arrive in Shelby Co., KY. Marriage records show that a William Bondurant married 23 Feb 1819 in Shelby Co., KY Elizabeth Richerson. However, if this was he, the marriage was not recorded in the family Bible and the marriage must have been brief because William A. Bondurant married 15 Nov 1819 Katie Esters (Shelby Co., KY marriage records), daughter of Joel Esters (Dennis research document). However, just a few weeks later, on 4 Dec 1819, William died (Bible record published in BFA Newsletter #5, p. 5). He does not appear in the 1820 census. It is probable but unproven that William A. Bondurant died and was buried in Shelby Co., KY. Nothing more is known about his widow, but there is no evidence that a child resulted from this brief union.

As the previous data indicate, Benjamin did not remain long in Kentucky. Sometime shortly after the birth of their last children in October of 1821 (a set of twins named Churchill P. and Emeline E.), he moved the family to Weakley Co., TN, which is located in the northwestern corner of the state and borders on Kentucky. However, Weakley County had yet to be organized. Benjamin and Sarah apparently were there in Dec of 1822 when their seventeen-year-old son David Latin, born 24 Sep 1805, died (BFA Newsletter #44, p. 5) on either the 13th [source?] or the 31st (BFA Newsletter # 5, p. 5). About six months later on 16 Jun 1823 their seven-year-old son Joseph Simpson, born 4 Jun 1816, died. Both were buried in the Bondurant Graveyard in Weakley Co., TN (cemetery catalog published in BFA Newsletter #44, p. 5 shows dates and full given names).

According to M. Dennis, "...he [Benjamin] is listed as 'one of the first settlers in Weakley Co.,' which was established on Oct. 23, 1823. The act establishing the county provided that sessions of the county and circuit courts would be held in the home of John Terrell until otherwise provided -- court continued to hold sessions in the house of John Terrell & Benjamin Bondurant until April 1828. Next session was held in the new courthouse" (Dennis research document). However, according to *Tennessee the Volunteer State 1769-1923*, Vol. 1, p. 902, the county was organized in 1825 and Dresden was selected as the county seat and laid out in that same year. The first courthouse was completed in 1827 and the first session of the court held in it in 1828. Prior to this time some of the sessions of the court had been held in the house of Benjamin Bondurant in Dresden. A sketch entitled "First Settlers of Weakley" posted on the Weakley Co., TN GenWeb site includes Benjamin Bondurant as part of the "Ridgeway Settlement" on Cane Creek. The same year the courthouse was finished, Benjamin Tallasee Bondurant, who was born 8 Oct 1807, died on 16 Oct 1827 and was buried in the Bondurant Graveyard (cemetery catalog published in BFA #44, p. 5 gives date and full name). He died just eight days after celebrating his twentieth birthday.

Despite these losses, the family remained. They were there in 1830 as the following census record shows:

Weakley Co., TN

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(1 male 5-10, 1 male 10-15, 1 male 15-20, 3 males 20-30, 1 male 30-40, and 1 male 50-60)

(1 female 5-10, 1 female 10-15, 1 female 15-20, and 1 female 50-60)

However, there is a problem; this household includes more people than should be here.

Benjamin and Sarah had a total of 13 children. However, by 1830 at least 4 were deceased – William Agee, David Latin, Joseph Simpson, and Benjamin Tallasee. Their eldest son, Robert M. was living in his own household in 1830. The same can be said for Albert G. and Hillary H. Additionally, their daughter Pauline B. was married and living with her husband at another

location. That means that 8 of their 13 children are accounted for. The 2 youngest children in their household were, no doubt, the twins. The next older female was their daughter Louisa C. The male 15 to 20 should be their son James E. That accounts for 4 of the missing 5. What of the other one, Virginia Ann? She might be the eldest of the younger females; she was recently married and had not yet had any children. Her husband could be one of the 3 men aged 20 to 30. However, that leaves a male aged 10-15, 2 males aged 20-30, and a male aged 30-40 unidentified.

Although it is not proven, it seems likely that Benjamin's house in Tennessee was a place where travelers could stay. The following news report (Ancestry.com Wilson Co., TN message board, posted 8 Oct 2004) seems to indicate this:

National Banner and Nashville Whig, August 7, 1835

DIED: At the residence of Benj. Bondurant in the town of Dresden, Tenn. on Saturday the 18th of July, 1835, a traveller who called himself John Millwood, and said he was from Clay county, Illinois.

Perhaps the unidentified people in the 1830 census were temporary boarders.

On 22 Aug 1832 Sarah East Moseley/Bondurant died (Bible record published in BFA newsletter No. 5, p. 5; Dennis document gives same date). Soon afterward, Benjamin married Martha Aydelott (Dennis document gives her name and says "no issue, she had children by former marriage"). Benjamin's marriage to Martha was not recorded in the family Bible. Ancestry.com World Tree (The Pilcher-Barrow-Swiggart Families of Nashville) states that this marriage occurred 12 Dec 1833. [Is there any official confirmation of this marriage?] Data posted at Computerized Ancestor (<http://www.sanbachs.com/cdi>) shows that she was b. 1784. Ancestry.com World Tree (The Pilcher-Barrow-Swiggart Families of Nashville) shows Martha Aydelotte, the wife of Benjamin Bondurant, as having been born 4 Apr 1784, but that remains unconfirmed.

The identity of the extra people in Benjamin's household in 1830 is not explained by the 1840 census data. Benjamin was still in Weakley Co., TN. The household contained Benjamin who was listed as age 60-70. His second wife was aged 40-50. In the household were a female aged 20-30 and a male aged 15-20. The male was most likely Benjamin's son Churchill P. who had not yet married by 1840. The identity of the female, however, is somewhat a mystery although she might have been a child of Martha Aydelott's from a previous marriage.

On 23 Oct 1845 Benjamin Bondurant died in Weakley Co., TN (Bible record published in BFA Newsletter #5, p. 5, but Dennis research states that the Bondurant-Jones Bible says he died 22 Oct 1845). He was buried in Weakley County in the Bondurant Graveyard as were his first wife and at least 5 of their children. The catalog of the Bondurant Graveyard (BFA Newsletter #44, p. 5) includes a record of Benjamin's stone that supposedly says that he was born Feb 1774 and died 23 Oct 1845 and includes a Masonic emblem. M. Dennis states that Benjamin Bondurant left a will dated 26 Sep 1845 proved 3 Nov 1845 in Weakley Co., TN. [Does anyone have a copy of this will?]

His widow does not seem to appear in the 1850 census. Ancestry.com World Tree (The Pilcher-Barrow-Swiggart Families of Nashville) shows that she died 11 Aug 1845, but this is unconfirmed. There is no evidence that she and Benjamin had children, which is not surprising given the age of both when they married. She was buried in the Bondurant Graveyard (BFA Newsletter #67, p. 3).

On 28 May 2005 a commemorative marker was placed on the grave of Benjamin Bondurant (BFA Newsletter #67, pp. 2 & 3) in the Bondurant Cemetery on Summers Road, Dresden, TN. The article in the newsletter reviews the history of Benjamin's life and the work that went into restoring the cemetery. "In all nine gravestones were found here: Benjamin (died 1845) and Sarah (died 1832), Albert Gallatin Bondurant, one of the first lawyers in the county, and his two daughters Mary and Cordelia Bondurant; Benjamin Tallasee Bondurant; Louisa Clayborn Bondurant Knox, and Martha Aydelott Bondurant, and grandchild Churchill Payne Ethridge who died in infancy."

In summary, Benjamin Bondurant and Sarah "Sally" East Moseley began their married life in Buckingham and/or Nelson Co., VA. They moved to Shelby Co., KY and finally settled in Weakley Co., TN in what would become the county seat of Dresden. Four of their children died relatively young – William Agee, David Latin, Joseph Simpson, and Benjamin Tallasee. Their remaining nine children lived to adulthood, married, and had children: Robert M., Albert G., Hillary H., Pauline B., James E., Virginia Ann, Louisa C., Churchill P., and Emeline E.

BLACK FAMILIES BEARING THE BONDURANT NAME

By Sharon Kingen

Joseph Bondurant was the son of Darby Bondurant, grandson of John Bondurant, and great-grandson of Jean Pierre. He married in 1797 Rhoda Terry. They moved to Bath Co., KY by at least 1820 and resided there for twenty years. On Oct. 15, 1839 Joseph emancipated "my woman slave Lucinda aged 27 years, my girl slave Elisabeth aged 5 years, my girl slave Lucy aged 2 years". In his will Joseph made the following statement: "I give and bequeath to following named slave Charity the old woman of whose increase are all my slaves, was inherited from her father by my wife Rhoda Bondurant. The following are the names of the slaves: Charity, Isaac P., Hannah, Moses, Isaac, Jr., Henry, Milly, Jackson, Thomas, in consideration of the affection and love I bear to my said Wife Rhoda Bondurant and in consideration of her Inheriting the mother of them all by her father and the extreme ___ he used in raising of them all, I give them all and their future increase to her and her heirs and assigns forever as her own proper and absolute right."

I'm not sure now of where I obtained the information, but I have notes that Rhoda's father was Stephen Terry. In Rhoda's will, dated Oct. 30, 1843, and recorded Dec. 8, 1845, she states the following: "First, It is my will and desire that all my negro slaves named as follows Charity, Isaac, Hannah, Moses, Isaac, Jr., Martha, Jackson, Henry, Milly and Thomas, be free at my death. Second. It is my will and desire that all my land the farm whereon I now live be equally divided at my death between the following named negroes freed as above, viz: Charity, Isaac, Hannah, Moses, Isaac, Junr., Martha, Jackson, Henry, Milley and Thomas, the dividison to be made agreeable to Quality and Quantity. Third. It is my will and desire that all my personal property after paying all my just debts and funeral expenses be divided at my death equally between the following named negroes freed as above, viz: Charity, Isaac, Hannah, Moses, Isaac Junr., Martha, Jackson, Henry, Milley. Fourth. It is my will and desire that the share that may fall to Charity at my death shall at her death descend to her son Isaac and her four grandsons namely Moses, Isaac, Jackson and Henry in equal proportions."

I did not check the actual records, but the Bath Co. Deed Books O, p. 434; P, p. 9; Q, pp. 153 & 373; and R, pp. 157, 166, and 221 show entries indicating that the former slaves of Rhoda sold the property. Moses Bondurant sold land to Matilda Ringo, Chastity Bondurant sold land to Moses Bondurant, Martha Bondurant sold land to John Young, Jackson Bondurant sold land to

Jetson Erwin or Evans, Isaac Bondurant and wife sold land to Milton P. Stephens, Henry Bondurant sold land to Thornton Marshall, and Isaac Bondurant Jr. sold land to R. H. Conner.

The 1850 census lists Isaac and Martha as residents of Mason Co., KY which includes the town of Maysville, about 40 miles from Bath Co. There is also an Isaac listed in Carter Co., KY which is about 40 miles east of Bath Co. along what appears to be a main thoroughfare from Lexington KY to Huntington, WV.

Other Black families bearing the Bondurant name can be found in the census records of 1860 and later. However, I have made no attempt to record these since I had no reason to believe that any of these families shared blood lines with the white Bondurant families. There are, however, some who are marked "mulatto" in the census record, indicating the possibility that some of these may share Bondurant blood lines. I would like to note that part of the reason that I have not paid more attention to this possibility is that there is no evidence that my branch of the Bondurant family ever held any slaves. Furthermore, IN was a free state, and those who came here were not slave holders.

Several of the Bondurants who came to Indiana were Quakers, some of whom publicly denounced slavery. Joseph Bondurant of Putnam Co. was reportedly an overseer before moving to IN, but I believe that he had a brother Ephraim who remained in VA and served as an overseer for Fleming Saunders. Other than that, I have had no reason to consider the possibility that any members of my direct line might have had any partially Black descendants.

We do know that some members of the Bondurant family were slave holders, however. Of those in KY I have a census record showing that in 1860 in Jefferson Co., KY there is a Joseph D. Bondurant who reports having \$10,000 in real estate and \$4,000 in personal property. He and his wife are residing in the household of a Mira Gray who reported holding \$150,000 in real estate and \$5,000 in personal property. It is my guess that Mira Gray was Joseph's remarried mother, but I'm not sure. I think that this Joseph was the son of Jeffrey W., who was the son of Joseph, Jr. and the grandson of Dr. Joseph.

There is also a Joseph with wife Elizabeth in Montgomery Co., KY in 1860 who reported having \$40,800 in real estate and \$8,600 in personal property. I think he may have been the son of Edward and grandson of Dr. Joseph, but I haven't proved that. That same year there is a Jacob N. Bondurant living in Ballard Co., KY who shows that he owns \$16,000 in real estate and \$900 in personal property. I think that he was a descendant of Darby, but I'm not sure of the lineage. I think that this Jacob was living in 1850 in Christian Co. with his widowed mother Chloe and other family members. With them is A. Brooks aged 22, a female b. VA who is Black and B. Brooks aged 1, a female b. KY who is Also Black. The only other data I have pertaining to slave holding in KY is that when the property of Thomas Bondurant of Boone Co., KY was appraised, the first on the list was a Negro named Agness.

My notes about VA slave holdings are sketchy. Since my direct line migrated to NC early, I was not as conscientious about recording some of the census details as I should have been. From what I have in my notes, it appears that the John Peter Bondurant who resided in Powhatan Co., VA and then migrated to Green and Adair Co., KY (the person I believe to have been the son of Jean Pierre's son Peter) had 7 slaves. I do not recall reading anything about them in his will, though. I do have a notation that at one point Dr. Joseph Bondurant had 21 slaves. A quick scan of my census data shows that some of Dr. Joseph Bondurant's children also held slaves. This is also true of some of Rev. Thomas Bondurant's children and some of Darby Bondurant's descendants. In several instances, however, the slaves bear surnames other than Bondurant (e.g., Campbell and Farmer). While it is possible that some of these persons might

have chosen other names for themselves even though they were partly Bondurants, I doubt that they would have changed the name later to that of Bondurant. Thus, it seems unlikely to me that any Black family that now has the Bondurant name would be among those who took other names while still in bondage. Rather, it is likely that they assumed the Bondurant name at the time of emancipation.

It would seem to me that the best starting point for tracing these lines would be the 1870 census. While it may be impossible to pinpoint precisely which Bondurant family held these individuals as slaves, it is my guess that we can narrow the field to just a few choices because the evidence suggests that only a few Bondurants held any significant number of slaves. If those who are interested in tracing these lines could identify the general geographic area where their ancestors were in bondage, we could probably point them toward the most likely Bondurant families.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH # 3

JOSEPH BONDURANT

Son of Darby Bondurant and Ruth Agee (1st wife)

Researched and compiled by Sharon Kingen (1944-2013)

Joseph Bondurant was the son of Darby Bondurant and Ruth Agee (Bible record posted at <http://lvimage.lib.va.us/Bible/33256/index.html> Bible Record Image and <http://lvimage.lib.va.us/Bible/25386/index.html> Bible Record Image, which shows his father as Darbey). He was born 22 Apr 1774 (Bible record see sources listed above). He married Rodey Terry 26 Oct 1797 (Bible record see sources listed above; however, BFA Newsletter #41, p. 7 shows 23 Oct). The marriage is recorded in Pittsylvania Co., VA and was performed by John Jenkins, but he failed to provide the date to the Clerk of Courts in Danville, VA (see BFA Newsletter #31, pp. 2-3). It is unclear as to why Joseph would have been in this vicinity. However, he does seem to appear there in the 1797 and 1799 tax lists. Terry researchers who have posted information on Ancestry.com World Tree (e.g., [Hardesty 3]) show that Rhoda Terry's father was Stephen Terry (also, Martindale Manuscript Collection, IN State Library) and her mother was Sarah Catherine Fuqua whose mother was a Ford. Thus, it is likely, but unproven, that Rhoda Terry and Joseph Bondurant were distant cousins. Census records indicate that Rhoda was born between 1775 and 1780. Thus far they are unlocated in the 1810 census.

At some point Joseph and Rhoda moved to Kentucky. There is no assurance that this is the right one, but a Joseph Bondurant did serve in the War of 1812 from KY as a private 8 Mar 1813 to 8 Sep 1813 in Capt. Isaac Gray's Co of Infantry, KY militia detached, commanded by Lt. Col. Wm. E. Boswell although the roll shows him as "absent" ("Kentucky Soldiers of the War of 1812" Ancestry.com database although both dates appear to be 1818 in the image). However, there were other Joseph Bondurants in KY at this same time, so there is no proof of the service of this particular Joseph.

He was listed in the 1820 census in Bath Co., KY in or near Owingsville as Joseph Bandurant. Bath County lies about 40 miles due east of Lexington, KY and adjoins Montgomery Co., KY. The entry shows that Joseph was aged over 45. His wife was aged 26 to 45. There were no children in the household. There were, however, 5 slaves, 1 male and 4 females. Joseph Bondurant also appeared in Bath Co., KY in 1830. In this listing, he was aged 50 to 60 (he would have been 56). His wife was also aged 50 to 60. They had with them 9 slaves, 4 males and 5 females. Court records of Bath Co., KY (p. 481) include the following declaration:

"I Joseph Bondurant of the county of Bath and state of Kentucky, do hereby emancipate

and set free my woman slave Lucinda aged 27 years, my girl slave Elizabeth aged 5 years, my girl slave Lucy aged 2 years, from all manner of bondage whatever, given under my hand and seal this 15th day of October 1839.

Joseph Bondurant (seal)”

This document was duly recorded 15 Oct 1839 by the county clerk.

Joseph and Rhoda were still in Bath Co., KY in 1840. In this entry Jos Bondurant, who was living west of Slate Creek, was aged 60 to 70, as was his wife. The household included 15 persons. In addition to Joseph and Rhoda, there were 5 male and 4 female slaves. Also, there were 4 free colored females. Of the total, four people were engaged in agriculture.

Joseph wrote a will on 6 Jul 1843 (Bath Co., KY Bk. D, pp. 250-151). The following is a transcription of that will:

“In the name of God the father, his son Jesus Christ, and holy Spirit, to whom be praise, honor and glory forever Amen.

I Joseph Bondurant of the County of Bath, being weak in body but sound in mind, taking into consideration the uncertainty of life, the certainty of death under a wise dispensation of Providence, do make this my last will and testament, revoking all others that have been made by me.

(Item 1.) It is my last will that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid by my executor hereafter named.

Item 2. For the love and affection I bear to my dearly beloved wife Rhoda Bondurant, I give and bequeath all my property both real and personal to her own proper use and benefit in fee simple and to her heirs and assigns forever (viz.) the farm on which I now live with all the appertences thereunt[o] belonging or in any wise appertaining, to her the said Rhoda Bondurant her heirs and assigns forever in fee simple.

For the love and affection I bear to my dearly beloved wife as aforesaid, I give and bequeath the following named slave Charity the old woman of whose increase are all my slaves, was inherited from her father by my wife Rhoda Bondurant. The following are the names of the slaves: Charity, Isaac P., Hannah, Moses, Isaac, Jr., Henry, Milly, Jackson, Thomas, in consideration of the affection and love I bear to my said Wife Rhoda Bondurant and in consideration of her Inheriting the mother of them all by her father and the extreme he used in raising them all, I give them all with and their future increase to her and her heirs and assigns forever as her own proper and absolute right.

It is my will and desire that my dearly beloved wife Rhoda Bondurant act, and I do hereby appoint her my sole executor without giving Security, and she may Sell as much of my personal estate and will pay my just debts and funeral expenses without having the property appraised by the Court.

In Testimony I have set my hand and seal this 6th day of July 1843.

Joseph Bondurant (seal)

Witnesses present Rane Chastain, Clemt. Connor”

The will was recorded 14 Aug 1843 with Clement Conner and Rane Chastain giving witness to its validity. We can assume, then, that Joseph Bondurant died sometime between July and mid-August of 1843, and we can assume that he died in Bath Co., KY. His place of burial, however, is unknown.

Rhoda survived him and wrote the following will on 30 Oct 1843:

“In the name of God Amen. I, Rhoda Bondurant Being weak in Body but sound in mind

calling to mind the instability of all earthly things the mortality of life and the certainty of death, do make this my last will and testament disposing all of my property both real and personal in the following manner.

First, It is my will and desire that all my Negro slaves named as follows Charity, Isaac, Hannah, Moses, Isaac, Jr., Martha, Jackson, Henry, Milly, and Thomas, be free at my death.

Second. It is my will and desire that all my land the farm whereon I now live be equally divided at my death between the following named negroes freed as above, viz: Charity, Isaac, Hannah, Moses, Isaac, Junr., Martha, Jackson, Henry, Milley and Thomas, the division to be made agreeable to Quality and Quantity.

Third, It is my will and desire that all my personal property after paying all my just debts and funeral expenses be divided at my death equally between the following named Negroes freed as above Viz: Charity, Isaac, Hannah, Moses, Isaac, Jackson and Henry in equal proportions.

The above written is my last will and Testament wish and desire As witness my hand and seal this 30 day of October in the year of our Lord 1843.

Rhoda (X her mark) Bondurant

Witnesses present: R. H. Conner, J. A. Conner”

The will was produced in Bath Co., KY December Court in 1845 and proved by oath of the two witnesses. It was recorded 8 Dec 1845. Thus, it seems likely that Rhoda Bondurant died sometime in the fall of 1845. It is worth noting that she did not name an executor for this will. One cannot help but wonder whether Charity and her children and grandchildren ever realized their legacy of freedom. Bath Co., KY deed records indicate that they did because Charity, Moses, Martha, Jackson, Isaac, Henry, and Isaac Jr. are all named in the index as selling property.

It is virtually certain that Joseph and Rhoda were buried in Bath Co., KY, probably in or near Owingsville, but no documents verify their burial sites. Furthermore, as the census records and their wills indicate, they had no children.

JOSEPH BONDURANT

by Clint Bondurant (wyo1953@earthlink.net)

Fayette Co., KY, Wills. Will Book 1, pages 212-214. Will of Joseph Bondurant, signed 8 Aug. 1867, probated May 1868 Court. [*This is NOT Joseph, son of Jean Pierre.*]

“In the name of God, amen. I Joseph Bondurant, calling to mind the uncertainty of live and the certainty of death, especially when a person has lived over 74 years [born about 1794] and believing that whilst a man is in the enjoyment of health both of body and mind is the proper time for him to dispose of such worldly effects at it has pleased God to bless him with.

I therefore feeling sound mind but slitley feeble in body from age, do on this 8th day of August 1867 make, ordain, and publish this to be my last Will and Testament as follows, hereby revoking all other or former wells heretofore made by me.

1. It is my will that my body be decently buried in such manner as my beloved wife, my direction the lot which I have bought in Cemetery grounds near Lexington City, Kentucky.
2. If there be any just debts against me unpaid, I wish them paid as soon after my decease as possible, consistent with propriety.
3. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth C. Bondurant, during her natural life, the tract of land whereon I now reside, being the same I purchased of Dr. Frazer and wife, also the 58 ½ acres of land I bought of F.K. Hunt as executors of Warfield, also the

lot and blacksmith shop in the City of Lexington, which I bought of said Hunt as executor as aforesaid, also the house and lot I have purchased of John G. Kiser and wife in the City of Lexington, all during her natural life. I also give to my said wife absolutely to do as she pleases with all my household effects, such as furniture, bedding, bed clothes, carpets, all my farming implements, my rockaway, horse and harness, cattle and hogs, the property and estate given my said wife as above, is in full and in lieu of dower in my estate.

4. I devise the farm which I bought of James Dudley containing 491 1/4 acres to be sold as also the shops recently bought of W.H. Newbery in Lexington, publicly and the proceeds of said sales to be paid as hereafter set forth.

To wit: \$2,000 to be laid out in land in Fayette Co., KY, for my niece Mrs. Mary Virginia Bailey during her natural life, and any other money she may receive from my estate is to be laid out in the same way, and at her death land to descend to her child or children, if there be any, and if none, then to be sold and the proceeds to be divided amongst my other legatees hereafter named, and in the same per ration as set forth by me in my present devises.

\$10,000 of said proceeds to be paid to my nephew Graves Pennington of TN, near Winchester.

\$5,000 to be paid to my niece Mrs. Sarah A. Williams of Clarksville, TN. I have advanced her heretofore \$5,000 so that her *pro rata* is to be counted as \$10,000 in the division of the other funds.

\$10,000 of said proceeds to be paid to and divided between the three sons of my brother Robert M. Bondurant, deceased, and the children of his deceased daughter Mary Muriel [Murrell], to wit, Peter Bondurant \$2,500, to John Bondurant \$2,500, to William Bondurant \$2,500, and to the children of Mrs. Mary Muriel deceased \$2,500.

I give, and to be paid out of the land and shops directed to be sold, to my brother Edward Bondurant \$2,000

I give to my three nephews Jacob Bondurant, Joseph Bondurant and Edward Bondurant of TN, each \$20. Jacob's to be paid as his note I hold on him; the other two cash.

I give to their sister, my niece, Mrs. Elizabeth Sanders, \$100, also to my sister Mrs. Amanda Cole \$20.

I give to my nephews Robert Pitman and J.S. Pitman, to Robert Pitman \$500, and to J.S. Pitman \$100, and to my niece Mrs. Woodson \$500. The devises which I have here given to my sister Mrs. Amanda Cole, and to my nephews Jacob, Joseph and Edward Bondurant, and J.S. Pitman are in full of their portion of my estate entire, and they are not to come into the *pro rata* division.

I devise at the death of my wife that the lands, houses, and lots which I have given her during her natural live shall be sold, and the proceeds of said sales to be divided *pro rata*, in the same proportions amongst those to whom I have made devises excluding Mrs. Amanda Cole, and my nephew Jacob, Joseph and Edward bondurant and also J.S. Pitman, and any other or residium of my estate to be divided in the same way and amongst the same devisees (except those excluded) provided the distribution shall be enough after making my brother Edward Bondurant \$4,000 and the others in the same proportion.

Then I give to the Kentucky University at Lexington, KY, \$500 for which the University must furnish tuition to that value to the children of Joseph deceased should his wife Mrs. Mary M. Glover choose them to use it, and if there still remains a residium of the estate, then I give to Bethany College \$500 for which tuition must be furnished by the college to said children of

Joseph B. Glover, deceased, if their mother or they will use it. Should there still be a surplus I give the Agricultural Department of the Kentucky University \$500 for which said Joseph B. Glover's children must be furnished tuition in the same way.

The residue of all my estate both real and personal I wish divided amongst my devisees as I have stated above *pro rata*, and lastly I constitute and appoint Edward Bondurant my executor of this my last Will and Testament, and I request that the Court before whom this instrument may be proved will require no security of my said executor Edward Bondurant, and as it is uncertain whether Joseph B. Pitman is living or dead, should he be living then I bequeath to him \$5 in full for his entire portion of my estate to be credited on the note I hold on him.

In witness hereof I have set my hand and seal the date above written. J.B. Beck, F.K. Hunt and A.M. Barnes can prove this to be all in my own handwriting.

Joseph Bondurant

Attest: A.M. Barnes.

Erases and interlines by me this 8 day of April 1868. Joseph Bondurant

I wish Mr. J.B. Beck to act as counsel for my brother Edward Bondurant and wind up all my suits. Joseph Bondurant.

May Court 1868 (Fayette Co., KY, Will Book 1, pages 212-214)

This is Joseph Bondurant, son of Edward Bondurant and Magdelaine Veril Moseley, grandson of Joseph Bondurant and Agnes Radford, and ggrandson of Jean Pierre. Joseph was born 17 July 1793 VA, died 30 April 1868, Lexington, Fayette Co., KY. He married Elizabeth L. "Betsy" Moseley (30 April 1797 - 16 June 1870). Both were buried in Lexington Cemetery.

This Joseph Bondurant's Census records:

1820 Census Montgomery Co., KY

1 white male aged 26-44

1 white female aged 16-25

6 slaves

1830 Census Montgomery Co., KY

1 white male aged 5-9

1 white male 30-39

1 white female 30-39

17 slaves

1840 Census Montgomery Co., KY

1 white male 5-9

1 white male 15-19

1 white male 40-49

1 white male 60-69

1 white female 40-49

1 white female 50-59

1850 Census Montgomery Co., KY

Bonjurant [sic], Joseph, 57 VA, Farmer
 Elizabeth L. 54, KY
 Glover, Joseph B, 28 KY
 Glover, Mary 26 KY
 4 Glover children [names omitted]
 Glover, Ann, 24

1860 Census Montgomery Co., KY
 Bondurant, Joseph, 66 VA
 Elizabeth 63, KY
 Pittman, Mary 18 KY

Mary Bondurant born about 1824, married Joseph B. Glover, born 1822 KY, son of Peter Guerrant Glover. Joseph and Mary were living in Mount Sterling, Montgomery Co., KY in 1860.

Their children were:

[a missing child, born before 1850 census]

Martha Glover born about 1846
 Peter G. Glover born about 1848
 Joseph Glover born about 1849
 Ella D. Glover born about 1852
 Robert W. Glover born about 1854
 Virgil Glover born about 1858
 Edwin B. Glover born about 1859.

Whether Mary Bondurant was a daughter or niece of the testator Joseph Bondurant is yet to be proved. Has anyone the necessary records?

THOMAS FORTUNE RYAN, from #91
 by Ruby Talley Smith (rubygem3@verizon.net)

Thomas Fortune Ryan (I), had sons:
 Allen A. Ryan
 William Kane Ryan
 John Ryan
 Clendennin J. Ryan

William Kane Ryan was born 1873, died 7 Oct. 1906. His wife was Lillie or Lily Bondurant, daughter of Joseph Davis Bondurant and Myrah Gray. Their children were:

Thomas Fortune Ryan (II), born 22 Oct. 1904, died 22 July 1994
 Joseph Bondurant "Joe" Ryan born 9 July 1905, died 12 Sept. 1950.

Thomas Fortune Ryan (II) married Alberta Eaton, born 30 Sept. 1904 in El Paso, TX. One child
 Thomas Michael Ryan, born 9 Jan. 1926, died 11 Jan. 1947 CA

Joseph Bondurant "Joe" Ryan was born 9 July 1905 at Oak Ridge plantation, Nelson Co., VA,

and died 12 Sept. 1950 in New York City. His wife was Mary ?, and their only child was:
Peter Barry Ryan born 10 June 1940 Philadelphia, PA, died 2 July 1962 in France. He
was buried in St. Bernard du Montremblant, Quebec, Canada

Two interesting newspaper articles provide some family information:
[*year and newspaper unknown*]

RYAN'S BARBECUE IN OLD VIRGINIA

Senators, Governor and Other Guests received Simply at Oak Ridge Farm.

Lynchburg, Va. Aug. 2.

Mr. and Mrs. William K. Ryan, Thomas F. Ryan's son and daughter-in-law gave a fine barbecue to the good people of Nelson County at Oak Ridge Farm Saturday. Thomas F. Ryan's father was overseer of this farm in the days of Slavery. Saturday the two United States Senators from Virginia, the Governor of the state, the Congressman and Senator from the district were guests of that overseer's grandson.

The guests began to gather from all over the country as early as 10 o'clock in the morning, and until after noon they came from all directions, in every kind of vehicle. The affair was entirely informal and refreshing. The democratic manners of Mr. and Mrs. Ryan surprised and delighted the country people.

Mrs. Ryan and Mrs. Swanson, the Governor's wife, most cordially received all comers in the dancing pavillion. Senator Daniel, Senator Martin, Gov. Swanson and Congressman Flood passed the time in the heart of the throng shaking hands with the sons of the soil and their wives and daughters.

Governor Swanson made a 10 minute speech during the afternoon. For five minutes he paid pretty compliments to the Ryans, for five he thanked the people for supporting him in the last gubernatorial election. Other prominent men present were Judge B.T. Gordon, ex-Senator J. Thompson Brown, Senator Aubrey E. Strode, Col. Joseph Button, I.T. Coleman, Bland Massie, H.T. Harris, Col. Henry M. Lewis, and former Judge W.T. Loving, who is manager of Oak Ridge Farm.

The New York Times, 9 Oct. 1906

WILLIAM K. RYAN DEAD

Second Son of Thomas F. Ryan – Brother's Fast Trip in Vain

William K. Ryan, the second son of Thomas F. Ryan (I), died suddenly on Sunday of a hemorrhage at the home of his father in Oak Ridge, VA.

It was in a vain effort to reach his brother before he died that Allan A. Ryan chartered a special train to carry him from Philadelphia to Washington. . . .

Allen Ryan left Philadelphia at 8:05 o'clock in the morning, and was in Washington at 10:22 o'clock. There at 10:30 o'clock he caught a train for Oak Ridge, but when he arrived there his brother was dead.

W.K. Ryan was 33 years old. For the last five or six years, because of bad health, he had been living in the West, in Arizona and in Mexico, where he took some part in the management of mining properties in which he was interested. While he was living in the East he was connected with various enterprises in which Thomas F. Ryan was interested, being at one time Treasurer of the New York Transportation Company.

Mr. Ryan came to New York from the West last June, and from here went to his father's place at Oak Ridge. He leaves a widow and three sons, the youngest a baby, who was born at

Oak Ridge last July.

Thomas F. Ryan is at present in Europe. He has four other sons – John, who is not in active business; Allan A. and Clendennin J. who are partners in a stock brokerage firm, and Joseph who is attending Georgetown University.

JOHN WILLIAM BONDURANT

Mrs. Debbie Burton Porter, 112724 Peartree Terrace, Poway, CA 92064 (d.porter1@cox.net) descends from John William Bondurant, born 1805 Henry Co., VA, died 1880 in Hawkins Co., TN. Was John William the son of Jacob P. Bondurant (1775-1819), she asked? She has found much information in Mary Jo Greer-Shanks' book *The Family of Joel Stacy Greer of Hawkins Co., TN*.

John William's daughter was Malinda Jane Bondurant born Dec. 1837, who married Nathaniel Jefferson "Jeff" Chaney, and died 18 Dec. 1919 in Hawkins Co., TN. They were parents of:

John Henry Chaney (1866 NC - 1940 Hawkins Co., TN), married Cordie S. Caldwell and Nola Jones.

Lafayette Franklin "Frank" Chaney (1869 TN - 1932 AL)

Effie Chaney born 1870 TN

Rachael Chaney born ca. 1873 TN, married Tom Felty

Mary Ann Chaney born about 1875 TN, married Bill Farmer

Rebecca L. "Becky" Chaney (1877-1963) married Phillip L. Newberry

Sarah J. "Sally" Chaney born about 1879 TN married Zack Wilson

Lucy Jane Chaney, born 24 Feb. 1870 in Honeycutt, TN, died 23 Aug. 1929 in Hawkins, TN.

Her husband was Joel Stacy Greer, born 2 Dec. 1866 Ashe Co., NC, died 19 June 1938 Hawkins Co., TN.

The 18 Children of Joel Stacy Greer and Lucy Jane Chaney were:

Andrew Harrison "Drew" Greer (1889-1968) married Lou Anna Cavin

Sarah Jane "Sallie" Greer (1892-1967) married Thomas Byrd Cavin, Sr., and Homer E. Bailey

Noah Jackson Greer, Sr. (1894-1989) married Berta Elva Corressie "Ressie" Dykes

Glen William Greer (1896-1960) married Minnie Blanch Burchfield

Mary Ida Vea Greer (1899 - 1922) married Troy Lee Thacker, Sr.

Grace Ethel "Little Gracie" born 1901, died 1902

Emily Alberta "Allie" Greer, born 7 July 1903 Hawkins Co., TN, died 21 Oct. 1952 Rogersville, TN. She married Grover Cleveland Bates 24 Sept. 1922 in Hawkins Co., TN. He was born 23 Aug. 901, NC, died 9 Sept. 1959 at Kingsport, TN.

Elza Lee "Lizzie" Greer (1906-1992)

Willis M. Greer (1906-1999)

Joel Curry Greer, Sr., married Beulah Caldwell, and Mae Wilder

Blanche Sylvia Greer (1911-1985) married Bascom Sears "Bass" Bailey

Ethel Mae Greer died infancy 1912

Virginia Odell "Bobbie" Greer married Charles Richard Keirse, Jr., and Mr. Self

Glenna Greer

Earl Greer

Virgie Greer

Oliver Greer

Tom Greer.

Emily A. Greer and G.C. Bates' children were:

Margaret Lucy Bates, born 29 June 1923 Surgionsville, TN, died 2 July 1973, Costa Mesa, CA, the grandmother of Mrs. Porter. Margaret married James Gale Burton (1917-1972)

Edna Lucille Bates died infancy 1925

Joseph Fred Bates (1930-1954) married Edna Saul

James Grover Bates died infancy 1932

Children of James Gale Burton and Margaret Lucy Bates:

Jimmie Lynn Burton (1942-2011) married Linda Elizabeth Aranda

Anice Christine "Ann" Burton married Ronnie Wayne Hunt, Sr., and William Franklin Jarman

Ruby Edna Burton (1946-2010) married George Robert McPeck and James Donald Woods

Gary Lance Burton married Judy Lee Campbell, and Deirdre Jo O'Shea.

Jimmie Lynn Burton (1941-2010) and Linda Elizabeth Aranda are:

Michelle Lee Burton married Anthony Michael Manzo

Robert James Burton married Virigiana Santana Bailon

Debbie Lynn Burton married Mark Bruce Porter, son of Vincent Clark Porter and Ardelyn Evangeline Smith.

Editor's Note: Jacob P. Bondurant, born about 1776 in Buckingham Co., VA, died about 1819 at Snow Creek, Franklin Co., VA. His wife was Jane Prunty, born 20 March 1773 Henry Co., VA, died 15 Jan. 1858 in Franklin Co., VA.

They were parents of 7 children including a son John Bondurant, born about 1803 in Franklin Co., died 1853-1855 in MO. John married Nancy Finney 11 April 1828 in Franklin Co., VA, and both died in MO. They had a son John P. Bondurant born about 1836 VA, about whom I have no further information.

John William Bondurant, married Esther Flannigan born about 1810, died after 1880 Church Hill, TN, had 9 children including your Malinda Jane. John William was the son of Joel Bondurant born 1766, died 1846 who married Sarah "Sally" Wheat 11 July 1800 in Franklin Co., VA. Sally was born in 1776 VA, died after 1815.

This Joel Bondurant is said to be Joel, Jr., the son of Joel Bondurant (1742-1784) and ? O'Brien. So far none of us have been able to prove this connection with records. Joel, Sr., is said to be the son of John Bondurant, son of Jean Pierre.

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