JOHN RIGGS (1743–1837)  
OF PASQUOTANK AND ONSLOW COUNTIES,  
NORTH CAROLINA, AND HIS FAMILY  

Also Giles Riggs of Craven County and His Family  

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Dedicated to

Alvy Ray and Edith Hortense (Sanders) Smith
my parents
My father was a 7th-generation descendant of Bethuel Riggs
also temporarily of North Carolina
but of no relationship to John
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<td>Southwest quadrant of northeast quadrant (GLO, 40 acres)</td>
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LINEAGE LIST NOTATION

To facilitate stepping “backward” through the genealogy, I utilize one small addition to standard (actually “modified”) Register format. A leading subscript to a person in a lineage list is the person number for that individual in this work. For example, Theodore Foster² Riggs (¹¹Thomas Lawrence³, Stephen Return⁴, Stephen⁵, Joseph⁶, Gideon⁷) was son of person 23, Thomas Lawrence³ Riggs (¹ Stephen Return⁴, Stephen⁵, Joseph⁶, Gideon⁷), who in turn was son of person 11, Stephen Return⁴ Riggs, and so forth. This technique may be applied to any person in a lineage list. However, to reduce visual clutter, I will use it here for at most one person per lineage list, usually the first.

N.B. The National Genealogical Society has now carefully codified modified Register format, mentioned above, so it is often called NGSQ format. Whatever the nomenclature, the above paragraphs describe departures from it.
Unsourced material. Some claims without accompanying sources are important to preserve, as hints to future researchers or simply to indicate that I am aware of commonly claimed dates, names, or places, but am not certain of them. I enter these in footnotes and not in the main text. I do not always explicitly flag these claims as unsourced, but they should be understood as such by their presence in the footnotes only. This type of information often comes from compiled, but unfortunately unsourced, genealogies that have the appearance, to me at least, of being well researched and based on solid evidence. The footnote hint might inspire a future researcher to find the elusive evidence, whereas I had not done so by the time this book went to press.

Census litany. Rather than trying to be creative on each of hundreds of census readings, I have chosen to state them with a common “litany.” To make census litanies easy to spot, I usually introduce each one with the year. For example, a reading from the U.S. census for 1900 will begin “In 1900 . . . .”

Online sources. I have made much use of online sources, usually secondary, such as the listing of gravestones in a particular cemetery. The problem with this practice is the supposed ephemeral nature of the web. Many online sources may simply disappear from the web over time, or change addresses at least. I have therefore made a copy of every webpage used in this work and archived it for future reference. Very notable exceptions are the many databases available from major servers, such as <Ancestry.com>, which I assume, with some trepidation, will be permanently available by some means. The URL for a website is identified by enclosing <> brackets. When a URL needs to wrap at the end of a line for good visual appearance, I have inserted a hyphen in an appropriate location. This line-breaking hyphen should be omitted, of course, when the URL is used as an internet address.

Abbreviations. To fit this book into one bound volume, I have resorted to abbreviations. With one exception, I always abbreviate state
names and month names. I do not abbreviate state names in the main text that stand alone. However, state names in footnotes are always abbreviated, even in the titles of books.

I do not abbreviate anything in a quotation. An abbreviation in a quotation is present in the original.

I use succinct forms for the sources in footnotes. The bibliography should be consulted for full expansion of a source reference. See the abbreviations section of the front matter for the full list of abbreviations used in the census references. In all cases, the census was read from <Ancestry.com>, and the roll numbers correspond to the microfilm series used by that organization.

Verb tenses. Past tense is normally used, but a record is described in the present—e.g., Joe Riggs was born in 1836, but a death certificate for Joe Riggs states that he was born in 1836.
ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

DNA SIGNATURE

We now have two genetic signatures of Riggs males in this family:

Edward Lee⁶ Riggs (₁₃₅Ray Alton⁵, William Mack⁴, George³):

mwnjkplⅭmmCrijkkyosDoqqjkswooqsKLⅭ

Julian/Jason Maurice⁷ Riggs (₁₀₉Julian Maurice⁶, William Clyde⁵, John E.⁴, George³):

mwnjkplⅭmmC

So this family is a different family from, say, the so-called “Edwardian” Riggs family of New England (descendants of Edward¹ Riggs, immigrant in 1633 to Massachusetts), which has these first 67 markers, with the nine differences (in the first 37) in blue and five more in the final 30 (which will matter in a moment):

lxnknplⅭmmCsjkkkyosCooqqklswooqKLⅭkiophjhjhlwlwopjllohlwtmklkkⅭ

A match of 35 or more of 37 markers is considered a “match.” So it is unlikely that John Riggs of North Carolina and Edward Riggs of Massachusetts were related in historical time. They both are of the R1b haplogroup, or clan, of western European males, however, so related in the sense of being derived of a common male thousands, say, of years ago.

Note added 25 Nov. 2016: We now have several more candidate members of this Riggs family. Here are their signatures but we are still lacking their descents:

Gary Howard Riggs (who has withdrawn from my DNA group):

mwnjkplⅭmmCrijkkyosDoqqjkswooqsKLⅭkiophjhhjlwwpjillhlvlmtklkkml

Delmar Atlee Bateman (red indicates differences from other members of this group):

mwnjkplⅭmmCrijkkyosCooqqjkswooqsKLⅭkiophjhhjlwwpjillqlhlvlmtklkkml
Graham Farris Riggs (Solomon Graham, Solomon Graham, James Beasley, Jesse, Jesse, Shadrach, Giles). Graham F. and Christopher G. Riggs report that they descend from Giles Riggs (c1723–c1771) of Craven Co., N.C. William H. Riggs reports that he descends from Giles Riggs (died 1787) of Craven Co., N.C. And Christopher S. Wiley reports that he descends from William Riggs (born 1710) of Orange Co., N.C. This, plus the DNA evidence, gives us plenty of evidence on which we should be able to discover the structure of this family.

N.B. In early North Carolina, Onslow and Craven Counties abutted one another.
JOHN RIGGS
of Pasquotank and Onslow Cos., N.C.

FIRST GENERATION

Important Note: A descendant of this family, Richard⁷ Phillips, has discovered a Pasquotank Co., N.C., tax list for 1774 that lists “Isaac Riggs and his Sons Noah & John.” See Figure 5. Thus it is likely that Isaac⁰ Riggs was the father of our John¹ Riggs below. Notice that the two sons must have been of taxable age in 1774, so both born before about 1753. This fits what we know about John¹ Riggs.

1. JOHN¹ RIGGS was born about 1743 (calculated from death announcement) or 1744 (from pension application, age 88 on 7 Aug. 1832) or 1745 (pension roll of 1835, age 90),⁵ Pasquotank Co., N.C., and died 8 Nov. 1837, age 94, Onslow Co., N.C. (death announcement transcribed below) or 2 Nov. 1837 (pension application, pensioners index).⁶ He married [bond] 22 June 1779, Onslow Co., N.C., ELIZABETH MORRIS, who was born 1760–1770 (1830 census) or 1750–1760 (1840 census), daughter of Thomas and Mary (—) Morris.⁷ Elizabeth was alive in 1838 at the time of her petition for dower, transcribed below.

8. A transcription of the will of Thomas “Morres,” signed 3 Apr. 1793, Onslow Co., N.C., mentions “my son John Morres,” “my son James Morres, after his mother, Mary Morreses death,” “my loving wife Mary Morres,” “my children John, William & James Morres, and Salley Twiedy and Elizabeth Riggs,” “my daughter Mary Morres,” “my daughter Sarah Morres,” “David Reece my son
In 1790 John “Rigs,” over 16, resided in Onslow Co., N.C., with four males under 16, and three females.\[9\]

For his Revolutionary War service John Riggs received a land warrant for 274 acres of land in North Carolina, issued 19 Dec. 1808.\[10\] [N.C. and Tenn. Revolutionary War Land Warrants, 1783–1843, image online, no. 177].

According to his pension application file, John Riggs of Onslow Co., N.C., served in the Revolutionary War in the company commanded by Capt. Bracey in the Virginia Line for three years from 1776.\[11\]

His declaration states:

On this 7th day of August AD. 1832 personally appeared before the Worshipful Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of Onslow, John Riggs a resident of Onslow County North Carolina, aged eighty eight years, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832 That he is a native of Pasquotank County in No. Carolina, that he enlisted in the Army of the United States, about the commencement of the Revolutionary War, with Lieut. John Hatson and Capt. Thomas S. Bracey, & served in the Second regiment of the line under the said Hatson & Bracy [sic]; John Brock was Sergeant, and Zadoc Daily was ensign in Said Company, as well as this deponent recollects. This deponent is very aged, and his memory has decayed Commensurately with his body, but to the best of his recollection Thomas Dudley was fifer & Levi West drummer to the said regiment. This deponent does not recollect the year when he was enlisted but he served three years after his said enlistment, and discharged at Portsmouth in Virginia. This deponent resided in Pasquotank County when he enlisted, but

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10. N.C. and Tenn. Revolutionary War Land Warrants, 1783–1843, image online, no. 177.
JOHN RIGGS

he left his said residence and went to Portsmouth in Virginia, for the purpose of enlisting, at which latter place he did enlist. This deponent was engaged with the British troops in a skirmish, not far from Cape Charles (about Eighteen miles distant from said Cape) in retaking from their possession Browns’ Brig. The British lay off in their vessels; and the said Brig attempted to pass the said British vessels, which lay near the inlet & get into Portsmouth, but not succeeding was taken by the British who came off in their barges upon ascertaining which, Capt. Bracey, ordered his regiment down to where the Brig lay, when a very severe Contest ensued, the brig was retaken and the British who were in possession of the brig were made prisoners and sent to Petersburg in Va. This deponent hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension, or any annuity, except the present, and he declares that his name, is not on the pension roll, of any agency in any state or territory. Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

[signed] John [his + mark] Riggs
Sworn to and subscribed before the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions of Onslow County

In 1810 a John Riggs, over 45 (born before 1865), resided in Onslow Co., N.C., with three boys and two girls under 10, one male and one female 10–16, and two females 16–26 (born 1784–1794).[12] This does not appear to be our John 1, since there is no woman of the right age to be his wife thought to have been born somewhere between 1750 and 1770. With so many children born 1800–1810, this appears to be the family of a couple who married about 1800, not 1789.

In 1820 John Riggs, over 45, resided in Wolf Pitt, Onslow Co., N.C., with a woman over 45, four boys 10–16, and one female 16–26. David Riggs is listed next, 26–45 (born 1775–1794), with a woman 16–26 (born 1794–1804), and one boy under 10.[13] The woman over 45 makes this a more likely candidate for John 1. David appears to be David 2, born 1780–1790, with his wife, Desire, born 1790–1800.

In 1830 John Riggs Sr., 70–80 (born 1750–1760), resided in Onslow Co, N.C., with a woman 60–70 (born 1760–1770) [sic] one male 20–

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Bryant Riggs, 20–30, and Isaac Riggs, 50–60, are listed together with John Sr. on the same page, and also Edmund Littleton, 20–30. Then John Meadows, 40–50, with a woman 20–30 is listed, then Mary Meadows, 40–50, suggesting that Ruthy Meadows was either John’s wife, or identically Mary Meadows [but the ages don’t quite work]. Then John Riggs Jr., 20–30, and Noah Riggs, 20–30, are listed together on the next page. On the page after that is David Riggs, 40–50.

In 1840 Elizabeth “Rigs,” 80–90 [sic] (born 1750–1760), resided in Onslow Co, N.C., with a woman 60–70 (born 1760–1770) one male 20–30. On the same page are listed Bryant R. “Rigs” (110001 001101) and Noah F. “Rigs” (2100001 00001).

John Riggs, 90, was on the pension roll of 1835 for Onslow Co., N.C., for his service in the Revolutionary War in the North Carolina Continental Line.

A death announcement for John Riggs:

Died . . . In Onslow County, on the 8th inst., at the age of 94, Mr. John Riggs, a soldier of the Revolution. Mr. Riggs was a cart-wheel-wright; enjoyed excellent eyesight throughout his old age, and what is more to the purpose in our thinly peopled country, his offspring amounted at the time of his death, to one hundred and three.

The next important document establishes the John Riggs family:

State of North Carolina
Onslow County

Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
November Term 1838

14. U.S. census, 1830, Onslow Co., N.C., r. 123, p. 214. John Riggs Jr. is 00001 00011; Noah Riggs is 10001 10001; Bryant Riggs is 00001 10001; John Riggs Sr. is 000100001 000000001; Isaac Riggs is 10100001 01001; David Riggs is 1001001 210001.
15. U.S. census, 1840, Onslow Co., N.C., r. 367, p. 139.
JOHN RIGGS

To the worshipful the Justices of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for Said County The petition of Elizabeth Riggs of Onslow County respectfully sheweth unto your worships that John Riggs senior late of Said County on the day of [sic] A.D. 1837 departed this life intestate leaving [hirs?] surviving your Petitioners his widow and Isaac Riggs Mary Riggs Phibe Littleton who intermarried with Edmund Littleton John Riggs Noah Riggs Bryant R Riggs & Asa Riggs, and Ruthy Meadows his Children and Bryant Riggs Jr. Thomas Riggs Children of Cartwright Riggs, a son of Said John Riggs Senior who died in the lifetime of Said John Riggs both of whom are infants of tender years and Thomas Riggs Phibe Riggs Miriam Riggs Isaac Riggs David Riggs Rachel Riggs Olive Riggs Desire Riggs and William Riggs Children of David Riggs a son of said John Riggs Senior who died in the lifetime of said John Riggs senior all of whom are infants of tender years and Stephen Bell John Bell Loomis Bell Lotty Bell & Ebin Bell Children of Betsy a Daughter of the Said John Riggs senior who intermarried with William Bell & Died in the lifetime of said John Riggs all of which Said Children of the Said Betsy Bell except Stephen Bell & John Bell are minors and infants of tender years which Said Children & Grand Children are the Heirs at law of Said John Riggs Senior. Your Petitioner further sheweth unto your worships that She is advised & believes that She is entitled to Dower in the aforesaid Lands: To the end therefore that the Said Dower may be allotted & set apart to your Petitioner in Said tract She prays your worships that the Said Dower may be allotted & set apart to her & that the Said Isaac Riggs Mary Riggs Edmund Littleton & Phebe his wife John Riggs Noah Riggs Bryant R Riggs Asa Riggs & Ruthy Meadows Bryant Riggs [the remainder is someone else’s transcription] & Thomas Riggs children of Cartwright Riggs & Thomas Riggs, Phebe Riggs, Miriam Riggs, Isaac Riggs, David Riggs, Rachel Riggs, Olive Riggs, Desire Riggs & William Riggs, children of David Riggs & Stephen Bell, John Bell, Loomis Bell, Lotty Bell, & Ebin Bell, children of Betsy Bell & heirs at law of said John Riggs Senior. May be
proper [?] be made to appear in this worshipful court & shew cause if any they have why dower in the aforesaid tract of land should not be allotted to your petitioner & that your worships would grant such other & further relief in the premises as the nature of her case may require & to your wor-
ships shall seem meet and your petioner will [?] pray.

J W Bryan[18]

Known children (derived from the petition above, so the first eight are presumed to be in birth order relative one another):

2 i ISAAC² RIGGS, born 1775–1780 (intersection of 1820 and 1830 censuses), alive in 1838. He was probably the Isaac Riggs who was bonded 21 June 1808, Carteret Co., N.C., to marry [19] CASANDRA BLOCKSON.

In 1790 Isaac Riggs resided in Carteret Co., N.C., with one male over 16, two males under 16, and 1 female. On same page were Benjamin Riggs (113), and Jesse Riggs (122).[20]

In 1800 Isaac Riggs, 26–45 (born 1755–1774), resided in Carteret Co, N.C., with a woman 26–45, three boys and one girl under 10, three boys 10–16.[21]

In 1810 Isaac Riggs “Sen’r,” over 45 (born before 1775), resided in Newport River, Carteret Co, N.C., with two girls under 10, a boy 10–16, and a male and a female 16–26.[22] And Issac Riggs “Jun’,” 26–45 (born 1765–1784), resided there too, with one female 16–26, and one boy under 10.[23]

The following are probably for Isaac Riggs Jr.:

18. This document was transcribed to <Ancestry.com> for John Riggs, downloaded 5 Aug. 2015. An image of the actual handwriting was downloaded and was the source for most of this transcription. After the point marked, I downloaded someone else’s transcription which has some puzzling items in it.


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In 1820 Isaac Riggs, 26–45 (born 1775–1794), resided in Stump Sound, Onslow Co., N.C., with a boy under 10, and a female 16–26.[24]

In 1830 Isaac Riggs, 50–60 (born 1770–1780), resided in Onslow Co., N.C., with a boy under 5, a girl 5–10, a male 10–15, and a female 20–30.[25]

In 1840 Isaac “Rigs,” 50–60 (born 1770–1780), resided in Onslow Co., N.C., with two boys under 5, one girl 5–10, two males 15–20, and a female 30–40.[26] Nearby was Noah “Rigs” (120001 12001000001). Also Thomas “Rigs” (20001 10101001).  

+ 3 ii MARY² RIGGS, alive in 1837.
+ 4 iii PHEBE² RIGGS, born about 1802, married EDMUND LITTLETON, and had six children.

In 1830 John Riggs Jr., 20–30, resided in Onslow Co., N.C., with a woman 20–30, and one female 15–20.[27]

+ 6 v NOAH F.² RIGGS, born about 1800, married RUTH MEADOWS, and had at least eight children. Be careful here: Ruthy Meadows (not Riggs) is listed as an heir in the 1838 dower document of her mother. I believe that she is not to be confused with Ruth Meadows who married Noah F. Riggs in 1831. In other words, we can’t use Ruthy Meadows in the dower list to prove that Noah F. Riggs is the son Noah. We know there is a son Noah. We just don’t know if Noah F. is that Noah. There were two Noahs in the 1850 census that could fit.

+ 7 vi BRYANT R.² RIGGS, born 1800–1810 (20–30 in the 1830 census), alive in 1838. An unsourced genealogy gives his middle name as Russell, and his wife as Beersheba, and born 1800, died 1841.

In 1830 Bryant Riggs, 20–30, resided in Onslow Co., N.C., with a woman 20–30, and one girl under 5.[28]

In 1840 Bryant R. “Rigs,” 30–40 (born 1800–1810), resided in Onslow Co, N.C., with a woman 30–40, one boy under 5, one boy 5–10, one female 10–15, and one female 15–20.\footnote{U.S. census, 1840, Onslow Co., N.C., r. 367, p. 139.}

+ 8 vii ASA NOAH\textsuperscript{2} RIGGS, born about 1809, North Carolina, married FANNIE HARRINGTON, and had at least four children.

9 viii RUTH\textsuperscript{2} RIGGS, born 1790–1800 (1840 census), North Carolina, married — MEADOWS. We know her from the 1838 dower petition by her mother.

   In 1840 Ruth Meadows, 40–50 (born 1790–1800), resided in Onslow Co, N.C., with one girl 5–10.\footnote{U.S. census, 1840, Onslow Co., N.C., r. 367, p. 137.}

   We mention in this context the alleged bastard child by David\textsuperscript{2} Riggs in 1815 on the unmarried Sally Meadows (q.v.), a relative perhaps, and note the following:

   In 1840 Sarah “Medows,” 60–70 [born 1770–1800], resided in Onslow Co., N.C., with one male 20–30 [born 1810–1820], and one male 10–15.\footnote{U.S. census, 1840, Onslow Co., N.C., r. 367, p. 141.}

   In 1850 Mary Meadows, 60, resided in White Oak, Onslow Co, N.C., with Penny, 25, and David, 20, all born in North Carolina. They share the page with many Riggses.\footnote{U.S. census, 1850, White Oak, Onslow Co., N.C., r. 639, p. 108B, dw. 324, fam. 324.}

+ 10 ix CARTWRIGHT/CARTERET\textsuperscript{2} RIGGS, was born 1794–1802, birth order unknown, died before the 1837 petition, and had two children.

+ 11  x DAVID\textsuperscript{2} RIGGS, born 1780–1790, birth order unknown, died before the 1838 petition, married DESIRE —, and had nine children. An unsourced genealogy gives him as firstborn, in 1780.

+ 12 xi BETSY\textsuperscript{2} RIGGS, birth order unknown, died before the 1838 petition, married WILLIAM BELL, and had five children.

+ 13 xii [SON]\textsuperscript{2} RIGGS, married SARRAH —, and had eight children. This item corresponds to one of the children above, if indeed he was a son of John\textsuperscript{1}.

\begin{footnotes}
\item 29. U.S. census, 1840, Onslow Co., N.C., r. 367, p. 139.
\item 31. U.S. census, 1840, Onslow Co., N.C., r. 367, p. 137.
\item 32. U.S. census, 1840, Onslow Co., N.C., r. 367, p. 141.
\end{footnotes}
4. **PHEBE** RIGGS (John1) was born about 1802, and was alive in 1838 at her mother’s 1838 dower petition. She married EDMUND LITTLETON, who was born about 1800, died before the 1860 census.

For what it’s worth, there was a bastardy bonding of Richard Pitts to “Pheoby” Riggs conditioned on his appearance in court to answer her charge, made June 1824, Onslow Co., N.C.  

In 1850 Edmund Littleton, 50, a mechanic, resided in White Oak, Onslow Co., N.C., with Phebe, 48, Amercer, 18, male, Roscar B., 16, Emaile, 15, David C., 13, Christina, 12, and Rosey C., 20, the entire family born in North Carolina.

In 1860 Phebe Littleton, 60, a knitter, resided in White Oak, Onslow Co., N.C., in the household of Joseph Jones, 27, a farm laborer with $150 real and $50 personal estates, Rosa, 29, Joannah, 9, Betsey, 6, Nancy, 3, and Alexander, 6/12, all born in North Carolina.

Known children:

14 i **ROSA C.** Littleton, born about 1830, North Carolina, married (bond) 7 Jan. 1851, probably Onslow Co., N.C., JOSEPH JONES, born about 1833, North Carolina, and had at least four children:

   1. Joanna4 Jones, born about 1851, North Carolina;
   2. Betsey4 Jones, born about 1854, North Carolina;
   3. Nancy4 Jones, born about 1857, North Carolina;

15 ii **AMERCER** Littleton, a son, born about 1832, North Carolina.

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6. NOAH F. RIGGS (John) was born about 1800, North Carolina or Virginia, alive in 1838 (for his mother’s petition [q.v.]), died about 1869. He married [bond] 6 Sept. 1831, Onslow Co., N.C., RUTH MEADOWS, who was born about 1810, North Carolina. (I believe she is not the Ruthy Meadows of the 1838 dower petition.) She was alive in an 1869 deed and the 1870 census.

According to a great grandson, Leo Vinson Riggs, “My Great Grand Fathe [sic] Noah—(Tanky) Riggs came from Pasquotank County in the 1820 or 30 work in Turpentine-pine Tar and Farming.– Live in Brown Sound, New River Area, Onslow County [family record (Figure 4)].”

In 1830 Noah Riggs, 20–30 (born 1800–1810), resided in Onslow Co., N.C., with a woman 20–30 (born 1800–1810), and one boy and one girl under 5 (born 1825–1830), and no slaves. This doesn’t seem to quite jibe.

On 19 Oct. 1838 Abraham Meadows sold to Noah Riggs, both of Onslow Co., N.C., a parcel of 100 acres in Onslow Co., N.C., for $100. So Abraham is possibly father of Ruth Meadows whom Noah married in 1831.

In 1840 Noah F. “Rigs,” 40–50 (born 1790–1800), resided in Onslow Co., N.C., with a woman 30–40 (born 1800–1810), two boys under 5 (born 1835–1840), and one boy 5–10 (born 1830–1835), and with 17 slaves.


40. U.S. census, 1840, Onslow Co., N.C., r. 367, p. 139.
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In 1850 Noah Riggs, 50, a mechanic born in North Carolina, resided in White Oak, Onslow Co., N.C., with “Ruthy,” 40, born in North Carolina, and with “Wm,” 17, “Amandy,” 15, Joseph, 12, James B., 6, George, 3, and John, 10/12, all born in North Carolina. Next door was “Sarrah” Riggs, 34, and presumably her family. I take her to be Noah’s sister-in-law awaiting further proof [see next sketch].

In 1860 Noah F. Riggs, 60, a farmer born in North Carolina with $400 real and $200 personal estates, resided in Swansboro, Swansboro Dist., Onslow Co., N.C., with Ruth, 48, born in North Carolina, and with Joseph, 22, John [sic], 16, George, 13, Elijah, 7, and David, 3, all born in North Carolina.

On 20 Nov. 1869 Noah F. Riggs and his wife Ruth Riggs of Onslow Co., N.C., sold for $200 to John A. Gillette, of Onslow Co., a tract of land of 200 acres, and it was acknowledged on 6 Dec. 1869.

In 1870 Ruth Riggs, 57, born in North Carolina with $100 real and $120 personal estates, resided in Swansboro, Swansboro Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with David, 13, born in North Carolina, and also the Indiana Barton family. The Isaac Hewitt family is on the same page.

An undated deed for Onslow Co., N.C., has the party of the first part sell to Bryant Halsell, all of Onslow Co., a parcel of about 300 acres in Onslow Co., for $75. The party of the first part consisted of “James B. Riggs and wife Mary Elizabeth, Joseph E. Riggs and wife Alice Ann, Elijah L. Riggs and wife Nancy Caroline, George Riggs & wife Missouri Elizabeth, and David W. Riggs.” These are all the children of Noah and Ruth who must have inherited the property jointly, so presumably after both their deaths and before David’s marriage (or perhaps after his putative first wife’s death).

42. U.S. census, 1860, Swanston PO, Swansboro Dist., Onslow Co., N.C., r. 908, p. 296, dw. 313, fam. 313.
43. Digital photocopy of the deed was emailed to me, 19 Jan. 2016, courtesy of Richard Phillips.
44. U.S. census, 1860, Swansboro PO, Swansboro Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., r. 908, p. 68, dw. 70, fam. 70. Isaac resided in dw. 65.
Children:

20  i  **WILLIAM** RIGGS, born about 1833 (1850 census), North Carolina.

21  ii  **AMANDA** RIGGS, born about 1835 (1850 census), North Carolina.

+ 22  iii  **JOSEPH E.** RIGGS, born about 1838 (1850 census), North Carolina, married **ALICE ANN** —, and had at least two children.

+ 23  iv  **JAMES B.** RIGGS, born about 1844 (1850 census) or 28 Dec. 1839, Onslow Co., N.C., married **MARY ELIZABETH RHODES**, and had at least four children, one at least with Mary.

+ 24  v  **GEORGE NOAH** RIGGS, born about 1847 (1850 census) or July 1843, North Carolina, married (1) **MISSOURI ELIZABETH LITTLETON**, and had eight children, married (2) **MARY WHITE**, and had six children. Note that the two birthdates fit either of two 1850 census Noahs. There’s definitely a father Noah here, but we don’t know which one.

25  vi  **JOHN** RIGGS, born about 1849 (1850 census), North Carolina. He is not listed in the 1860 census, so presumably died. (The John listed in the 1870 is assumed to be an error for James, since his age matches James’s and James is not listed.)

26  vii  **ELIJAH L.** RIGGS, born about 1853 (1860 census), Onslow Co., N.C., died 8 Dec. 1928, aged 75 years, Trent Twp., Lenoir Co., N.C., and was buried 9 Dec. 1929, Maplewood Cem., Kinston, Lenoir Co., N.C. He married 7 Dec. 1869, Onslow Co., N.C., **NANCY CAROLINE MELTON**.

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27 viii DAVID W. RIGGS, born about 1857 (1860 census), North Carolina, married 19 July 1914, at "Bettie Meadows" [home], Pollocksville Twp., Jones Co., N.C., [48] to EFFIE (MEADOWS) COLLINS, born about 1868, North Carolina, daughter of [?] and Bettie (—) Meadows. They had at least one child.

In 1920 David W. Riggs, 64, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Pollocksville, Jones Co., N.C., with his wife, Effie, 46, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with four Collins stepchildren, from her former marriage, and his son, Robert R. Riggs, 4, born in North Carolina. [49]

8. ASA NOAH RIGGS (John) [50] was born about 1809 (1850 census), North Carolina, and was alive in 1838 at his mother’s petition for dower. He married FANNIE HARRINGTON, [51] who was born about 1812, North Carolina.

In 1840 Asa “Rigs,” 30–40, resided in Onslow Co., N.C., with a woman 20–30, one boy and one girl under 5, one girl 5–10. [52]

In 1850 Noah Riggs, 42, a farmer with $150 real estate, resided in White Oak, Onslow Co., N.C., with Frances, 37, “Marthy,” 16, Catherine, 15, Bazel, 9, and George, 6, all born in North Carolina. Bazel, George, and Frances (Fannie) fit. There were several Riggeses in the vicinity. [53]

In 1860 Asa Riggs, 51, a farmer with $800 real and $600 personal estates, resided in Palo Alto, White Oak Dist., Onslow Co., N.C., with Fanny, 48, George, 15, and Hellen Conway, 19, a serving woman, all

50. He was Asa in all censuses except for 1850 where he was Noah, but it fits well.
51. Her surname comes from son Bazel’s death certificate; her given name from the censuses.
52. U.S. census, 1840, Onslow Co., N.C., r. 367, p. 142.
born in North Carolina. Next door was Bazel Riggs, 18. Nearby was Noah Riggs, 57, and E.W.O. Riggs, 32.[54]

In 1870 Asa Riggs, 60, a farmer with $300 real and $345 personal estates, resided in White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with Fanny, 52(!), George, 24, Brancy, 28, female, Mary Melville, 16, a domestic, “Asaa” Riggs, 2, and Cassandra Riggs, 1/12, born in April, all born in North Carolina.[55] Bazel is on the same page as Cassandra. Mary Melville was probably Asa’s granddaughter, of his daughter, Martha Melville. The youngest were children of George and Brancy.


Known children:

+ 28 i MARTHA1 RIGGS, born about 1834, North Carolina, married DAVID MELVILLE, and had six children.

29 ii CATHERINE3 RIGGS, born about 1835, North Carolina. She might be the Catharine Riggs, 18 [born about 1842], who resided with Martha Melville in the 1860 census, but her age does not quite fit.


+ 31 iv GEORGE F.3 RIGGS, born June 1844, North Carolina, married BRANCY MORTON, and had seven children.

10. CARTWRIGHT/CARTERET2 RIGGS (John1) was born 1794–1802 (1820 census), birth order unknown, died before the 1837 petition, mar-

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ried an unknown woman, and had two children, both “infants of tender age” at the petition (so both minors born after, probably well after, 1816).

In 1820 Carteret Riggs, 18–26 (born 1794–1802), resided in White Oak, Carteret Co, N.C., with a woman 16–26 (born 1794–1804), and one boy under 10 (born 1810–1820), and no slaves.[57]

Children, presumably in birth order:

32  i BRYAN[T] R. 3 RIGGS JR., born after, probably well after, 1816, probably North Carolina, married 16 June 1853, White Oak, Carteret Co., N.C., CAROLINE HOWLAND.

33  ii THOMAS 3 RIGGS, born after, probably well after, 1816, probably North Carolina.

11. DAVID 2 RIGGS (John 1)[59] was born 1780–1790 (1830 census), birth order unknown, died before the 1838 dower petition by his mother, married DESIRE —, who was born 1794–1800 (intersection of 1820 and 1830 censuses), and had nine children, all of “tender age” at the petition (so all minors born after 1816, except perhaps for the girls for whom the year might instead be after 1819).

David’s will, written 16 Oct. 1837, proved November Term 1837, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, Onslow Co., N.C.:

State of North Carolina
Onslow County
October the 16 day 1837

Know all men by these presents that I the said Daile(?) David Riggs do give my wife Desire one horse and the choice of one cow & calf, one yoke of oxen, one sow and pigs and seven fattening hogs, enuf out of the other hogs to make her meat one year and her three children. If she runs in debt the manager shall take the property and sell it for the benefit of

59. The transcription of his will that I read gives his name as “Daile(?) David Riggs.” So he might have been Dale David Riggs. Indeed, many online unsourced genealogies call him David Dale Riggs.
the airs. I do want Thos Riggs my son to cum and build on my land and take the widders team and crope t with her and her children for such a part of the crop and if the teem be misused the manager shall take them out of his imploy and return them to the widdler. James Hambleton I want to come and build on my land and all the ground that he clears up have all that he makes on it two years and help to keep up the fence round the plantation. They shall cut nor carry no wood nor timber of no kind of on the land nor hoop poles. My turpentine I want to go to pay my debts and if there be any left I want it to go to my wife and children. Sixty two dollars and thirty sents in cash I want to go for the schooling of my two sons Issac [sic] and David. Eighty dollars in notes I want the money when collected divided among my children but principaly to my three boys. I want it to go to school them. The widders and Thomas & Feby my two grown children five dollars apiece out of the notes. All the rest of my property to be sold and if one of the children dies I want their share to go to the rest of the airs. If David lives to be twenty one years old an has a lawful air the land is hisen. If he dies without a lawul air the land returns to the rest of the airs. I nominate Thomas B. Holland and Daniel Ambrose my executors to this my last will and testament. I (????) all others in witness where unto I have here to set my hand and seal this the 16 day of October 1837,

David Riggs (he signed)

Test: Joseph (his mark) Avery
Test: James Hambleton (he signed)

State of North Carolina
Onslow County
Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions

November Term 1837 then was the will of David Riggs offered for probate and admitted on the oath of Joseph Avery and James Hamilton in open court and the widow entered her dissent there to and Thos Holland one of the executors qualified there to.

Jasper Ethridge, Clk.\[60\]

60. This document was transcribed to <Ancestry.com> for John Riggs, with this note: “Will of David Riggs (Will Book #2, pg #9) Transcribed by Marle Riggs Myers (I have put in (.) and left out a
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On 28 Mar. 1815 David Riggs of Onslow Co., N.C., was bonded for £100 and Richard Jones and Azel Massey of the same county were bonded for £50 each conditioned on the appearance of David Riggs in court in its April term to meet the charge of Sally Meadows, a single woman of the same county, that she had been recently been delivered of a bastard child.[61]

In 1820 David Riggs, 26–45 (born 1775–1794), resided in Wolf Pitt, Onslow Co., N.C., with a woman 16–26 (born 1794–1804), and one boy under 10 (possibly Thomas).[62]

In 1830 David Riggs, 40–50 (born 1780–1790), resided in Onslow Co, N.C., with a woman 30–40 (born 1790–1800), one boy and two girls under 5 (born 1825–1830), one girl 5–10 (born 1820–1825), and one male 15–20 (born 1810–1815).[63]

In 1840 Desire “Rigs,” 40–50 (born 1790–1800), resided in Onslow Co., N.C., with one boy and one girl under 5 (born 1835–1840), one girl 5–10 (born 1830–1835), one male 10–15 (born 1825–1830), and one female 15–20 (born 1820–1825). On the same page is Asa Riggs, 30–40, with a woman 20–30, one boy and one girl under 5, and one girl 5–10.[64]

Children, presumably in birth order:

34 i THOMAS¹ RIGGS, born after 1816, probably North Carolina. David’s will of 1837 describes “Thomas & Feby my two grown children,” so Thomas might have been born right at 1816.

35 ii PHEBE¹ RIGGS, born after 1819, probably North Carolina. David’s will of 1837 describes “Thomas & Feby my two grown children,” so Phebe might have been born right at 1819.

lot of “ands” to make it more readable. I have tried to use the same spelling.). There is also penciled this note: “Source = Margaret Jacobs Lewis Daughter of will Jacobs & Pearl Riggs.”

64. U.S. census, 1840, Onslow Co., N.C., r. 367, p. 142.

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36 iii **Miriam** Riggs, born after 1819, probably North Carolina. Not mentioned in the will, which is a worry. Could the will not be this David’s?

+ 37 iv **Isaac L.** Riggs, born about 1827, Maysville, Jones Co. (New Bern area), N.C., married **Eliza Jane Mosley**, and had 10 children.

38 v **David** Riggs, born after 1816, probably North Carolina. Mentioned in David’s will.

39 vi **Rachel** Riggs, born after 1819, probably North Carolina. None of this and the next two daughters appears in the will. Probably the Rachael Riggs who married (bond) 18 Nov. 1848, Onslow Co., N.C., [65] **John Andrews Meadows**.


In 1850 Elisha Williamson, 23, a cooper born in North Carolina, resided in Swansboro, Onslow Co., N.C., with “Oli,” 18, born in North Carolina. [67]

41 viii **Desire** Riggs, born after 1819, probably North Carolina.

42 ix **William** Riggs, born after 1816, probably North Carolina. David’s will mentions “my three boys,” so William might have been born after the will of 1837 was written.

12. **Betsy** Riggs (John), birth order unknown, died before the 1838 dower petition by her mother, and died before the 1830 census, married **William Bell**, born about 1780–1790, and had five children, the

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66. Death certificate, image online at N.C. Death Certificates, 1909–1976, no. 209, Mrs. Lucy Jones, of Wilmington, New Hanover Co., N.C., died 30 June 1942, Wilmington, aged 75 yrs. 6 mos. 14 dys, female, white, widowed (of spouse A. S. Jones), born 16 Dec. 1866, Swansboro, N.C., father Elisha Williamson, born Swansboro, mother Olive Riggs, born Swansboro, informant J. D. Jones, at same address as deceased, buried 2 July 1942, Sea Gate Cem., New Hanover Co., N.C.

younger three “minors and infants of tender years” at the petition (so minors born after 1816, except perhaps for the girls for whom the year might instead be after 1819).

In 1830 William Bell, 40–50, resided in Onslow Co, N.C., with one boy under 5, and two boys and two girls 5–10.\textsuperscript{68} John Riggs Jr., 20–30, and Noah Riggs, 20–30, are listed together on this same page. On the preceding page are Bryant Riggs, 20–30, John Riggs Sr., 70–80, and Isaac Riggs, 50–60, listed together. On the succeeding page is David Riggs, 40–50.

Children, presumably in birth order:

43 i \textbf{STEPHEN\textsuperscript{1} BELL}, born before or in 1816, born 1820–1825 (boy 5–10 in 1830 census), probably North Carolina. These do not jibe. Perhaps the age of adulthood was 18, not 21.

In 1840 Stephen R. Bell, 20–30 (born 1810–1820), resided in Onslow Co, N.C., with a woman 30–40 (born 1800–1810), one boy and two girls under 5 (born 1835–1840), one girl 5–10 (born 1830–1835), and one female 20–30 (born 1810–1820).\textsuperscript{68} John “Rigs,” 40–50 (born 1790–1800) is listed on the same page.

44 ii \textbf{JOHN\textsuperscript{1} BELL}, born before 1816, born 1820–1825 (boy 5–10 in 1830 census), probably North Carolina. These do not jibe. Perhaps the age of adulthood was 18, not 21.

45 iii \textbf{LOOMIS\textsuperscript{3} BELL}, born after 1819, born 1820–1825 (girl 5–10 in 1830 census), probably North Carolina.

46 iv \textbf{LOTTY\textsuperscript{1} BELL}, born after 1819, born 1820–1825 (girl 5–10 in 1830 census), probably North Carolina.

47 v \textbf{EBIN\textsuperscript{1} BELL}, born after 1816, born 1825–1830 (boy under 5 in the 1830), probably North Carolina.

13. \textbf{[SON\textsuperscript{2}] RIGGS (\textit{?John\textsuperscript{1}}) married SARRAH —}, who was born about 1816, North Carolina.

\textsuperscript{68} U.S. census, 1830, Onslow Co., N.C., r. 123, p. 215. John Riggs Jr. is 00001 00011; Noah Riggs is 10001 10001; Bryant Riggs is 00001 10001; John Riggs Sr. is 0000100001 000000001; Isaac Riggs is 10100001 01001; David Riggs is 1001001 210001.

\textsuperscript{69} U.S. census, 1830, Onslow Co., N.C., r. 367, p. 152. John Rigs is 2000001 2100011.
In 1850 “Sarrah” Riggs, 34, born in North Carolina, with Charity Taylor, 19, David Riggs, 14, [Arinth? Avirett?] [the rest are Rigges], 13, male, Nancy, 12, “Sarrah,” 10, [Duley!], 5, female, “Wm,” 3, Thomas, 2, and Aplis, 2, female, all born in North Carolina. [In all cases, the nativity field is empty so North Carolina is assumed.]

Nearby was Isaac Riggs, 15, in the household of Robert Carney.

Possible (doesn’t work, this family exists in the 1850 and 1870 censuses): In 1860 John R. Riggs, 50, a farmer born in North Carolina with $2,000 real and $1,200 personal estates, resided in Bay River, Craven Co., N.C., with Sarah, 40, born in North Carolina, and with Thomas, 18 (b. c1842), Henry, 14 (b. c1846), Fernand, 13 (b. c1847), female, Alfred, 10 (b. c1850), Ephraim, 8, Ann B., 6, Horthy H., 3, female, Mary H., 1/6, all born in North Carolina, and one laborer.

In 1860 Isaac Hewitt, 23, a farmer born in North Carolina with $2,000 real and $1,200 personal estates, resided in Swansboro Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with Elizabeth, 23 (b. c1837), born in North Carolina, and with Everett Riggs, 22 (b. c1838), and Nancy Riggs, 21 (b. c1839), both born in North Carolina. On the same page is Newton Riggs, 21 (b. c1839), and on the next page, William, 26 (b. c1834). Everett and Nancy match Avirett and Nancy in the list of children below, but the others don’t.

Children:

48 i DAVID Riggs, born about 1836, North Carolina.
49 ii [ARINTH/AVIRETT?] Riggs, born about 1837, North Carolina.
50 iii NANCY Riggs, born about 1838, North Carolina.
51 iv SARRAH Riggs, born about 1840, North Carolina.
52 v DULCY Riggs, born about 1845, North Carolina, married 9 Mar. 1866, Onslow Co., N.C., JOSEPH HOWARD, born about 1845, North Carolina, and had at least one child.

73. N.C. Marriage Bonds, 1741–1868, Joseph Howard to Dulcy Riggs, bond 1 Mar. 1866, bond no.
N.B. In 1860 Joseph Howard, 23, a farm laborer born in North Carolina, resided in the household of “Wm” Riggs, 33, a farmer born in North Carolina with $400 real and $150 personal estates, who resided in Swansboro, Onslow Co., N.C., with Olive, 23, Mary, 3, Agnes, 9/12, all born in North Carolina. Two doors away Dulcey “Hall,” 16, is listed as a domestic in the household of David Hall. This Dulcey might be, it has been suggested by <Ancestry.com> researchers, Dulcy Riggs, would have been about 16 then, and was conveniently located near Joseph Howard. What makes this argument suspect is that the Joseph Howard in 1860 was 23 and he in 1870 was 25.\(^{74}\)

In 1870 Joseph Howard, 25, a farm laborer born in North Carolina, resided in Swansboro, Onslow Co., N.C., with Dulcy, 26, born in North Carolina, and Willie, 2, born in N.C.\(^{75}\)

53 vi William\(^1\) Riggs, born about 1847, North Carolina.

54 vii Thomas\(^1\) Riggs [twin], born about 1848, North Carolina. Perhaps he in Onslow Co. in 1870 census, 21, in a Gillet household; James, 28, and Joseph, 35, on same page. Also Dulcy Howard, 26, is on same page. Also Amanda Littleton, 50.

55 viii Aplis\(^1\) Riggs [twin], born about 1848, North Carolina.

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93329, married 9 Mar. 1866, Onslow Co., record no. 01 043, bondsman R. F. Pelletier, performed by A. F. Farrell JP.


75. U.S. census, 1870, Swansboro PO, Swansboro Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., r. 908, p. 69, dw. 82, fam. 82. Thomas resides in dw. 79, James in dw. 84, James in dw. 86.
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22. JOSEPH E. RIGGS (Noah F., John) was born about 1838 (1850 census), North Carolina. He married ALICE ANN —, who was born about 1845, North Carolina.


In 1870 Joseph Riggs, 35, a shingle maker born in North Carolina, resided in Swansboro, Swansboro Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with Alice, 25, Caroline, 4, and John, 1, all born in North Carolina.[76] Nearby was James Riggs, with Mary.

In 1880 Joseph Riggs, 48, resided with his brother George [definitely our George] in Swansboro Twp., Craven Co., N.C. But this Joseph, born about 1832, doesn’t fit the current Joseph very well.

Known children:

56  i CAROLINE RIGGS, born about 1866 (1870 census), North Carolina.

57  ii JOHN RIGGS, born about 1869 (1870 census), North Carolina.

23. JAMES B. RIGGS (Noah F., John) was born about 1842 (1870 census) or May 1840 (1900 census) or 28 Dec. 1839 (death certificate), Onslow Co., N.C., died 15 Apr. 1915, aged 75 years 3 months 18 days, Wildwood, Carteret Co., N.C.,[77] and was buried 16 Apr. 1915, Thur-

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76. U.S. census, 1870, Swansboro PO, Swansboro Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., r. 908, p. 68, dw. 86, fam. 86. James resided in dw. 84.

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man, N.C. He married 1858, Onslow Co., N.C.,[78] MARY ELIZABETH RHODES, who was born Feb. 1839 (1900 census), North Carolina.

On 15 July 1862, James B. Riggs, 22, of Onslow Co., N.C., enlisted in Company K, North Carolina 61st Infantry Regiment, and was mustered out on 1 July 1863 (for last enlistment in on 3 Oct. 1863).[79]

In 1870 James Riggs, 28, a farmer born in North Carolina, resided in Swansboro, Onslow Co., N.C., with his wife, Mary, 30, born in North Carolina, and with Mary, 10, and James, 6, both born in North Carolina.[80] Nearby were Joseph Riggs, 35, Thomas Riggs, 21, and Dulcy Howard, 26.

In 1880 James Riggs, 50 [sic], a laborer, resided in White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with his wife, Mary, 40, daughter, “Cathern,” 13, and sons, William J., 10, and Joseph K., 5, all born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives.[81] Liddia S. Riggs, 13, resided nearby.

In 1890 James B. Riggs resided in White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., a veteran of rank private, in Company E, Regiment 2 North Carolina Infantry, enlisted Nov. 1862, discharged 27 July 1865, length of service 2 years 8 months.[82]


80. U.S. census, 1870, Swansboro, Onslow Co., N.C., r. 1153, p. 69A, dw. 84, fam. 84.


82. U.S. census, Veterans Schedule, 1890, White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., ED 96, r. 58, p. 1, dw. 31, fam. 33, Maysville, Jones Co., PO, disability piles and rheumatism, remark: “Transfered to 1st NC Infr In June 1863.”

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In 1900 James Riggs, 60, a farmer born May 1840 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Sixth Twp., Craven Co., N.C., with his wife of 40 years, Mary E., 61, born Feb. 1839 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his son, John, 18, born Mar. 1882 in North Carolina. Mary had had one [sic] child, and it survived.\[83\] In the same dwelling resided James Riggs, 29 [q.v.].

Also in the same dwelling resided Joseph Riggs, 24, born Feb. 1876 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, with his wife of two years, Mary E., 24, born Nov. 1875 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his son, Courtney Lee, [2?]12, born Sept. 1899 in North Carolina, and his sister, Bertha Philips, 19, born June 1880 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, single. Mary E. (Jr.) had had one child, and it survived.\[84\]

In 1910 James B., 70, a widower born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Seventh Twp., Craven Co., N.C., in the household of his son, Joseph K. Riggs, 34 [q.v.].\[85\]

Known children:

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+ 61  
+ 62  

\[83\] U.S. census, 1900, Sixth Twp., Craven Co., N.C., ED 47, r. 1190, p. 138, sh. 2A, dw. 26, fam. 26. In the same dwelling were James Riggs, fam. 27, and Joseph Riggs, fam. 28

84. U.S. census, 1900, Sixth Twp., Craven Co., N.C., ED 47, r. 1190, p. 138, sh. 2A, dw. 26, fam. 26. In the same dwelling were James Riggs, fam. 27, and Joseph Riggs, fam. 28

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63 vi BERTHA⁴ RIGGS, born June 1880 (1900 census), North Carolina, married — PHILIPS. She was “single” in the 1900 census, and was not mentioned in her father’s 1898 affidavit.

64 vii JOHN M.⁴ RIGGS, born 8 Mar. 1881 (father’s affidavit) or Mar. 1882 (1900 census), North Carolina. According to the 1900 census he was the only child that James had with wife Mary E.

24. GEORGE NOAH³ RIGGS (ⁿNoah F.², ⁿJohn¹) was born about 1847 (1880 census) or July 1843 (1900 census), or 1848, Brown Sound, Onslow Co., N.C. (family record (Figure 4)), or 4 July 1846, Wards Mill, Onslow Co., N.C. (death certificate), died 4 Jan. 1917, aged 70 years 11 months 24 days, Croatan, Craven Co., N.C.,[86] and was buried 6 Jan. 1917, near Riverdale, N.C. He married (1) 26 Apr. 1866, Onslow Co., N.C.,[87] MISSOURI ELIZABETH LITTLETON, who was born about 1846, North Carolina,[88] daughter of Isaac D. Littleton, and died before the 1900 census. According to a grandson, Leo Vinson⁵ Riggs, “My Grandmother Missouri Littleton Riggs Died in Onslow County, Brown Sound Area 1884 or 1885. My Grandfather Moved To Craven County Croatan Area about 1886 or 1887 married a Croatan Girl and a second Family. I Never Knew Them (family record (Figure 4)).”

George married (2) about 1901 MARY WHITE, who was born about 1877 (1910 census) or 1883 (1920 census) or 22 Feb. 1880 (death certif-
icate), Craven Co., N.C., daughter of William H. and Sarah (Ringgold) White, and who died 26 June 1958, New Bern, Craven Co., N.C., and was buried 27 June 1958, Pate Family Cem., Craven Co., N.C.

In 1880 George Riggs, 32, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Swansboro Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with his wife, “Masouria,” 31, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his son, John E., 12, daughter, Elizabeth, 11 [perhaps 10], son, William M., 5, daughter, Alvania, 2, all born in North Carolina, and his brother, Joseph, 48, with his same nativities.


In 1910 George N. Riggs, 65, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Sixth Twp., Craven Co., N.C., with his wife of nine years, Mary, 33, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his daughter, “May B.,” 8, son, George H., 4, and daughter, Eva L., 2, all three born in North Carolina. Mary had had four children, with three surviving.

An obituary “In Memory of G. N. Riggs”:

Died, at his home at Croatan, Jan. 4, 1917, in his seventy-first year. He leaves to mourn his departure, an affectionate, sorrowing wife, four sons, five daughters, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

He was twice married, to Miss Misouria [sic] Lillington [sic] in 1854 [sic], and to Miss Mary White, of Croatan in 1900. Of the eight children

92. U.S. census, 1910, Sixth Twp., Craven Co., N.C., ED 19, r. 1104, p. 137, sh. 1A, dw. 11, fam. 11.
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born of the first union, four are living, and of the six born of the second union, five are living. Those of his last wife are with their grandmother at Croatan. Those of his first wife are Mr. W. M. Riggs, of Riverdale, N.C., Mr. J. E. Riggs, of Maysville, N.C., Mrs. C. C. Cum[b]low, of New Bern, and Mrs. D. S. Pones [sic], of Ocean, N.C. . . . a faithful member at the Primitive Baptist church . . . Many are the times that he has entertained friends and loved ones around the fireside, telling of his adventures of the Civil War. . . .

In 1920 William H. White, 66, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Craven Co., N.C., with his wife, Sarah, 57, with same nativities, and his son “Allonzo,” 35, single, born in North Carolina, and with his daughter, “Marie,” 37, a widow born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and her children, William’s grandchildren, granddaughters, Maybell Riggs, 18, and Pearlie, 16, grandsons, George Riggs, 14, and “Allonzo,” 12, and granddaughter, Sarah M., 9, all born in North Carolina, and also with his son-in-law, Joseph Lynch, 41, a widower born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives. . . [94]

In 1930 Mary Riggs, 50, a widow born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Craven Co., N.C., with her son, George, 23, daughters, Eva, 22, and Viola, 19, and son, Charlie, 16, all born in North Carolina. Mary was 21 at first marriage. . . [95]

Known children of the eight born to his first marriage, to Missouri:

+ 65  i  JOHN EDWARD 4 RIGGS, born 20 May 1867, Onslow Co., N.C., married (1) MOLLIE/MARY E. 4 RIGGS (Elijah ´), and had six children, married (2) MAGGIE CHRISTINE (TROTT) (ODUM) WILLIS.

+ 66  ii  RUTH ELIZABETH 4 RIGGS, born May 1870, Onslow Co., N.C., married CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS CUMBO, and had three children.

93. Obit., image of newspaper clipping posted on <Ancestry.com> at <trees.ancestry.com/tree/-56940202/person/34016078515/media/1?pgnum=1&pg=-1&pgpl=pid%7cpgNum>, 4 Aug. 2015, along with image of George Noah Riggs’s death certificate. No newspaper name or date given.
iii William Mack* Riggs, born 7 Feb. or 14 Feb. 1875, Onslow Co., N.C., married Avis (Hardison) Simpson, and had three children.


Known children of at least six born to his second marriage, to Mary:


vi Pearl* Riggs, born about 1904, North Carolina.

vii George Hardy* Riggs, born 22 Aug. 1906, Craven Co., N.C.;[98]

viii Alonzo* Riggs, born about 1908, North Carolina.

ix Eva Lee* Riggs, born about 1908, North Carolina.


98. U.S. WWII Draft Cards Young Men, 1940–1947, image online, George Hardy Riggs, 34, of Dover, Craven Co., N.C., born 22 Aug. 1906, Craven Co., N.C., name of person who will always know your address Mrs. Mary Riggs, mother, of Dover.


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1900, son of F.S.B. and Harriett (--) Rouse. There’s a 1940 census for this family.

75 xi SARAH M. RIGGS, born about 1911, North Carolina.

+ 76 xii CHARLIE FINLEY RIGGS, born 25 May 1914, Craven Co., N.C., married (1) MARY LEE WILLIAMS, and had three children, married (2) ANNA TRHLIK.

28. MARTHA RIGGS (Asa Noah, John) was born about 1834, North Carolina. She married[101] DAVID MELVILLE, who was born about 1828, North Carolina.

In 1860 David Melville, 32, a farmer born in North Carolina with $30 real and $175 personal estates, resided in Palo Alto, White Oak Dist., Onslow Co., N.C., with Martha, 28, Mary C., 6, Frances, 5, and Ann J., 3, all born in North Carolina, and Catharine Riggs, 18, a domestic born in North Carolina. James Riggs, 38, with Ruth, 28, resided nearby.[102]

In 1870 David Melville, 44, a farmer with $70 real and $180 personal estates, resided in White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with Martha, 40, Mary, 15, Elizabeth, 14, Jane, 12, Winniford, 8, and Martha, 6/12, born in Nov., and Hatsell Riggs, 8, all born in North Carolina. Edward Riggs, 41, and Mourning, 31, resided nearby.[103]

In 1880 David Melville, 53, a farmer, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with his wife, Martha, 44, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with daughters, Frances E., 23, and “Winnie” G., x, son, William H., x, and daughter, Marthas A., 8, all born in North Carolina.[104] Nearby are George (and wife Brancy) Riggs, and Hanley Riggs, and Joseph Jones and Rosa.

Children:

101. Evidence for this marriage is the death certificate of their daughter, Martha, which gives her parents as David Melville and Martha Riggs, both of Onslow Co., N.C.
103. U.S. census, 1870, White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., r. 1153, p. 87B, dw. 72, fam. 72.
77  i  MARY C. 4  MELVILLE, born about 1854, North Carolina, probably married a Riggs and is the Mary Melville residing with her grandfather Asa in 1860 and the Mollie Riggs residing with him in 1870.


79  iii  ANN JANE 4  MELVILLE, born about 1857, North Carolina.

80  iv  WINIFRED G. 4  MELVILLE, born about 1862, North Carolina.

81  v  WILLIAM H. 4  MELVILLE, born about 186x, North Carolina.

82  vi  MARTHA A. 4  MELVILLE, born about 1872, Onslow Co., N.C., died 13 Apr. 1926, White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., buried 15 Apr. 1926, Grants Creek Cem., married JOHN F. MARSHALL.

30. BAZEL MURRILL 3  RIGGS (Asa Noah 2, John 1) 107  was born 15 Dec. 1841 (gravestone), Onslow Co., N.C. or Dec. 1842 (1900 census), died 20 Jan. 1923, age 82, Maysville, White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., 108 and was buried in Riggs Family Cem., Hubert, Onslow Co., N.C. 109 He mar-


107. His middle name comes from his marriage certificate which gives his name as Bazel Murrill, not Bazel Murrill Riggs. Similarly, the death certificate for his daughter, Emma, lists him as “Basil Murrill.” But other death certificates of Emma’s siblings list him as Bazel Riggs.


109. Find a Grave, no. 15920230, gravestone photograph, by Linda Searcy Van Dyke, Riggs Family Cem., Hubert, Onslow Co., N.C., “Basil M Riggs | Pvt Co G 3 NC Inf | Confederate States Army | Dec 1 1841 Jan 20 1923.” Also has a photo of him.
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ried (bonded) 9 Apr. 1859, Onslow Co., N.C.\textsuperscript{110} ANN JANE MELVILLE, who was born 15 Apr. 1842 (gravestone) or Apr. 1841 (1900 census), died 16 July 1921, and was buried in the same cemetery as her husband.\textsuperscript{111}

In 1860 Bazel Riggs, 18, a farmer born in North Carolina, resided in Palo Alto, White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with Ann J., 17, and Edmond B., 7/12, all born in North Carolina. Next door was Asa Riggs, 57.\textsuperscript{112}

In 1870 “Bazil” Riggs, 27, a farmer born in North Carolina, resided in Palo Alto, White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with Ann, 27, Jefferson, 7, Sarah, 6, Julia, 5, Susan, 4, Agnes, 3, Martha, 2, and Mary, 1, all born in North Carolina.\textsuperscript{113}

In 1880 Bazel M. Riggs, 39, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with his wife, “Jane A.,” 39, and his son, Jefferson D., 18, daughters, Sarah F., 16, Julia A., 15, Susan C., 14, “Agness” J., 13, Mary [sic], 12, Martha [sic], 11, Laura E., 10, and Emma, 7, and sons, John D., 6, and George A., 5, daughter, Layar, 4, and son, “Asa L.,” 1, all born in North Carolina. Next door was “Isac J.” Riggs, 52.\textsuperscript{114}


\textsuperscript{111}. Find a Grave, no. 15920191, gravestone photograph, by Linda Searcy Van Dyke, Riggs Family Cem., Hubert, Onslow Co., N.C., “Ann Jane Riggs | April 15, 1842 | July 16, 1921.” Also has a photo of her.

\textsuperscript{112}. U.S. census, 1860, Palo Alto PO, White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., r. 908, p. 279, dw. 831, fam. 831.

\textsuperscript{113}. U.S. census, 1870, Palo Alto PO, White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., r. 1153, p. 89B, dw. 114, fam. 114.

Jane had had 16 children, with 11 surviving. Next door was “Jeff” D. Riggs, 39, born Apr. 1861. [115]


Known children, of 16:

- 83 i **EDMOND B. 4 RIGGS**, born about 1859, North Carolina.
- 84 ii **JEFFERSON D. 4 RIGGS**, born about 1863 (1870 census) or Apr. 1861 (1900 census), North Carolina.
- 85 iii **SARAH F. 4 RIGGS**, born about 1864, North Carolina.
- 87 v **SUSAN C. 4 RIGGS**, born about 1866, North Carolina.
- 88 vi **AGNES J. 4 RIGGS**, born about 1867, North Carolina.
- 89 vii **MARTHA 4 RIGGS**, born about 1868, North Carolina.

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1926, Grants Creek Cem., married JOHN MARTON. She was possibly Martha, not Mary.

91 ix LAURA E.⁴ RIGGS, born about 1870, North Carolina.


93 xi JOHN D.⁴ RIGGS, born about 1874, North Carolina.

94 xii GEORGE A.⁴ RIGGS, born about 1875, North Carolina.

95 xiii LAYAR⁴ RIGGS, a daughter, born about 1876, North Carolina.

+ 96 xiv LEVI ASA⁴ RIGGS, born 10 Mar. 1878 or 1879, North Carolina, married HESTER RIGGS, and had at least 10 children.

+ 97 xv DANIEL FRANKLIN⁴ RIGGS, born 11 May 1883, Onslow Co., N.C., married AGNES JANE BARBER, and had at least 10 children.

31. GEORGE F.³ RIGGS (Asa Noah², John¹) was born June 1844 (1900 census), North Carolina, and died before the 1910 census. He married 31 July 1867, Onslow Co., N.C., [120] BRANCY MORTON, [121] who was born 1 Jan. 1842 (gravestone), North Carolina, died 13 Feb. 1912, and was buried in Riggs Family Cem., Hubert, Onslow Co., N.C. [122]

Repeated for convenience: In 1870 Asa Riggs, 60, a farmer with $300 real and $345 personal estates, resided in White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with Fanny, 52, George, 24, Brancy, 28, Mary Melville, 16, a domestic, “Asaa” Riggs, 2, and Cassandra Riggs, 1/12, born in April, all born in North Carolina. [123]


121. The death certificate for her putative son, Zennie, gives her surname as Multen.


In 1880 George Riggs, 36, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in White Oak, Onslow Co., N.C., with his wife of 33 years, Brancy, 38, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, with daughters, Cassa, 10, “Emalay” B., 7, “Fancy,” 4, and “Asa a” Jack, 1, all born in North Carolina. [124]


In 1910 Brancy Riggs, 68, a widow born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in White Oak, Onslow Co., N.C., with her daughters, Emily B., 34, and Fannie, 30, both single, and son [sic], Zennie L., 15, all born in North Carolina. She had had eight children, with seven surviving. Several Riggses are in the vicinity. [126]

In 1920 “Zinnie” L. Riggs, 25, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in White Oak, Onslow Co., N.C., with her aunts, Emily, 46, and “Fanny,” 47, both single and born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives. [127]

Children:

98  i  ASA[*] RIGGS, born 18 June 1868 (gravestone), died 6 Jan. 1879, and was buried in Riggs Family Cem., Hubert, Onslow Co., N.C. [128]

125. U.S. census, 1900, White Oak, Onslow Co., N.C., ED 84, r. 1209, p. 115, sh. 9B, dw. 155, fam. 156.
128. Find a Grave, no. 15920213, gravestone photograph, by Linda Searcy Van Dyke, Riggs Family Cem., Hubert, Onslow Co., N.C., “Asa Riggs | son of G. F. | & Brancy | Riggs Born | June 18,
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100 iii EMILY BRANCY RIGGS, born 10 Aug. 1873, Onslow Co., N.C., died 15 July 1932, White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C.; buried 16 July 1932, Riggs Family Cem., Hubert, Onslow Co., N.C., next to her sister, Fannie.

101 iv FANNIE W. RIGGS, born 4 Jan. 1876, Onslow Co., N.C., died 11 July 1932, White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C.; and buried next to her sister, Emily (q.v.).

102 v A. JACK RIGGS, born Oct. 1878, North Carolina. He might be named Asa Jack but his brother Asa (died Jan. 1879) was still alive at his birth, assuming the 1900 census date is correct.

103 vi CLARISA RIGGS, born Mar. 1881, North Carolina.

104 vii NANCY S. RIGGS, born 8 May 1883, Onslow Co., N.C., died 3 Nov. 1946, White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C.; and buried 4

1868 | Died Jan. 6, | 1879 | . . .”
Nov. 1946, Grants Creek Cem., nine miles south of Maysville, N.C., aka Riggs Family Cem., Hubert, Onslow Co., N.C., married Willie T. Owens, who was born about 1872.

+ 105 viii ?Zennie Lawrence* Riggs, born 21 Sept. 1894, Maysville, Jones Co., N.C. Brancy would have been 52 at his birth, which is not likely. He was probably a son of one of her daughters out of wedlock and raised as Brancy’s son. He is indeed listed as a grandson in the 1900 census, and the 1920 census lists Emily and Fannie as his aunts. I continue to place him in this child list for convenience, but I’ve tentatively assigned him a later generation number and a * to indicate a probable break in the Y-chromosome DNA line. He married Daisy Irene Riggs (James Russell, Michael R.), and had two children.

37. ISAAC L.² RIGGS (₁David¹, John¹) was born about 1827, Maysville, Jones Co. (New Bern area), N.C. He married ELIZA JANE MOSLEY, who was born about 1827 (1850 census) or June 1824 (1900 census) or 4 Mar. 1820 (gravestone), Hubert, Onslow Co., N.C., died 18 Aug. 1908, and was buried in Reed Cem., Bear Creek, Onslow Co., N.C. He is mentioned in his father David’s will of 16 Oct. 1837 as not grown.

In 1850 Isaac Riggs, 23, a laborer born in North Carolina, resided in Wolf Pitt, Onslow Co., N.C., with Jane, 23, born in North Carolina, John B., 6, and Rachel, 2, both born in North Carolina.


136. From son John’s death certificate (q.v.).


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In 1860 Isaac Riggs, 32, a farmer born in North Carolina, resided in Swansboro, Onslow Co., N.C., with Jane, 26(!), born in North Carolina, John, 15, Rachel, 12, Christopher, 8, Daniel, 5, and Mary, 2, all born in North Carolina.[139]

In 1870 Isaac Riggs, 49(!), a farmer born in North Carolina, resided in Swansboro, Onslow Co., N.C., with Jane, 40, born in North Carolina, John, 23, Rachel, 21, Ann, 18, Christopher, 17, Mary, 13, and Lucretia, 7, all born in North Carolina.[140]

In 1880 Jane Riggs, 52, widow, a farmer, resided in Swansboro Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with daughters, Mary J., 21, and “Loucrita,” 18, both single, and grandsons, Hector, 10, and Guss, 7, all born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives. Next door was John B. Riggs, 32 (q.v.).[141]

N.B. In 1880 “Isac J.” Riggs, 52, a farmer, resided in White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with his wife, Aley E., 38, son, Elic J., 22, daughter, Victoria, 18, son, Loranza, 15, daughters, Hariettia, 10, and Mary, 7, and son, “Isac” L., 5, son [sic], Sharlotte, 4, female, and son, [Amaskie N.?], 2, all born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives. Next door was Bazel M. Riggs, 39 (q.v.).[142]

In 1900 Jane Riggs, 75, widow, born June 1824 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Swansboro Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with her grandson, Isaac, 18, born Dec. 1881 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and one boarder. Jane had had 10 children, with four surviving.[143]

Known children, of 10:

+ 106  i JOHN B.¹ RIGGS, born 7 Sept. 1844, Hubert, N.C., married HENRIETTA WILLIS, and had at least three children.

143. U.S. census, 1900, Swansboro, Onslow Co., N.C., ED 83, r. 975, p. 95, sh. 11A, dw. 193, fam. 197.

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107 ii RACHEL⁴ RIGGS, born about 1848, North Carolina. In 1880 she resided with John H. Canaday who would marry her sister, Mary Jane (q.v.).

108 iii ANN⁴ RIGGS, born about 1851, North Carolina. She’s not listed in the 1860, a puzzle.

+ 109 iv CHRISTOPHER S.³ RIGGS, born about 1852, Onslow Co., N.C., married IDA EVANS, and had 10 children.

110 v DANIEL⁴ RIGGS, born about 1855, North Carolina. He’s not listed in the 1870, so perhaps died young.

+ 111 vi MARY JANE⁴ RIGGS, born about 1858 or 6 June 1854 or 6 June 1855, Onslow Co., N.C., married JOHN H. CANADAY, and had seven children.

112 vii LUCRETIA⁴ RIGGS, born about 1863, North Carolina.
JOHN RIGGS

FOURTH GENERATION

61. WILLIAM JAMES

WILLIAM JAMES RIGGS ( James B. , Noah , John ) was born Sept. 1870 (1900 census) or 30 Sept. 1869 (his father's affidavit of 1898 (q.v.)), North Carolina. He married about 1891 MISSOURI —, born Sept. 1872, North Carolina, and had five children.

In 1900 James Riggs, 29, a farmer born Sept. 1870 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Sixth Twp., Craven Co., N.C., in the same dwelling as his father [q.v.], with his wife of nine years, Missouri, 27, born Sept. 1872 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his sons Eddie, 5, born July 1892, and William H., 4, born Apr. 1896, and daughters, Minnie, 2, born June 1898, and Daisy Lee, 0/12, born May 1900, all born in North Carolina. Missouri had had five children, with four surviving.[144]

Known children, of five:

113  i EDDIE RIGGS, born July 1892, North Carolina.
115  iii MINNIE RIGGS, born June 1898, North Carolina.
116  iv DAISY LEE RIGGS, born May 1900, North Carolina.

62. JOSEPH KINSEY

JOSEPH KINSEY RIGGS ( James B. , Noah , John ) was born about 1875 (1880 census) or Feb. 1876 (1900 census) or 8 Feb. 1876 (grave-stone, draft registration, father's affidavit)[145] or 9 Feb. 1876 (death certificate), Jones Co., N.C., died 5 May 1965, New Bern, Craven Co., N.C.,[146]

144. U.S. census, 1900, Sixth Twp., Craven Co., N.C., ED 47, r. 1190, p. 138, sh. 2A, dw. 26, fam. 27.
146. Death certificate, image online at N.C. Death Certificates, 1909–1976, no. 14833, Joseph Kinsey Riggs, of Dover, Craven Co., N.C., died 5 May 1965, Craven Co. Hospital, New Bern, Craven Co., N.C., aged 89 yrs., male, white, married (spouse Ruby Mercer Riggs), farmer, born 9 Feb. 1876, Jones Co., N.C., father Jim Riggs, mother Mary Mundine, informant Ronald Riggs, of Dover, N.C., buried 6 May 1965, Eubanks Cem., Jones Co., N.C. N.B., A descendant of Joseph Kinsey Riggs has informed me that the informant's information is incorrect. It was Joseph's first wife who had parents Jim [Rhodes] and Mary Mundine. In fact, that is what the sketch actually says. The error in-

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and was buried 6 May 1965 in Eubanks Cem., Jones Co., N.C. He married (1) 26 Oct. 1898, Craven Co., N.C., MARY ELIZABETH RHODES, who was born 20 Nov. 1875 (gravestone) or 25 Nov. 1875 (death certificate), Jones Co., N.C., daughter of Joseph and Mary (Mondine) Rhodes, and died 9 Dec. 1932 (8 Dec. 1932 on gravestone), Pollocksville Twp., Jones Co., N.C., buried 10 Dec. 1932, Eubanks Cem., Jones Co., N.C. He married (2) RUBY MERCER.

In 1900 Joseph Riggs, 24, born Feb. 1876 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Sixth Twp., Craven Co., N.C., in the same dwelling as his father [q.v.], with his wife of two years, Mary E., 24,

duced by this misinformation was to give the wife of James B. Riggs the surname Mundine. Thanks to Richard Phillips, email 18 Jan. 2016. Ruth Riggs, daughter of Joseph Kinsey Riggs was his grandmother.


149. Yes, the same name as her mother-in-law. Richard Phillips, email 19 Jan. 2016, "My Aunt Mary [daughter of Joseph Kinsey Riggs] told me that Joseph Kinsey and Mary Rhodes [his wife] were cousins." In other words, Joseph Rhodes and Mary Elizabeth Rhodes (wife of James B. Riggs) were siblings.

150. An affidavit, sworn by John T. Heath and W. W. Pollock, in Jones Co., N.C., 27 July 1892, states 1. They "know Mary Eliza, daughter of the said Joseph Rhodes by his former wife Mary Mundine Rhodes," 2. “that the said Mary Mundine Rhodes wife of the said Joseph Rhodes and mother of the said Mary Eliza died about four (4) years before the said Joseph Rhodes died,” 3. “that the said Joseph Rhodes died November the 10th 1880,” 4. “that they knew the said Alice Rhodes' husband Joseph Rhodes,” 5. “that they know Mrs. Alice Rhodes now living in Kinston, N.C.” Digital photocopy courtesy of Richard Phillips, email of 19 Jan. 2016. So Joseph Rhodes had two wives: (1) Mary Mundine, (2) Alice —.


153. From his death certificate (q.v.).
John Riggs

born Nov. 1875 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his son, Courtney Lee, [2?]12, born Sept. 1899 in North Carolina, and his sister, Bertha Philips, 19, born June 1880 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, single. Mary E. (Jr.) had had one child, and it survived.\[^{154}\]

In 1910 Joseph K. Riggs, 34, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Seventh Twp., Craven Co., N.C., with his wife of 12 years, Mary, 34, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his son, “Coutney,” 11, daughter, Catherine, 8, son, James, 6, daughters, Mary “E.,” 4, and Ruth, 2, and his father, James B., 70, a widower born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and one boarder. Mary had had five children, and five survived.\[^{155}\]

In 1920 Joseph Riggs, 40, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Seventh Twp., Craven Co., N.C., with his wife, “Mamie,” 38, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his son, “Coutney,” 21, daughter, “Cathrine,” 15, son, James, 14, daughters, Mary, 13, and “Ruthie,” 13, sons, Noah, 8, and “Roynal,” 4, all born in North Carolina. Nearby was W. M. Riggs, and his wife, Avis.\[^{156}\]


Children:

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157. U.S. census, 1930, Pollocksville Twp., Jones Co., N.C., ED 4, r. 1702, p. 206, sh. 5B, dw. 80, fam. 82.
COURTNEY LEE
RIGGS, born 19 Sept. 1899, Craven Co., N.C.,
marrned SULA PHILLIPS, and had at least seven children.

CATHERINE
RIGGS, born about 1902, North Carolina.

JAMES
RIGGS, born about 1904, North Carolina.

MARY FRANCES
RIGGS, born 28 June 1906, Jones Co., N.C., died
1948, New Bern Memorial Cem., New Bern, married 26 Mar. 1926,
Pollocksville, Jones Co., N.C., [159] GABBIE I. COLLINS, born about
1904.

RUTH
RIGGS, born 8 or 10 Aug. 1908, North Carolina, married
GROVER CLEVELAND PHILLIPS, and had at least five children.

NOAH
RIGGS, born about 1912, North Carolina.

RONALD HAYWOOD
RIGGS, born 24 Aug. 1916, North Carolina,
1975, Pinelawn Cem., Kinston, married VELMA BARROW.

JOHN EDWARD
RIGGS (2\George Noah\3, ?Noah F.\2, John\1)[161] was
born 20 May 1867 (gravestone, family record (Figure 4)), Onslow Co.,
N.C., died 30 Nov. 1935, White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., [162] and

158. N.C. Death Certificates, 1909–1976, image online, no. 21308, Mary Frances Collins, of New
Bern, Craven Co., N.C., died 10 Aug. 1958, New Bern, age 52 years, female, white, housewife,
marrned (spouse Gabie I. Collins), born 28 June 1906, Jones Co., N.C., father Joe Riggs, mother
"Mammie" Rhodes, informant Gabie Collines, of New Bern, buried 12 Aug. 1958, New Bern Mem-
orial Cem., New Bern.

159. N.C. Marriage Records, 1741–2011, image online, Jones Co., N.C., Gabie Collins, 22 to Mary
Frances Riggs, 19, both of Jones Co., licensed 20 Mar. 1926, married 26 Mar. 1926, Pollocksville,
by B. P. Eubanks MG, witnesses J. M. Riggs, J. K. Riggs, Annie L. Riggs.

160. Death certificate, North Carolina, no. 40128, Ronald Haywood Riggs, died 15 Nov. 1975,
Lenoir Memorial Hospital, Kinston, Lenoir Co., N.C., age 59 years, male, white, construction
foreman, resident of Dover, Craven Co., N.C., married (spouse Velma Barrow Riggs), SSN 241–
26–3277, born 24 Aug. 1916, N.C., father Joe K. Riggs, mother Mary Rhodes, informant Velma B.
Riggs, of same address, buried 17 Nov. 1975, Pinelawn Cem., Kinston, Lenoir Co., N.C., digital

161. His middle name is from the family record, written by his son Leo.

162. John Edward4 and Mollie Riggs family Bible, Deaths, “John Edward Riggs Died Nov. 30th
1935”; death certificate, image online at N.C. Death Certificates, 1909–1975, no. 377, John E. Riggs,
died 30 Nov. 1935, White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., aged 68 yrs., male, white, married, spouse
Lonnie Riggs, [he] born May 20, [no year], Onslow Co., N.C., father George Riggs, born N.C.,
mother Missouri Littleton, born N.C., informant H. C. Riggs, of Hubert, N.C., buried White Oak,
was buried 2 Dec. 1935, Tabernacle Methodist Church Cem., Onslow Co., N.C.\textsuperscript{163} He married (1) about 1890 MOLLIE/MARY E.\textsuperscript{4} RIGGS (Elijah\textsuperscript{3}), who was born about 1863 (death certificate) or 15 Sept. 1870 (gravestone, 1900 census), died 29 Oct. 1921, age 58, Swansboro Twp., Onslow Co., N.C.,\textsuperscript{164} and was buried 30 Oct. 1921, Tabernacle Methodist Church Cem., Onslow Co., N.C.\textsuperscript{165} He married (2) before the 1930 census MAGGIE CHRISTINE (TROTT) (ODUM) WILLIS, who was born 23 Dec. 1878 (gravestone) or 23 Dec. 1879 (death certificate), North Carolina, daughter of Alex and Christian (Meadows) Trott, and who died 22 Apr. 1934, Kinston, Lenoir Co., N.C.,\textsuperscript{166} and was buried 23 Apr. 1934, Tabernacle Methodist Church Cem., Onslow Co., N.C.\textsuperscript{167}

Maggie had had at least three children by a previous marriage and possibly an adopted daughter (see 1930 census item below). She first married about 1898 Theophilus “Olfie” Odum and had four children.\textsuperscript{168} Theophilus died in 1907.\textsuperscript{169} Then she married, second, a Mr.

\textsuperscript{163} 2 Dec. 1935.
\textsuperscript{166} 166. U.S. census, 1910, Swansboro Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., ED 60, r. 1121, p. 261, sh. 14A, dw. 257, fam. 257, lists Margaret Odum, 31, widow, daughter, Bessie, 9, sons, Ray, 7, and Pickney, 5, 4
Willis, and had at least three more children.\[170\] The children of that marriage match the children she brought to the marriage with John Riggs (and some of them came from the Odum marriage).

In 1900 John Riggs, 40, born May 1860 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in White Oak Twp., Jones Co., N.C., with his wife of 10 years, Mollie, 29, born Sept. 1870 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his daughter, Della, 8, and sons, Herbert, 5, and “Clide,” 2, all born in North Carolina. Mollie had had three children, and all survived. Next door was Mary Dudley, 61.\[171\]

In 1910 John Riggs, 51, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in White Oak Twp., Jones Co., N.C., with his wife of 19 years, Mary, 40, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his daughter, Della, 17, and sons, Herbert, 15, Clyde, 11, “Elmar,” 8, “Lee,” 5, and Robert, 2, all born in North Carolina. Mary had had six children, with six surviving.\[172\]

In 1920 John E. Riggs, 60, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Swansboro Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with his wife, Mollie, 48, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his sons, “Hubberd,” 22, “Elma,” 17, Leo, 14, Robert, 11, and

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Linster, 8, all born in North Carolina. John had first married at 22, and Maggie at 19.\textsuperscript{[173]}

In 1930 John E. Riggs, 62 [sic], a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with his wife, Maggie, 51, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his son, Linster, 18, all born in North Carolina, his stepdaughter, Lizzie M., 19, stepsons, Woodrow, 16, and Henry, 15, and adopted daughter, Exell, 11, all born in North Carolina. John had first married at 22, and Maggie at 19.\textsuperscript{[174]}

Children:

+ 124 i DELLA\textsuperscript{5} RIGGS, born 17 Nov. 1891, Riverdale, Craven Co., N.C., married JOSEPH HIRAM DUDLEY, and had at least five children.

+ 125 ii HERBERT CLINTON\textsuperscript{5} RIGGS, born 2 Jan. 1894, Riverdale, Craven Co., N.C., married MAGGIE EVA BELL, and had no children.

+ 126 iii WILLIAM CLYDE\textsuperscript{5} RIGGS, born 3 Aug. 1898, Lee’s Chapel area, Jones Co., N.C., married LETTIE ELIZABETH JONES, and had five children.

+ 127 iv ELMER KENNETH\textsuperscript{5} RIGGS, born 9 Oct. 1901, Black Swamp, Jones Co., N.C., married WILLIE E. BUCK, and had four children.

+ 128 v LEO VINSON\textsuperscript{5} RIGGS, born 29 Sept. 1904, Black Swamp, Jones Co., N.C. (Figure 1–Figure 4),\textsuperscript{[175]} died 23 Mar. 1989,\textsuperscript{[176]} married 3 Nov. 1934, Trenton, N.C.,\textsuperscript{[177]} RUBY LEE JOHNSON.

+ 129 vi ROBERT GLENN\textsuperscript{5} RIGGS, born 22 Dec. 1907, Black Swamp, Jones Co., N.C. (Figure 1–Figure 4),\textsuperscript{[178]} died 15 May 1973,\textsuperscript{[179]} married 27


\textsuperscript{[175]} John Edward\textsuperscript{4} and Mollie Riggs family Bible, Births, “Leo Vinson Riggs Was born Sep. 29, 1904 Son of John Riggs and his Wife Mollie Riggs”; Leo Vinson\textsuperscript{5} Riggs genealogy, “Leo Vinson Riggs Born Sept. 29-1904-Blackswamp-Jones Co.”

\textsuperscript{[176]} John Edward\textsuperscript{4} and Mollie Riggs family Bible, Deaths, “Leo Vinson Riggs March 23, 1989 2:15 A.M.”

\textsuperscript{[177]} John Edward\textsuperscript{4} and Mollie Riggs family Bible, Marriages, “Leo V. Riggs Son of John Riggs and his Wife Mollie, was married to Ruby Lee Johnson Nov. 3 1934, Trenton, N.C.”

\textsuperscript{[178]} John Edward\textsuperscript{4} and Mollie Riggs family Bible, Births, “Robert Glenn Riggs Was born, Dec. 22, 1907, Son of John Riggs and his Wife Mollie Riggs”; Leo Vinson\textsuperscript{5} Riggs genealogy, “Robert Glenn
Dec. 1932, Rockville, Md., Rose Bibb Suthard. He resided with his brother, Herbert, in the 1930 census.

Linster Gray Riggs, born 1 Apr. 1911, Tabernacle area, Onslow Co., N.C. (Figure 1–Figure 4), died 6 May 1981, Salisbury, N.C., married 5 Aug. 1936, Washington, D.C., Ella Mariba Hickman. He resided with his brother, Clyde, in the 1930 census (q.v.).

66. Ruth Elizabeth Riggs (George Noah, Noah F., John) was born Mar. 1870 (1900 census), Onslow Co., N.C., and died 1954, Trenton, Jones Co., N.C. (family record (Figure 4)). She married about 1897 Christopher Columbus Cumbo, who was born 4 Mar. 1870, Jones Co., N.C., son of James Henry and Sarah E. (Andrews) Cumbo, and who died 7 Oct. 1950, Trenton, Jones Co., N.C., and was buried 8 Oct. 1950, Friendship Church Cem., Trenton, Jones Co., N.C.

In 1900 “Christefer” C. Cumbo, 30, a farmer born May 1870 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Seventh Twp.,

Riggs Born Dec. 22-1907-Blackswamp-Jones Co.”
183. John Edward and Mollie Riggs family Bible, Marriages, “Linster G. Riggs was married to Ella Mariba Hickman Aug. 5, 1936 Washington D.C.”
184. Her first name is from the marriage record for her daughter Corrine.
185. Death certificate, image online at N.C. Death Certificates, 1909–1975, no. 23302, Christopher Columbus Cumbo, of Trenton, Jones Co., N.C., died 7 Oct. 1950, Trenton, aged 80 yrs. 7 mos. 3 dys., male, white, farmer, married, born 4 Mar. 1870, Jones Co., N.C., father James Henry Cumbo, mother Sarah E. Andrews, informant Mrs. Rosa Cumbo Byrum, of Trenton, buried 8 Oct. 1950, Friendship Church Cem., Jones Co., N.C.
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Craven Co., N.C., with his wife of three years, Elizabeth, 30, born Mar. 1870, with the same nativities. Next door was Daniel Riggs, 56.\footnote{187}

In 1920 Christopher C. Cumbo, 50, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Trenton Twp., Jones Co., N.C., with his wife, Elizabeth, 50, with the same nativities, and his son, George H., 17, and daughter, “Rosie” B., 14, both born in North Carolina.\footnote{188}

In 1930 “Christphr” C. Cumbo, 60, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Trenton Twp., Jones Co., N.C., with his wife, Elizabeth, 60, with the same nativities, and with [grand?]son, R[?] Turner, 7, with the same nativities. They were both first married at 27. Nearby was the family of Eugene Mallard, 23, Rosa, 24, Elsie, 2, and Elsie, 2, all born in North Carolina.\footnote{189}

In 1940 Christopher C. Cumbo, 70, a farmer born in North Carolina, resided in Trenton, Jones Co., N.C., with his wife, Elizabeth, 70, born in North Carolina, and with his daughter Rosa B. Mallard, 34, a widow, a seamstress with a WPA project, his grandson “Esli” W., 12, and granddaughter, Elsie M., 12, all born in North Carolina. Christopher and Elizabeth resided in Onslow Co., N.C., in 1935.\footnote{190}

Children:


132 ii GEORGE H.\(^5\) CUMBO, born about 1903, North Carolina.

133 iii ROSA B.\(^5\) CUMBO, born about 1906, North Carolina, married (1) EUGENE MALLARD, and had two children, married (2) — BYRUM.

\footnote{187. U.S. census, 1900, Seventh Twp., Craven Co., N.C., ED 48, r. 1190, p. 124, sh. 18B, dw. 460, fam. 490.}
\footnote{188. U.S. census, 1920, Trenton Twp., Jones Co., N.C., ED 48, r. 1308, p. 57, sh. 13A, dw. 206, fam. 206.}
\footnote{190. U.S. census, 1940, Trenton., Jones Co., N.C., ED 528, r. 2935, p. 68, sh. 6A, dw. 79.}

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67. WILLIAM MACK$^4$ RIGGS (2, George Noah$^3$, Noah P.$^2$, John$^1$) was born
7 Feb. 1875 (gravestone) or 14 Feb. 1875 (birth certificate, and calculated),
Onslow Co., N.C., died 13 Jan. 1940, aged 64 years 10 months 29 days,
Goldsboro, Wayne Co., N.C.,\textsuperscript{192} and was buried 14 Jan. 1940, Conner
Family Cem., Riverdale, Craven Co., N.C.\textsuperscript{193} He married 17 Dec. 1905,
Craven Co., N.C.,\textsuperscript{194} AVIS (HARDISON) SIMPSON, who was born 8
Mar. 1873 (gravestone), North Carolina, died 12 Jan. 1930, and was bur-
ied in the same cemetery as her second husband.\textsuperscript{195} She had first married
George W. Simpson, and had a family.

In 1910 William M. Riggs, 36, born in North Carolina of North
Carolina natives, resided in Craven Co., N.C., with his wife of four
years, Avis, 37, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and
with his “son-in-law,” Lubert [overwrites “Albert” or “Clebert”] Simpson,
9, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, daughter, Birdie
May Riggs, 3, and son, Roy A. Riggs, 17/12, both born in North Caro-
lina.\textsuperscript{196}

In 1920 W. M. Riggs, 46, a farmer born in North Carolina of North
Carolina natives, resided in Brownsville, Craven Co., N.C., with his wife
of four years, Avis, 47, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natures,
and with his daughter, Bertie May Riggs, 12, and sons, Roy A.

\textsuperscript{192} Death certificate, image online at \textit{N.C. Death Certificates}, 1909–1975, no. 279, William Mack
Riggs, of 604 Simmons St., died 13 Jan. 1940, Goldsboro, Goldsboro Twp., Wayne Co., N.C., aged
64 yrs. 10 mos. 29 dys., male, white, widower, spouse Avis Hardison, [he] born 14 Feb. 1875,
Onslow Co., N.C., of unknown parents, retired farmer, informant William A. Riggs, of 604 Sim-
mons, [?] City, buried 14 Jan. 1940, Craven Co., N.C.

\textsuperscript{193} Find a Grave, no. 35246602, gravestone photograph, by Shirley F. Weston, Conner Family

\textsuperscript{194} N.C. Marriage Records, 1741–2011, image online, “[license] Dec 17 1905 [groom and residence]
tery Minister [marriage date] Dec 17 1905 [where] No 7 Township [witnesses] T H Smith Nannie
Smith.”

\textsuperscript{195} Find a Grave, no. 35246581, gravestone photograph, by Shirley F. Weston, Conner Family
Cem., Riverdale, Craven Co., N.C., “Avis Hardison | wife of | W. M. Riggs, | born | Mar. 8, 1873 |
died | Jan. 12, 1930 | [inscription].” Her first husband George W. Simpson is also listed in Find
a Grave with details about his marriage and family.

\textsuperscript{196} U.S. census, 1910, Seventh Twp., Craven Co., N.C., ED 20, r. 1104, p. 138, sh. 2A, dw. 33,
 fam. 33.
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Riggs, 10, and William A., 4, all three born in North Carolina, and with his mother-in-law, Ruth Hardison, 69, a widow born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives.\[197\]

In 1930 Mack Riggs, 55, widower, a lumber mill laborer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in New Bern, Craven Co., N.C., in the household of his son, “Ray,” 21, and his family [q.v.], and also with his daughter, Bertie, 23, single, a dry goods store saleslady born in North Carolina, and his son, William, 14, both born in North Carolina. Mack was first married at age 29.\[198\]

Children:

134  i  BIRDIE/BERTIE MAY\(^5\) RIGGS, born about 1907, North Carolina.

+ 135  ii  ROY ALTON\(^5\) RIGGS, born about 1908, North Carolina, married LAURA MAE HAGOOD, and had at least six children.

136  iii  WILLIAM A.\(^5\) RIGGS, born about 1916, North Carolina. He was informant on William Mack’s death certificate.

76. CHARLIE FINLEY\(^4\) RIGGS (\(2\)George Noah\(^3\), Noah F.\(^2\), John\(^1\)) was born 25 May 1914, Craven Co., N.C.,\[199\] died 3 Mar. 1956, New Bern, Craven Co., N.C.,\[200\] and was buried 4 Mar. 1956, Stokes Cem., Pitt Co., N.C. He married (1) 14 May 1932, New Bern, Craven Co., N.C.,\[201\] MARY LEE WILLIAMS, who was born about 1911, daughter of D. S.

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199. U.S. WWII Draft Cards Young Men, 1940–1947, image online, Charlie (no middle name) Riggs, 26, of Verona, Onslow Co., N.C., born 25 May 1914, Craven Co., N.C., name of person who will always know your address Mrs. Mary Lee Riggs, wife, of Verona.
201. N.C. Marriage Records, 1741–2011, image online, Charlie Finley Riggs, 18, of Dover, son of George Riggs (deceased) and Mary Riggs, resident of Dover, to Mary Lee Williams, 21, of Dover, daughter of D. S. Williams, of Dover, and Sarah Williams (deceased), 14 May 1932, New Bern, Craven Co., N.C., by R. H. Kehoe JP.
and Sarah (—) Williams. He married (2) 28 Mar. 1953, New Bern,\textsuperscript{[202]} ANNA TRHLIK, born about 1905, daughter of Englebert and Mary (Kubik) Trhlik.

In 1940 Charlie Riggs, 28, a farm hand born in North Carolina, resided in Craven Co., N.C., with his wife, “Mamie,” 27, born in North Carolina, and his son, Charlie Jr., 6, daughter, Mamie Jean, 4, and son, Ray, 2, all born in North Carolina. They resided in the same house in 1935. Ray Riggs’s parents were both born in North Carolina.\textsuperscript{[203]}

Children:

137  i  **CHARLIE* Riggs Jr.**, born about 1934, North Carolina.

96. LEVI ASA* Riggs (\textsuperscript{3}Bazel Murrill*\textsuperscript{3}, Asa Noah*\textsuperscript{2}, John*\textsuperscript{1}) was born 10 Mar. 1878 or 1879, North Carolina,\textsuperscript{[204]} died 3 May 1957, Jacksonville, Onslow Co., N.C.,\textsuperscript{[205]} and was buried 5 May 1957, Grants Creek Cem. (death certificate), Maysville, Jones Co., N.C., or Riggs Family Cem., Hubert, Onslow Co., N.C.\textsuperscript{[206]} He married 26 Dec. 1899, Pollocksville, Jones Co., N.C.,\textsuperscript{[207]} HESTER RIGGS, who was born 9 May 1880 or 1881.

\textsuperscript{202} Marriage license and certificate, image online on <Ancestry.com>, Charlie Riggs, 40, of Cove City, N.C., son of George Riggs (deceased) and Mary White Riggs, resident of Dover, N.C., to Anna Trhllik, 48, of Cove City, daughter of Englebert Trhlik and Mary Kubik Trhlik (both deceased), 28 Mar. 1953, New Bern, Craven Co., N.C., by a JP.

\textsuperscript{203} U.S. census, 1940, Craven Co., N.C., ED 24-11, r. 2894, p. 132, sh. 13B, dw. 230.

\textsuperscript{204} WWI Draft Registration Cards, 1917–1918, Levi Asa Riggs, 39, of Maysville, Jones Co., N.C., born 10 Mar. 1879, nearest relative Hester Riggs, of same address, registered 12 Sept. 1918, Jacksonville, Onslow Co., N.C.


\textsuperscript{206} Find a Grave, no. 15920365, gravestone photograph, by Linda Searcy Van Dyke, Riggs Family Cem., Hubert, Onslow Co., N.C., “Levi Asa Riggs | Mar. 10, 1878 | May 3 1957 | . . .”

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Jones Co., N.C., daughter of Harvey and Myra (—) Riggs, and died 1 Nov. 1941, White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., and was buried 2 Nov. 1941, Riggs Cem., near her husband.

In 1900 “Asie” L. Riggs, 21, a farmer born Mar. 1879 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in White Oaks Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with his wife of zero years, Hester, 18, born May 1882 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives. She had had no children.


In 1920 Levi A. Riggs, 41, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in White Oaks Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with his wife, Hester, 39, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with daughter, Myrtle M., 15, and sons, Burrus M., 14, and Leo V., 12, and daughters, Leona, 5 3/12, and Lina B., 2 7/12, all born in North Carolina. A son Clarence E., 18, is crossed out. Nearby were Lanza J. Riggs, 54, “Basil” M. Riggs, 75, and Daniel F. Riggs, 36.

Co., to Hester Riggs, 18, of Jones Co., daughter of “Harey” Riggs and “Mirah” Riggs, father dead, mother living and residing in Jones Co., married 26 Dec. 1899, her mother's house, Pollocksville Twp., Jones Co., N.C., by R. N. White MG.


209. Find a Grave, no. 15920365, gravestone photograph, by Linda Searcy Van Dyke, Riggs Family Cem., Hubert, Onslow Co., N.C., “Hester | Wife of L. A. Riggs | May 9, 1880 | Nov. 1, 1941 | . . .”


211. U.S. census, 1910, Pollocksville, Jones Co., N.C., ED 48, r. 1119, p. 39, sh. 6A, dw. 110, fam. 111.


In 1940 Levi A. Riggs, 62, a farmer born in North Carolina, resided in White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with his wife, Hester, 60, born in North Carolina, and with daughter, Leona, 23, and son, Odell, 17, both born in North Carolina. They had resided in the same house in 1935. Nearby were Burrus Riggs, 34, Earl Riggs, 27, and “Dan” F. Riggs, 56.[214]

Known children, of 10:

140  i  **MYRTLE M.** RIGGS, born about 1905, North Carolina.
141  ii  **BURRUS M.** RIGGS, born about 1907, North Carolina, married **RUTH** —, and had at least one child.
   In 1940 Burrus Riggs, 34, a farm laborer born in North Carolina, resided in White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with his wife, Ruth, 25, born in North Carolina, and with his son, Orbra G., 2/12 [crossed out], born in North Carolina. Burrus had resided in the same house in 1935, and Ruth in Onslow Co. Nearby were Earl Riggs, 27, “Dan” F. Riggs, 56, and Levi A. Riggs, 62.[215]
142  iii  **LEO V.** RIGGS, born about 1908, North Carolina.
143  iv  **LEONA** RIGGS, born about 1915, North Carolina.
144  v  **LINA BELL** RIGGS, born about 1917, North Carolina, married[216] **— HUMPHREY**.
145  vi  **ESTELLE** RIGGS, born about 1920, North Carolina.

97. DANIEL FRANKLIN RIGGS (30 Bazel Murrill, Asa Noah, John) was born 11 May 1883, Onslow Co., N.C., died 14 May 1963, Maysville, White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., and was buried in the Riggs Family Cem., Hubert, Onslow Co., N.C. He married 31 Dec. 1902, Onslow Co., N.C., AGNES JANE BARBER, who was born 7 Aug. 1885 (gravestone), North Carolina, daughter of R. F. and Sallie (—) Barber, and died 23 Nov. 1973, and was buried with her husband.


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Pearl, 2 5/12, and Alma, 6/12, all born in North Carolina. Nearby were Lanza J. Riggs, 54, “Basil” M. Riggs, 75, and Levi A. Riggs, 41.\[221\]

In 1930 Daniel F. Riggs, 46, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in White Oaks Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with his wife, Agnes, 44, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with sons, Leon, 21, Robert, 19, and Earl, 17, and daughters, “Ludy,” 14, Pearl, 13, Alma, 11, Stacy, 5, and Josephene, 1 4/12, all born in North Carolina. Daniel was 20 at first marriage, and Agnes, 18. Nearby were John W. Riggs, 30, and Levi A. Riggs, 51.\[222\]

In 1940 “Dan” F. Riggs, 56, a retail grocer born in North Carolina, resided in White Oaks Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with his wife, Agnes, 54, born in North Carolina, and with son, Stacy, 14, and daughter, Josephene, 11, both born in North Carolina. They had resided in the same house in 1935. Nearby were Burrus Riggs, 34, Earl Riggs, 27, and Levi A. Riggs, 62.\[223\]

Known children:

147 i **LENA M.** \[^{6}\] **RIGGS**, born about 1904, North Carolina.


149 iii **LEON** \[^{6}\] **RIGGS**, born about 1909, North Carolina.

150 iv **BAZEL ROBERT** [or **ROBERT BAZEL**] \[^{6}\] **RIGGS**, born 30 Aug. 1910, Onslow Co., N.C., died 9 Apr. 1986, Stella, Carteret Co., N.C.,\[^{225}\]

\[^{221}\] U.S. census, 1920, White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., ED 60, r. 1311, p. 286, sh. 16A, dw. 270, fam. 270.


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buried 11 Apr. 1986, Morris Family Cem., Stella, married HAZEL MORRIS.


In 1940 Earl Riggs, 27, a farmer born in North Carolina, resided in White Oaks Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with his wife, Julia S., 27, born in North Carolina, and with his daughter, Eunice C., 4, and son, Kenneth E., 1, both born in North Carolina. They had resided in the same house in 1935. Nearby were Burrus Riggs, 34, “Dan” F. Riggs, 56, and Levi A. Riggs, 62.[227] There are several more Riggses on the next page of the census.

vi LYDIA⁶ RIGGS, born about 1915, North Carolina.

vii PEARL ELIZABETH⁶ RIGGS, born about 1918, North Carolina, died 6 Apr. 1964, Jacksonville, Onslow Co., N.C.,[228] married — RAMSEY.

viii ALMA VIDA⁶ RIGGS, born 9 Aug. 1919, Onslow Co., N.C.[229]


105. ZENNIE LAWRENCE RIGGS (*George Noah, Noah F., John*) was born 21 Sept. 1894, Maysville, Jones Co., N.C., died 25 Feb. 1934, New Bern, Craven Co., N.C., and was buried 26 Feb. 1934, Riggs Family Cem., Hubert, Onslow Co., N.C. He married 16 Nov. 1921, Tranton, Jones Co., N.C., DAISY IRENE RIGGS (James Russell, Michael R.) who was born 22 Apr. 1899, North Carolina, daughter of James Russell

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and Zilphia Irene (Askew) Riggs, and who died 8 Mar. 1993, Onslow Co., N.C.,[238] and was buried in Riggs Family Cem., Hubert, Onslow Co., N.C.[239]

In 1930 “Zenie” L. Riggs, 34, an insurance agent born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in New Bern, Craven Co., N.C., with his wife, Daisy, 31, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and his son, “Zenie” L. Jr., 7, and daughter, Daisy I. 5, both born in North Carolina. Zennie was 27 at first marriage, and Daisy was 22.[240]

In 1940 Daisy Riggs, 40, a widow farmer born in North Carolina, resided in White Oak Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with her son, Zennie L., 17, and daughter, “Irine,” 15, both born in North Carolina. They resided in the same house in 1935. Next door was Major Riggs, 56.[241]

Children:

+ 157 i Zennie Lawrence Riggs Jr., born 19 Oct. 1922, Craven Co., N.C., married Sybil Maria Morton, and had four children.

158 ii Daisy Irene Riggs, born about 1925, North Carolina.

106. John B. Riggs (35Isaac L. 3, David 2, John 1) was born 7 Sept. 1844, Hubert, N.C., died 8 June 1923, aged 78 years, Swansboro Twp., Onslow Co., N.C.,[243] and was buried 9 June 1923, Hubert. He married 28 Nov.
1872, Onslow Co., N.C.,[243] HENRIETTA WILLIS, who was born about 1851, North Carolina, probably daughter of Nancy Willis.

In 1880 John B. Riggs, 32, a farmer, resided in Swansboro Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with his wife, “Henretta,” 29, daughter, Ora, 5, son, Edgar, 4, and daughter, Mary J., 1, all born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives. In the same dwelling was Nancy Willis, 64, widow, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, presumably Henrietta’s mother. Next door was John’s mother Jane (q.v.).[244]

In 1920 John B. Riggs, 74, a widower, a brick mason born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Swansboro, Onslow Co., N.C.. Next door was [his brother] Christopher S. Riggs, 67, a house carpenter born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives.[245]

Known children:

159  i  ORA⁵ RIGGS, a daughter, born about 1875, North Carolina.
160  ii  EDGAR⁵ RIGGS, born about 1876, North Carolina.
161  iii  MARY J.⁵ RIGGS, born about 1879, North Carolina.

109. CHRISTOPHER S.⁴ RIGGS (₁Isaac L, David, John) was born about 1852, Onslow Co., N.C., died 29 Apr. 1934, age 82, Wilmington, New Hanover Co., N.C.,[246] and was buried 30 Apr. 1934, Bellevue, xxx. He married 23 Dec. 1875, in the home of the bride’s father in Town Creek, Brunswick Co., N.C.,[247] IDA EVANS, who was born about 1854, daughter of J. B. Evans, and who predeceased Christopher.

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[247] Marriage license and certificate, images online at N.C. Marriage Records, 1741–2011, Mr. C. S. Riggs, 23, of Brunswick Co., white, son of “mother living in Onslow County, father dead,” to Miss
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In 1880 Christopher Riggs, 25, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Town Creek, Brunswick Co., N.C., with his wife, Ida, 23, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and his daughter, Idella, 3/12, born Sept. in North Carolina, and one black servant.[248]


In 1910 Christopher S. Riggs, 56, a carpentry contractor born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Delgade Pct., Harnett Twp., New Hanover Co., N.C., with his wife of 30 [sic] years, Ida, 52, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, with his daughter, Daisy L., 27, single, son, Grover L., 17, and daughter, Fannie, 15, all born in North Carolina. Ida had had nine children, with seven surviving.[250]

In 1920 Christopher S. Riggs, 67, a house carpenter born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Swansboro, Onslow Co., N.C., married. Next door was [his brother] John B. Riggs, 74, a widower, a brick mason born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives.[251]

Known children, of 10:

Ida Evans, 21, of Town Creek, white, daughter of “J. B. Evans and both father & mother living,” of Town Creek, license 11 Dec. 1875, married [he listed here as C. D. Riggs] 23 Dec. 1875 “at the house of J. B. Evans, in Town Creek N.C.,” by A. A. Edwards MG.


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111. MARY JANE⁴ RIGGS (Isaac L³, David², John¹) was born about 1858 (1860 census) or 6 June 1854 (death certificate) or 6 June 1855 (gravestone), Onslow Co., N.C., died 8 Jan. 1941, Swansboro, Onslow Co., N.C., buried 9 Jan. 1941, Piney Grove Baptist Church Cem., near Swansboro. She married (his second) about 1881 JOHN H. CANADAY, who was born 22 Mar. 1843 (gravestone), died 12 July 1925, and was buried next to his wife.

In 1880 John H. Canaday, 37, widower, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Swansboro Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with sons [of his first marriage], [C?]ader C., 8, Willie, 7, and Elijah, 5, all born in North Carolina, and with Rachel Riggs, 31, single, and William E. Riggs, 1, [perhaps out of wedlock?], both born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives. [The relationship for Rachel and William is difficult to read, but it looks like “Inmate”?!]. I stepped through several pages but did not find another example of this relationship.]²⁵⁴


In 1900 John Canaday, 46 [sic], a farmer born Mar. 1855 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Swansboro Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., with his wife of 19 years, Mary J., 43, born Dec. 1856 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, with son, Henry J., 17, born July 1882, daughter, Mary J., 14, born Apr. 1886, son, Daniel W., 11, born Feb. 1889, daughter, Theodora, 7, born June 1892, and son, Everett E., 3, born July 1896, all born in North Carolina. Mary had had seven children, with six surviving. Next door was James Riggs, 32, and his family.\textsuperscript{255}

Known children, of seven:

\begin{itemize}
\item[i] Henry J.\textsuperscript{5} Canaday, born July 1882, North Carolina.
\item[ii] Mary J.\textsuperscript{5} Canaday, born Apr. 1886, North Carolina.
\item[iii] Daniel W.\textsuperscript{5} Canaday, born Feb. 1889, North Carolina.
\item[iv] Theodora\textsuperscript{5} Canaday, born June 1892, North Carolina.
\item[v] Everett E.\textsuperscript{5} Canaday, born July 1896, North Carolina.
\end{itemize}

\textsuperscript{255} U.S. census, 1900, Swansboro Twp., Onslow Co., N.C., ED 83, r. 1209, p. 87, sh. 3B, dw. 58, fam. 59. James resided in dw. 58.
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117. COURTNEY LEE\(^3\) RIGGS (\(^6\)Joseph Kinsey\(^4\), George\(^3\), ?Noah\(^2\), ?John\(^1\)) was born 19 Sept. 1899, Craven Co., N.C.,\[256\] died 4 Jan. 1967, and was buried in Greenleaf Memorial Park, Trent Woods, Craven Co., N.C.\[257\] He married 5 Feb. 1920, Pollocksville Twp., Jones Co., N.C.,\[258\] SULA PHILLIPS,\[259\] who was born 18 Oct. 1898 (gravestone), North Carolina, daughter of Wesley/West P./B. and Elanda/Eleann/Ellendon (–) Phillips, and died 16 Jan. 1991, and was buried with her husband. Sula was sister of Grover Cleveland Phillips, husband of Courtney’s sister Ruth\(^5\) (Riggs) Phillips.

In 1900 Wesley B. Phillips, 30, a farmer born Mar. 1870 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Pollocksville Twp., Jones Co., N.C., with his wife of nine years, Ellendon, 30, born Mar. 1870 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and his daughters, Dora, 6, born Nov. 1893, Allie, 3, born July 1896, and twins, Sula and Sudie, 1, born Oct. 1898, and brother, Stephen, 21, born Oct. 1878, all born in North Carolina. Ellendon had had four children, with four surviving.\[260\]

\[256\] US WWII Draft Cards Young Men, 1940–1947, Courtney Lee Riggs, of RFD 1, Maysville, Onslow Co., N.C., 42, born 19 Sept. 1899, Craven Co., N.C., name and address of person who will always know your address Mrs. “Sular” Riggs, Maysville, employer Mr. Jessie Jones, Kinston, N.C.
\[259\] Email Richard\(^7\) Phillips, 23 Jan. 2016, “Courtney would marry my grandfathers sister Sula (Sue-La) Phillips.”
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In 1930 “Centney” Riggs, 29, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Pollocksville Twp., Jones Co., N.C., with his wife, “Sular,” 31, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his daughters, “Den[?]lon,” 6, Mamie L., 5, and Mary E., 3 ?/12, and son, “Certney” Jr., 1 ?/12, all born in North Carolina. Certney was 29 at first marriage, and Sula was 31. On the same page is Joseph Riggs, 54.[261]

In 1940 Courtney Riggs, 40, a farmer born in North Carolina, resided in Pollocksville, Jones Co., N.C., with his wife, Sula, 41, born in North Carolina, and with his daughters, Doris, 19, Mamie, 15, sons, Courtney Jr., 11, Vernon Dalhart, 9, and daughters, Shirley Fay, 6, and Thelma Joyce, 4, all born in North Carolina. All of the same place in 1935. Next door were William Riggs, 54, and Robert Riggs, 28, and their families.[262]

Known children:

175 i DORIS MAY 6 RIGGS, born 15 Sept. 1922, Pollocksville Twp., Jones Co., N.C.[263]
176 ii MAMIE L. 6 RIGGS, born about 1925, North Carolina.
177 iii MARY E. 6 RIGGS, born about 1927, North Carolina. Not listed in the 1940 with the family.
178 iv COURTNEY LEE 6 RIGGS JR., born 4 June 1928, Pollocksville Twp., Jones Co., N.C.[264]

261. U.S. census, 1930, Pollocksville Twp., Jones Co., N.C., ED 4, p. 1702, sh. 5B, dw. 73, fam. 75.
262. U.S. census, 1940, Pollocksville, Jones Co., N.C., ED 52-6, p. 2935, sh. ?, dw. 34.
266. N.C. Birth Indexes, 1800–2000, image online, Jones Co., “[date] 6 30 33 [name] Riggs, Shirley

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In 1920 West P. “Philips,” 51, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Pollocksville Twp., Jones Co., N.C.,...
with his wife, Annie R., 41, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and his daughters, Allie, 23, and Sula, 21, son, Cleveland, 19, and daughter, Meda B., 1, all born in North Carolina.\[273\]

In 1930 Cleveland Phillips, 29, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Pollocksville Twp., Jones Co., N.C., with his wife, Ruth, 26, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his son, Grover, 3 1/12, born in North Carolina. Cleveland was 25 at first marriage, and Ruth was 17.\[274\]

In 1940 Grover C. Phillips, 39, a farmer born in North Carolina, resided in rural Craven Co., N.C., with his wife, Ruth, 31, born in North Carolina, and with his son, Grover, 13, daughters, Dorothy, 9, Mary, 7, sons, Wilroy, 4, and Charles, 10/12, all born in North Carolina. They had resided in Craven Co., N.C., in 1935.\[275\]

Known children:


An obituary for her:

Mary Phillips Dixon, 83, long time resident of New Bern died January 14, 2016 at Wake Medical Center in Raleigh, NC from her long battle with Alzheimer’s disease.

Mary was born September 28, 1932 to the late Grover and Ruth Phillips. On August 20, 1948, she was married to Osbie Norwood Dixon (Dick), who preceded her death.

Visitation will be at Pollock-Best Funeral Chapel from 1:00 pm Sunday, January 17, 2016 with services to follow at 2:00 pm with Rev. Jeff Davis officiating. Burial will be at Cedar Grove Cemetery.

She is survived by a daughter, Donna G. Thomas and husband Gerald (Jerry) Thomas, Jr.; grandchildren, Mark Tyler Thomas and wife Melissa, Lyndsay Crystal Loveland and husband Jason Loveland, and Mary Kate Thomas; also five great-grandchildren, Mark Tyler Thomas, Jr, Sawyer James Loveland, Osbie Gray Thomas, Peyton Elizabeth Purser and Thatcher Norwood Loveland.

iv WILROY⁶ PHILLIPS, born 22 Apr. 1936, Pollocksville, Jones Co., N.C.

v CHARLES⁶ PHILLIPS, born about 1939, North Carolina.

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124. DELLA RIGGS (John Edward, George, ?Noah, ?John) was born 17 Nov. 1891, Riverdale, Craven Co., N.C. (Figure 1–Figure 4), died 29 Mar. 1934, White Oak Twp., Jones Co., N.C., and was buried 30 Mar. 1934, Dudley Family Cem., Maysville, Jones Co., N.C. She married 21


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In 1920 Hiram Dudley, 29, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in White Oak Twp., Jones Co., N.C., with his wife, Della, 28, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his son, Thelbert, 6, and daughter, Clara Bell, 3 4/12, both born in North Carolina.[295]

In 1930 Hiram Dudley, 45, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in White Oak Twp., Jones Co., N.C., with his wife, Della, 39, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his son, Thelbert, 17, daughter, Clara B., 14, son, Ray, 10, daughter, Irene, 6, and son, Vernon H., 3 1/12, all born in North Carolina. Hiram was 21 at first marriage, and Della was 20.[296]

In 1940 “Hiran” Dudley, 52, a widower farmer born in North Carolina, resided in White Oak Twp., Jones Co., N.C., with his sons, Ray, 19, and Howard, 14, both born in North Carolina, his son-in-law, Ira Meadows, 35, born in North Carolina, his daughter “Clarabel,” 28, and his grandsons, Everett L., 10, James, 5, and Allen B., 2, all born in North Carolina. They were in the same house in 1935.[297]

Children:

Children:

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188  i  THELBERT\textsuperscript{d} DUDLEY, born about 1914, North Carolina.
189  ii  CLARA BELL\textsuperscript{e} DUDLEY, born about 1917, North Carolina, married IRA MEADOWS, and had at least three children: (1) Everett L.\textsuperscript{7} Dudley, born about 1930, North Carolina; (2) James\textsuperscript{7} Dudley, born about 1935, North Carolina; and (3) Allen B.\textsuperscript{7} Dudley, born about 1938, North Carolina.
190  iii  RAY\textsuperscript{d} DUDLEY, born about 1920, North Carolina.
191  iv  IRENE DUDLEY, born about 1924, North Carolina.
192  v  VERNON HOWARD\textsuperscript{d} DUDLEY, born about 1927, North Carolina.

125. HERBERT CLINTON\textsuperscript{5} RIGGS (\textit{John Edward}\textsuperscript{4}, George\textsuperscript{3}, 'Noah'\textsuperscript{2}, 'John') was born 2 Jan. 1894 (Figure 1–Figure 4),\textsuperscript{298} Riverdale, Craven Co., N.C., died 2 June 1973, age 79, Jacksonville, Onslow Co., N.C.,\textsuperscript{300} and was buried 4 June 1973, Onslow Memorial Park, Jacksonville. He married 1 Jan. 1922, Jacksonville, Onslow Co., N.C.,\textsuperscript{301} MAGGIE EVA BELL, who was born about 1903, North Carolina.

In 1930 Herbert Riggs, 35, a street railway motorman born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Chevy Chase, Montgomery Co., Md., with his wife, Maggie, 28, born in North Carolina of

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298. John Edward\textsuperscript{4} and Mollie Riggs family Bible, Births, “Herbert Riggs Was born Jan. 2, 1894, Son of John Riggs and his Wife Mollie Riggs”; Leo Vinson\textsuperscript{5} Riggs genealogy, “Herbert Clinton Riggs—Born Jan. 2-1894—Riverdale N.C.”
299. WWI Draft Registration Cards, 1917–1918, Herbert Clifton Riggs, 21, of Maysville, James Co., N.C.,\textsuperscript{299} died 2 June 1973, age 79, Jacksonville, Onslow Co., N.C.,\textsuperscript{300} and was buried 4 June 1973, Onslow Memorial Park, Jacksonville. He married 1 Jan. 1922, Jacksonville, Onslow Co., N.C.,\textsuperscript{301} MAGGIE EVA BELL, who was born about 1903, North Carolina.

301. John Edward\textsuperscript{4} and Mollie Riggs family Bible, Marriages, “Herbert C. Riggs, Son of John Riggs and his wife was married Jan 1° 1922 to Maggie E. Bell Jacksonville, N.C.”; N.C. Marriage Records, 1741–2011, image online, Herbert C. Riggs, 24, of Onslow Co., to Maggie Eva Bell, 20, 1 Jan. 1922, Swansboro, Onslow Co., N.C., licensed 29 Dec. 1921, by I. N. Henderson MG, with three witnesses
North Carolina natives, and his brother, Robert, 22, with same nativities, and one boarder.\[302\]

In 1940 Herbert Riggs, 44, a farmer born in North Carolina, resided in Swansboro, Onslow Co., N.C., with his wife, Maggie E., 37, born in North Carolina. They were in the same house in 1935.\[303\]

126. WILLIAM CLYDE\[^5\] RIGGS (\(^6\)John E.\(^4\), George\(^3\), ?Noah\(^2\), ?John\(^1\)) was born 3 Aug. 1898, Lee’s Chapel area, Jones Co., N.C. (Figure 1–Figure 4),\[304\] died 5 Aug. 1986, Middleburg, Clay Co., Fla.,\[305\] and was buried in Oakdale Cem., Wilmington, New Hanover Co., N.C.\[306\] He married April 1924, Swansboro, Onslow Co., N.C.,\[307\] LETTIE ELIZABETH JONES,\[308\] who was born 17 June 1902, Swansboro, Onslow Co., N.C., daughter of Isaac H. and Jimmie (Guthrie) Jones, and died 23 Jan. 1965, Wilmington, New Hanover Co., N.C.,\[309\] and was buried 25 Jan. 1965, Oakdale Cem., Wilmington.\[310\]


\[^{303}\] U.S. census, 1940, Swansboro, Onslow Co., N.C., ED 67-13, r. 2935, p. 192, sh. 13B, dw. 244.


\[^{307}\] John Edward\(^4\) and Mollie Riggs family Bible, Marriages, “Clyde Riggs Married Lettie Jones Swansboro, N.C. April 192[2 overwritten with 4 or vice versa] 1924.”

\[^{308}\] Her middle name from birth record of her daughter, Mary.


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In 1930 “Clyde W.” Riggs, 30, a file clerk with a steam railroad born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Wilmington, New Hanover Co., N.C., with his wife, Lettie E., 26, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and his sons, Clyde W. Jr., 5, and “Morris,” 4 5/12, daughter, Mary E., 3 1/12, and brother, Lenster, 19, all born in North Carolina. Clyde was 23 at first marriage, and Lettie was 19.[311]

In 1940 William C. Riggs, 40, a steam railroad clerk born in North Carolina, resided in Wilmington, New Hanover Co., N.C., with his wife, “Letties,” 37, born in North Carolina, and his sons, William Jr., 15, and “Morriss,” 14, and daughters, Mary E., 13, and Janice, 6, all born in North Carolina. They resided in the same place in 1935.[312]

Children:


+ 194 ii JULIAN MAURICE6 RIGGS, born 5 Oct. 1925, Wilmington, New Hanover Co., N.C., married THELMA GRAHAM WARTERS, and had at least two children.

195 iii MARY ELIZABETH6 RIGGS, born 8 Feb. 1927, New Hanover Co., N.C.[315]


127. ELMER KENNETH⁵ RIGGS (♂John E.⁴, George³, Noah², John¹) was born 9 Oct. 1901, Black Swamp, Jones Co., N.C. (Figure 1–Figure 4), died 23 Nov. 1964, Newport, Carteret Co., N.C., and was buried 25 Nov. 1964, Bay View Cem., Morehead City, N.C. He married 20 Feb. 1926, Trenton, Jones Co., N.C., WILLIE E. BUCK, who was born about 1907, North Carolina.

In 1930 E. K. Riggs, 28, a log woods laborer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Bogue, White Oak Twp., Carteret Co., N.C., with his wife, Willie E., 22, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and his daughters, Virginia L., 2, and “Elma” E., 11/12, both born in North Carolina. E. K. was 24 at first marriage, and Willie was 18.

In 1940 Elmer Riggs, 38, a farmer born in North Carolina, resided in White Oak Twp., Carteret Co., N.C., with his wife, Willie, 32, born in North Carolina, and his daughters, Virginia Lee, 12, and Elmer Estelle.

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10, and sons, Kenneth Neil, 7, and Robert Cla[rr?]ie, 4, all born in North Carolina. They resided in the same house in 1935.[322]

Children:

198 i VIRGINIA LEE⁶ RIGGS, born about 1928, North Carolina.
199 ii ELMER ESTELLÉ⁶ RIGGS, born about 1930, North Carolina.
200 iii KENNETH NEIL⁶ RIGGS, born about 1933, North Carolina.
201 iv ROBERT CLA[RR?]IE⁶ RIGGS, born about 1936, North Carolina.


In 1930 “Ray” Riggs, 21, a barber born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in New Bern, Craven Co., N.C., with his wife, Laura, 23, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his daughters, “Bettie,” 2, and Elsie, 3/12, both born in North Carolina, his father, Mack, 55, widower, a lumber mill laborer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, his sister, Bertie, 23, single, a dry goods store saleslady born in North Carolina, and his brother, William, 14,

324. His son, Edward Lee⁶ Riggs, email 14 Aug. 2015, states, “My father Roy Altom Riggs was born 8-14-1909. My mother told me that he was 17 when they got married on 12-24-1926, he moved his age up three years and she lowered hers by two years. When she was 62 and applied for social security, she had to get proof of her real age.”
325. N.C. Marriage Records, 1741–2011, image online, marriage license, no. 6576, New Bern, Craven Co., 16 Dec. 1926, Roy A. Riggs, of New Bern, 21, white, son of W. M. Riggs and Avis Riggs, both living in New Bern, to Laura Mae Hagood, of New Bern, 20, daughter of L. J. Hagood and Mattie Hagood, both living in Tampa, Fla., marriage certificate, “I Austin O. Bada, a Baptist Minister united in matrimon[y] Roy A Riggs and Laura Mae Hagood the parties licensed above, on the 24th day of December 1926, at New Bern North Carolina in No. 8 Township in said County, according to law.
both with the same nativities as his. Roy was first married at age 18, Laura at age 20, and Mack at age 29.\[326\

In 1940 Roy A. Riggs, 33, a barber born in North Carolina, resided in New Bern, Craven Co., N.C., with his wife, Laura H., 33, born in Georgia, daughters, Betty June, 12, and E. “Kathryn,” 10, sons, Roy A. Jr., 7, William B., 5, and Edward L., 4, and daughter, Sue “Carroll,” 6/12, all born in North Carolina. They resided in the same house in 1935.\[327\

Children:\[328\]

202  i  **BETTY JUNE**\(^6\) RIGGS, born 26 Feb. 1928, North Carolina.
203  ii  **ELSIE KATHLEEN**\(^6\) RIGGS, born 20 Jan. 1930, North Carolina.
204  iii  **ROY ALTON**\(^6\) RIGGS JR., born 9 Sept. 1932, North Carolina.
205  iv  **WILLIAM BENJAMIN**\(^6\) RIGGS, born 24 Sept. 1934, North Carolina.
206  v  **EDWARD LEE**\(^6\) RIGGS, born 11 Mar. 1936, North Carolina. He is a contributor to the Riggs/Rigg DNA Study Group, and my correspondent on this family. His genetic signature matches exactly, on its first 12 markers, the 12-marker signature of Julian/Jason Maurice\(^7\) Riggs (\(19\) Julian Maurice\(^6\), William Clyde\(^5\), John E.\(^4\), George\(^3\)).
207  vi  **SUE CAROL**\(^6\) RIGGS, born 21 Sept. 1939, North Carolina.

157. **ZENNIE LAWRENCE**\(^6\) RIGGS JR.\(^{105}\), †, ?George Noah\(^3\), ?Noah F.\(^2\), John\(^1\) was born 19 Oct. 1922 (gravestone), Craven Co., N.C.,\[329\] died 17 June 1996, Durham, Durham Co., N.C.,\[330\] and was buried in Riggs Family Cem., Hubert, Onslow Co., N.C.;\[331\] He married 22 Nov. 1952,

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328. Email 14 Aug. 2015 from Edward Lee\(^6\) Rigg, “Their [his parents’] children was Betty Rigg, 02-26-1928, Elsie Kathleen Rigg, 01-20-1930, Roy Rigg, Jr.09-09-1932 William Benjamin Rigg, 09-24-1934, Edward Lee Rigg, 03-11-1936 Sue Carol Rigg, 09-21-1939.”
JOHN RIGGS

Onslow Co., N.C.,[332] SYBIL MARIA MORTON, who was born about 1933, daughter of Banister L. and Nellie Mae (—) Morton.

Children:


210 iii CLARA KATHERINE⁶ RIGGS, born 6 June 1968, Onslow Co., N.C.[335]


332. N.C. Marriage Records, 1741–2011, image online, Jacksonville, Onslow Co., no. 3868, Zennie Lawrence Riggs, 30, of Jacksonville, son of Z. L. Riggs (dead) and Daisy Riggs (living), resident of Maysville, N.C., licensed 13 Nov. 1952 to Sybil Maria Morton, 19, of Jacksonville, daughter of Banister L. Morton and Nellie Mae Morton (both living), residents of Jacksonville, married 22 Nov. 1952, at the bride’s home, Whiteoak Twp, witnesses included Ethel Riggs of Maysville, N.C.


SIXTH GENERATION


Known children:

212 i JULIAN/JASON MAURICE birth Riggs Jr., born Aug. 1949, Wilmington Twp., New Hanover Co., N.C. [341] He goes by Jason and is a contributor to the Riggs/Rigg DNA Study Group. He is also my correspondent on this family. His genetic signature matches exactly, on 12 markers, that of Edward Lee Riggs (135 Roy Alton, William Mack, George).

APPENDIX

APPENDIX A: THE FAMILY OF GILES RIGGS

The following family fits into this volume somewhere, but I have not yet been able to determine where. We know it belongs because the genetic signatures of several of the descendants of Giles match those of descendants of John Riggs, as argued in the front section DNA Evidence.

I owe inspiration for the Giles Riggs family to Christopher Graham Riggs, one of his descendants and a member of my Riggs DNA Study Group. Here is the originating email from Christopher. I use it as a basis for my research on the family:

First, Sue N. Riggs is my mother (and wife of Graham Farris Riggs). . . .

Michael Noble Riggs is my brother. . . .

Here is my Riggs ancestry chart:

Giles Riggs (c.1720–1785) + ?
Shadrack Riggs (c.1750–1807) + Rebecca Muse
Jesse Riggs (1780–bef.1841) + Mary Beasley
Jesse “Levin” Riggs (1824–1914) + Martha “Patsy” Jones
James Beasley Riggs (1851–1937) + Emily Jones
Solomon Graham Riggs Sr (1889–1976) + Bessie Mauney
Solomon Graham Riggs Jr (191–1994) + Anna Farris
Graham Farris Riggs (b 1940) + Sue Noble
Christopher Graham Riggs (b 1970)

It is my understanding that Giles through James Beasley Riggs all resided in Craven /Beaufort (now Pamlico) Co, NC. My ggrandfather, Solomon Graham Riggs Sr., was the first in the family to leave that area and seek his fortune in Raleigh.

If you contact William H. Riggs in our clan, I know enough that his ancestral chart should be:
I know you’ve been in touch with William’s wife, Harriette, before.

According to his will, Giles had three sons: Giles Jr., Shadrack, and David. Little is known about Giles Jr. and David.

Shadrack served in the Revolutionary War and is listed in the DAR records. As you can see Shadrack would be slightly younger than the John Riggs who is the subject of your paper. My guess is that they could be first or second cousins?

Lastly I have a 40+ page document titled “Descendants of Riggs Ancestry”. . . . I never paid much attention to it because it doesn’t list my Giles ancestor. However I bring this up because it does mention your subject, John Riggs, and many of the Riggs listed are from Pasquotank or Onslow Co, NC. In this document John’s father is an Abraham Riggs and mother is an Anne Durant, who is identified as a member of the Yeopin (Algonkian) Indian tribe in Perquimans Co. This may be where Gary Howard Riggs got the story of having Native American DNA. More interesting is that John Riggs has a brother named Abraham who married (1754) a Jane Mullin. And what’s really intriguing is that their children are listed as Abraham, Giles, Shadrock (sp?), David, Gideon, and Silas. Obviously these children would be born too late to be my ancestors. However these are unusual names for usage unless they were in a previous family generation somewhere. Food for thought if nothing else?\[343\]

1. **GILES[^1]** RIGGS was born about 1720, and died in 1785. He married an unknown woman.

   N.B. Craven Co., N.C., was originally the peninsula pointing eastward, defined by Pamlico River on the north and Neuse River on the

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[^1]: Email from Christopher Graham Riggs, 27 Nov. 2016.
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south. Bay River, a much smaller river, is centered on the eastern tip of the peninsula. In 1773, at the time of the will below, the southern half of the peninsula, below Bay River, was Craven Co., and the northern half was Beaufort Co. In 1872 the eastern or tip portion of Craven Co. became Pamlico Co. What is now Alligator River was never part of Craven Co. It was part of Pasquotank Co., located a couple of counties north of Craven. In 1729 the part of Pasquotank surrounding Alligator River became Tyrell Co. Alligator River runs north into Albemarle Sound.

He signed his will on 9 Apr. 1773, Craven Co., N.C., and it was proved in Sept. 1787, Craven Co., N.C. Here is a partial transcription, preserving the spelling:

North Carolina In the Name of god Amen the ninth day Aprel in the year of our Lord on thousand seven hundred and seventy three I Giles Riggs of the County of Craven and province aforesaid planter being sick and weak in Body But of perfect mind and memory thanks be given to almighty god therefore Calling unto mind the mortallity of my Body and Knowing that it is appointed for all men once to dye do make and ordain this to be my last will and Testament that is to say first I recomend my Soul into the hands of god that gave it and my body I recomend it to the Earth to be Buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executors & Nothing Doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of god and as Touching such worldly Estate where with it hath pleased god to bless me with I give devise and dispose of in manner and form following Item I give to my Son Shaderack my land that Lies on the east Side of alligator to him and his heirs forever for Ninty acres Item I give and bequeath to my two Sons David and Giles all my land that lies on the west side of Alligator to be equally divided between David having the upper part to them and their heirs for Ever and if eighter [sic] of my Sons should dye without heirs of his body I will that his Land shall fall Equally to them that is Living of my Sons Item I Lend to my Loving wife one third of my Land and Plantation dureing her widowhood Item and as for the remainder of my Estate do lend to my Loving [wife?] dureing her widowhood and after her Name is Changed my will is that it shall be Equally divided between her and my Children and I do hereby make ordain
Constitute and appoint my Son Shadrack my hole [sic] and sole Executor of this my Last will and Testament hereby revoking and disanuling all former wills and bequeaths by me made and declaring this only to be my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day and year first mentioned Signed Sealed delivered [sic] published and declared as my last and Testament in the presence of us | Giles [his mark] Riggs [Seal] | Amos Squiers [?] | Francis Delamain [?] | Thomas Squiers

September Craven County Court 1787 When was the foregoing last Will & testament of Giles Riggs proved in open Court by the oath of Amos Squiers one of the subscribing witnesses thereto . . .

On 26 Oct. 1767 Giles Riggs was granted 90 acres in North Carolina “on the south side of Bay river.” The survey notes state:

Survey July 23: 1767 For Mr Giles Riggs Ninety Acres of Land in Craven County On the South Side of Bay River and on the South Side of Al- lagater [gulf?] . . .

So this Alligator cannot be the modern river on Albemarle Sound. There is a southern branch of Bay River that is fed by Alligator Creek, which is probably the location mentioned in the 1767 survey and 1773 will.

Known children (from his will and in that order):

+ 2  i SHADRACK2 RIGGS, born about 1750, married REBECCA MUSE, and had at least one child. He witnessed the will of David Riggs, presumably his brother.
+ 3  ii DAVID2 RIGGS, married BATHSHEBA —, and had at least one child.
  4  iii GILES2 RIGGS. He had had no issue at the time of his father’s will signed 9 Apr. 1773.

2. SHADRACK2 RIGGS (Giles¹) was born about 1750, and died 1807. He married REBECCA MUSE. He signed his will 23 Nov. 1807, Craven

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Co., N.C., where it was proved in the December 1807 term of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions. Here is a transcription of his will, preserving the poor spelling:

In the name of god amen I Shaderick Riggs of the county of Cravin and state of north Carolina Bing Very sick in Body and in a loe state of helth But in perfict mind and memry thanks Be given to god for it Coling un- to mind the mortality of my Body and Knowing that ii is once appinted for all men to die to make and ordain this my Last will and testement that is to say prenseble and first of all I give and Recommend my sold in to the hands of almighty god that give it and my Body to Be Buried in Decnt Buriel at Discrashan of my Exter[=""] and as tuching such worley Estate which it hast pslides god to Blese me with in this Life I give Devis and Despose of in the folowing maner and form first I Leve all my Land Belo the Road to my Beloved Wife hir liftime or widerhood with the house and plantashan # I also Leve to my Beloved Sun Jesse Riggs part of my Lands above the Road Begning at a gum Corner tree of John Riggs[=""] and Runing Down the Road to a Deviding line of Wm Jones then with s[d] Road to Lamberson Line then north 84 west 8 pole from there to the Line on the Pine Ridg from there with s[d] Line to the first Station # I also give to my Beloid Daughter Sinar part of my Land above the Road Begning at Lamberson lin[e[=""] and Runing north 84 west 80 pole then north to marey fulshar paten line near Smith Creek then with s[d] line to the Road then to the Begning I also Leve all the Rest of my Lands above the the [sic] Road to be Equaly Divid Between my tow Daughters Betsey and Suckey # I also Leave all my Lands Belo the Road to my youngest Daughter Routh and the one that my Belovid wife is now in travil with and the one that my Belovid wife is now in travil with to Be Equaly Divid Between them after the beth or [dis her?] of marig of my Beled wife and if aneone one of them shuld Die Before the other half of them also 8 head of sheape to my Belovd Wife also 1 fether Bead and furniture I also now Leave all the Rest of my perishible proprty to Be Equily Devid Between all my Childrn I Make this my Last will and testement in witnis hir of I have hir unto set my hand and seal this 23rd of November 1807 sind seld in presents of us | I Leve

State of North Carolina | Craven County | Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions Dec 4 Term 18[07] | the foregoing last Will and testament of Shadrack Riggs was exhibited for probate and the due execution thereof by the testator was proved by the oath of Justus Burnett one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto at the same time Jesse Riggs appeared and qualified as Executor to said deceased . . .[346]

On 20 July 1782 “She[d] Riggs of Craven Co. was paid 18 shillings in Newbern District, N.C., per Capt. Delamare’s pay roll. On 12 Aug. 1783 it was two pounds four shillings to Shad[hole] Riggs, of Craven, Newbern District.[347]

In 1790 Shadrack Riggs resided in Craven Co., N.C., one male (himself) over 16, with two males under 16 and four females. David Riggs is listed eight names away on the same page.[348]

In 1800 a “Shadrach” Riggs, 26–45, resided in Beaufort Co., N.C., with one female 10–16, and one male and two females 16–26. He is listed next to John Riggs, over 45, and William Riggs, 16–26.[349] This Shadrack doesn’t quite fit if ours was indeed born in 1750. But Beaufort County directly abuts Craven County.

Known children (in will order):

+ 5  i JESSE RIGGS, born 1780, married MARY H. (BEASLEY) RIGGS, and had at least two children.

  6 ii SINA RIGGS, a daughter. Her name was given as “Sinar” in Shadrack’s will. She was possibly the “Linar” Riggs who married (bonded) 29 Dec. 1802, Craven Co., N.C.,[350] BARNUM LINCOLN.

347. N.C. Revolutionary Pay Vouchers, 1779–1782, images online.
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Or she was possibly the “Siner” Riggs who married (bonded) 17 Nov. 1804, Craven Co., N.C.,[351] CHURCHWELL RICE.

7 iii BETSEY3 RIGGS.

8 iv SUSANNAH/SUKEY3 RIGGS. Her name was given as “Suckey” in Shadrack’s will. She was possibly the “Sucky” Riggs who married (bonded) 4 Feb. 1802, Craven Co., N.C.,[352] JAMES MACELROY. Or she was possibly the Susannah Riggs who married (bonded) 24 Jan. 1815, Craven Co., N.C.,[353] ISRAEL RICE.

9 v RUTH1 RIGGS. Her name was given as “Routh” in Shadrack’s will. She was possibly the Ruth Riggs who married (bonded) 14 Sept. 1820, Craven Co., N.C.,[354] SILAS MESSICK.

10 vi [DAUGHTER]3 RIGGS, was not yet born at the signing of Shadrack’s will on 23 Nov. 1807.

3. DAVID2 RIGGS (‘Giles’) married BATHSHEBA —. He signed his will 17 Jan. 1796, Craven Co., N.C., and one of its witnesses was Shadrach Riggs. It was proved 19 Mar. 1796, New Bern, Craven Co., N.C., and Bathsheba was sworn in then as his executrix. Interestingly, his will mentions land he sold to Mr. Bateman (cf. appendix B). Here is a transcription:

I David Riggs of the County of Craven and State of N. Carolina Do make and Constitute this my last Will & Testament, first of all, I recommend my Soul into the Hands of God that gave it and as to my Worldly Goods that it hath pleased God to Bless me with, I dispose of in the following manner. Item I leave Fifty acres of Land, Beginning at a

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tle Bridge, near my little field, then with the road to the Paten Line, then
down the Paten Line to include fifty acres, then to the Easternmost run
of trent, then up the run to Tillmans Line then with Tillmans Line to
the Beginning, to be sold at Publick Sale for the support of my Family.

Item. I also leave my Cypress Timber on the Land I sold to Mr Bateman
to be sold for the support of my Family.

Item. I leave the rest of the Land that I now live on to my Son Jeremiah
Riggs to him and his Heirs forever.

Item. I leave the rest of my Estate to my Wife for the support of she and
her Children. I do appoint my Wife my whole and Sole Executrix to this
my last Will and Testament Witness my Hand & Seal this 17 day of
January 1796 | David [his Mark] Riggs | Signed in the presence of Us |
Jedediah Brickhouse | Shadrack Riggs | Ephraim Sissman

. . . And Bathsheba Riggs the Executrix therein named having Qualified
by taking the Oath of an Executrix agreeable to Law . . . | Witness Saml
Chapman Clerk of said Court at New bern the 19th day of March AD
1796 & in the 20th year of our Independence.[355]

In 1790 David Riggs resided in Craven Co., N.C., one male (himself)
over 16, with two males under 16 and three females. Shadrack Riggs is
listed eight names away on the same page.[356]

Known child (of plural children mentioned in the will):

11 i JEREMIAH3 RIGGS, born after his grandfather Giles’s will of 9 Apr.
1773 in which his father had not yet had issue.

5. JESSE3 RIGGS (’Shadrach’, Giles’) was born 1780, and died before his
widow Mary was granted letters of administration of his estate in Feb.
1841. He married (bonded) 23 Dec. 1814, Craven Co., N.C.,[357] MARY

355. N.C. Wills and Probate Records, 1665–1998, will of David Riggs, image online, Craven Co.,
Wills, Horton-Talk, 1760–1890.
357. N.C. County Marriages, 1762–1979, Craven Co., Marriage bond abstracts, 1740–1868, vol. 1–
Mar. 1804 [bondsman & witness] John Riggs | (w) S. Chapman, C.C.”.
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H. (BEASLEY) RIGGS, who was born 23 May 1788, died 21 Feb. 1858, and was buried in Riggs-McCotter Cem., [now] Pamlico Co., N.C. She had first married (bonded) 14 Mar. 1804, Craven Co., N.C. John Riggs, of unknown relationship.

N.B. Pamlico County was formed in 1872 from Craven and Beaufort Counties.

In 1830 Jesse Riggs, 40–50, resided in Craven Co., N.C., on the north side of the Meuse River, with a woman 40–50, one boy under 5, one girl 5–10, one male 10–15, and one male slave under 10, one male slave 10–24, and one female slave 24–36, for a total of eight persons. There are three female marked 15–40 but apparently erased as they do not count in the total of eight persons.

In 1840 Jesse Riggs, 50–60, resided in Craven Co., N.C., on the north side of the Meuse River, with a woman 50–60, one girl 5–10, one male 10–15, and two females 15–20, and with four slaves: one male under 10, one male 24–30, one female 10–24, and one female 36–55, for a

358. Her full name is reported unsourced Mary Hardison Beasley, but I have not seen any evidence of the middle name, just the middle initial.


361. I suspect that the children of this marriage are Sarah, James Beasley, John Richard, and Dorcas, don’t have proof yet.

total of 10 persons, five in agriculture. Listed on the same page are John Riggs (50–60) 00010001,000010001, Solomon Riggs (20–30) 00001,0001, and John R. Riggs (30–40) 210021,00002 (next to Barnum Lincoln, 60–70).\[363\]

The Jesse Riggs estate file of 1841, Craven Co., N.C., has his widow Mary appointed administratrix for his intestate estate in the February Term of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, 1841. Cash outlays from the estate mention James Riggs and John R. Riggs and has settlement dates starting in Feb. 1841. A sale of his personal estate occurred 4 Mar. 1841. Purchasers included John R. Riggs (who purchased very many items), Solomon Riggs, James Riggs, and John Riggs (without the R.), a few items each.\[364\] James and John R. might be sons of Mary’s first husband, John Riggs.

Placeholder: In 1850 John R. Riggs, 40, a farmer born in North Carolina, resided in Craven Co., N.C., with Sarah, 28, born in North Carolina, and with John, 13, Dorcus, 11, Thomas, 8, Henry, 5, Cornelia, 4, Joseph, 2, and Alfred, 1/2, all born in North Carolina. Next door resided James Riggs, 55, a farmer born in North Carolina, with Sarah, 40, born in North Carolina, and with Lafayette, 16, and two others. Several dwellings away resided Eli Mayo, 37, with “Salin,” 24, born in North Carolina, and with Henry, 3, and Mary, 7, both born in North Carolina, and next to them May, or Mary, Riggs, 63, born in North Carolina, with Jesse, 20, and Patsy, 69, both born in North Carolina.\[365\]


Known children:

366. U.S. census, 1860, New Bern PO, Craven Co., N.C., r. 119, p. 151, dw. 82, fam. 82.
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12  i  SALINA JANE4 RIGGS, born 9 Apr. 1825, died 30 July 1892, buried in Riggs-McCotter Cem., Pamlico Co., N.C.,1367 married (bonded) 2 Oct. 1846, Craven Co., N.C.,1368 ELI MAYO, and had at least two children.

+ 13  ii  JESSE4 RIGGS, born 18 July 1829, Mesic, Pamlico Co., N.C., married (1) MARTHA/PATSY S. JONES, and had at least four children, married (2) CHALLIE MILLER, and had at least one child.


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1369. I suspect Dorcas is daughter of Mary’s first husband, John Riggs, but have no proof yet.

370. Riggs-McCotter Cem., “[name] McCotter, Dorcas Riggs [born] [empty] [died] [empty] [remarks] Known to be buried here, but as of this date, no markers have been found. This information was furnished by Lois Jones [Riggs-McCotter Cemetery, Pamlico Co., NC Cemeteries by Dixie T. Willis, 1983, pgs 90–91] | NOTE: wife of Hezekiah McCotter; dau of Jesse Riggs & Mary Hardison Beasley; mother of John R. McCotter.” To be vetted.


373. Riggs-McCotter Cem., “[name] McCotter, Hezekiah [born] [empty] [died] [empty] [remarks] Known to be buried here, but as of this date, no markers have been found. This information was furnished by Lois Jones [Riggs-McCotter Cemetery, Pamlico Co., NC Cemeteries by Dixie T. Willis, 1983, pgs 90–91].” To be vetted.

13. JESSE RIGGS (Jesse, Shadrach, Giles) was born 18 July 1829, Mesic, Pamlico Co., N.C. (death certificate), and died 3 Aug. 1914, Mesic, and was buried 4 Aug. 1914, Riggs-McCotter Cem., Maribel, Pamlico Co., N.C. He married (1) 24 Apr. 1848 [bonded], Craven Co., N.C., MARTHA/PATSY S. JONES, who was born 17 June 1829, Mesic, daughter of Smith Jones, and died 6 Mar. 1884, and was buried in Riggs-McCotter Cem., Maribel, Pamlico Co., N.C. He married (2) 11 Nov. 1885, Pamlico Co., N.C., CHALLIE MILLER, who was born 1843.
(1900 census) or 24 Apr. 1844 (death certificate), Bayboro, Pamlico Co., N.C., daughter of James and Patsy/Millie (Tolson) Miller, and died 18 Mar. 1916, New Bern, Craven Co., N.C., and was buried 19 Mar. 1916, Cedar Grove Cem., New Bern.

In 1870 Jesse Riggs, 40, a farmer born in North Carolina with $1,000 real and $100 personal estates, resided in Craven Co., N.C., with Patsy, 40, born in North Carolina, and with James, 19, Sarah, 17, Jesse, 7, and Mary, 4, all born in North Carolina. They share a dwelling with Ephraim Jones, 27, and “Darcus” A. Jones, 20, married in July, both born in North Carolina.

In 1880 “Jessee” Riggs, 60 [sic], a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Pamlico Co., N.C., with his wife, Martha, 50, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his son, “Jessee,” 15, born in North Carolina, and two servants.

In 1900 Jesse Riggs, 70, a farmer born July 1830 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Pamlico Co., N.C., with his wife of 14 years, “Sally,” 56, born 1843 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his daughter, Daisy, 12, born 1888 in North Carolina, and two boarders. Sally had had only the one child.

In 1910 Jesse Riggs, 80, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Pamlico Co., N.C., with his wife of 25 years, “Chalie” J., 66, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and...
with his daughter, Daisy, 22, born in North Carolina, and two boarders. Chalie had had only the one child.\[386\]

Known children of the first marriage, to Martha:

+ 15  i  **JAMES**\(^5\) **RIGGS**, born about 1851, North Carolina, married (1) **EMILY JONES**, and had nine children, married (2) ** MARTHA ALEXZENA PAUL**.


+ 17 iii  **JESSE LEVIN**\(^5\) ** RIGGS**, born about 1863, married **SINA J. STILLEY**, and had at least five children.

18 iv  **MARY**\(^5\) ** RIGGS**, born about 1864, North Carolina.

Child of the second marriage, to Challie:

19 v  **DAISY P.**\(^5\) ** RIGGS**, born 20 Mar. 1888 (gravestone), North Carolina, died 3 Nov. 1979, New Bern, Craven Co., N.C.,\[389\] and was buried in Cedar Grove Cem., New Bern, Craven Co., N.C.,\[390\] married (1) 18 June 1913, Pamlico Co., N.C.,\[391\] **DONALD WEAVER**


\[391\] N.C. Marriage Records, 1741–2011, image online, Pamlico Co., Don W. Basnight, 33, of Newbern, son of Jessie [S?]. Basnight and “Nanie” E. Basnight, both living and residing in Newbern, to Daisy P. Riggs, 25, daughter of Jesse Riggs and Challie Riggs, both living and residing in Twp. 3, licensed 16 June 1913, married 18 June 1913, home of brother near Mesic, by Jesse C. Caldwell MG.
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In 1880 James Riggs, 39 [sic], a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Pamlico Co., N.C., with his wife, “Emley,” 23, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and his daughters, Mary, 5, “Elvira,” 2, and Vivian, 2/12, born in March, all born in North Carolina. [398]

In 1900 James Riggs, 49, a widower farmer born 1850 in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Pamlico Co., N.C., with his

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394. Her full name from her son Solomon’s wedding certificate (q.v.).

395. N.C. Marriage Records, 1741–2011, image online, Pamlico Co., James Riggs, 61, of Bay Creek, son of “Jesse” Riggs (living in Bay Creek) and M (deceased), to Martha A. Paul, 43, of Bairds Creek, daughter of A. M. Paul and Millie Paul, both living in Bairds Creek, licensed 25 May 1912, married 26 May 1912, Pamlico Co., N.C., at the residence of A. M. Paul, by J. L. Harrison JP.

396. She was Elexenah Paul in the 1880 census, Alexzena Paul in the 1900, Alexana Paul in the 1910, Zena Riggs in the 1920, Martha A. Riggs in the 1930, all in Pamlico Co., N.C.


daughters, Alvira, 22, born 1878, and Elma, 16, born 1884, sons, Sanford, 14, born 1886, Solomon, 11, born 1889, Andrew, 9, born 1890, Jesse, 4, born 1896, and Jennings, 2, born 1877 [sic, 1897 probably], all born in North Carolina of a mother born in North Carolina.\[199\]

In 1910 James Riggs, 59, a widower farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Pamlico Co., N.C., with his sons, “Andrews” B., 19, Jesse J., 14, and “Wilber” J., 12, all born in North Carolina of a mother born in North Carolina.\[400\]

In 1920 James Riggs, 68, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Pamlico Co., N.C., with his wife, Zena, 51, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and his sons, Andrew B., 28, “Jessie” J., 23, and Wilbur J., 22, all born in North Carolina of a mother born in North Carolina, and one boarder.\[401\]

In 1930 James Riggs, 79, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Mesic, Pamlico Co., N.C., with his wife, Martha A., 61, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and his sons, Andrew B., 39, Jesse J., 34, and “Wilber” J., 32, all born in North Carolina of a mother born in North Carolina, and one boarder.\[402\]

In 1940 Andrew Riggs, 49, resided in Mesic, Pamlico Co., N.C., with his brothers, “Jess,” 44, and “Wilbert,” 42, all single and all born in North Carolina.\[403\]

Children:

  20  i  MARY\* RIGGS, born about 1875, North Carolina.

401. U.S. census, 1920, Twp. 3, Pamlico Co., N.C., ED 64, r. 1315, p. 37, sh. 1B, dw. 12, fam. 12.
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22 iii VIVIAN RIGGS, born Mar. 1880, North Carolina.


24 v SANFORD RIGGS, born 1886, North Carolina.

+ 25 vi SOLOMON GRAHAM RIGGS, born 11 Mar. 1889, Pamlico Co., N.C., married (1) BESSIE IVEY MAUNEY, and had at least three children, married (2) MAMIE PERKINSON.


17. JESSE LEVIN\textsuperscript{5} RIGGS (\textsuperscript{1}Jesse\textsuperscript{4}, Jesse\textsuperscript{3}, Shadrach\textsuperscript{2}, Giles\textsuperscript{1})\textsuperscript{410} was born 1863, and died 1948. He married about 1884 SINA J. STILLEY,\textsuperscript{411} who was born about 1868, North Carolina.

In 1910 Jesse L. Riggs Sr., 46, a retail merchant born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Bayboro, Pamlico Co., N.C., with his wife of 26 years, Sina J. Sr., 42, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his son, Thomas C., 22, daughters, Eula L., 13, and Sina J. Jr., 8, son, Jesse L. Jr., 6, and daughter, “Un” [unnamed!?], 9/12, all born in North Carolina.\textsuperscript{412}

In 1920 J. L. Riggs, 56, a farmer born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Bayboro, Pamlico Co., N.C., with his wife, Sina J., 51, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his son “Jessee” L. Jr., 15, and daughter, “Nannie,” 9, both born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives. Next door was Catherine S. Riggs, 64.\textsuperscript{413}

In 1930 Jesse L. Riggs, 67, a postmaster born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Bayboro, Pamlico Co., N.C., with his wife, Sina J., 62, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and with his daughter, Norine K. Gaskins, 20, and his son-in-law, Marvin K. Gaskins, 21, both born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and first married at 19 and 20, respectively. Next door was Jesse L. Riggs Jr., 26.\textsuperscript{414}
In 1940 Jesse L. Riggs, 76, born in North Carolina, resided in Bayboro, Pamlico Co., N.C., with his wife, Sina, 72, and a boarder. Nearby resided Jesse L. Riggs Jr., 36.\(^{415}\)

Known children:

29 i **Thomas C. \(^6\) Riggs**, born about 1888, North Carolina.

30 ii **Eula L. \(^6\) Riggs**, born about 1897, North Carolina.

31 iii **Sina J. \(^6\) Riggs**, born about 1902, North Carolina.

+ 32 iv **Jesse Levin \(^6\) Riggs Jr.**, born 30 Mar. 1904, North Carolina, married (1) **Lillie Mae Whorton**, and had at least three children, married **Mabel Whitford**.


25. **Solomon Graham \(^6\) Riggs** (\(\_5\) James Beasley, Jesse Levin, Jesse, Shadrach, \(\_1\) Giles) was born 11 Mar. 1889, Pamlico Co., N.C.,\(^416\) died 24 Dec. 1976, Nash Co., N.C.,\(^417\) and was buried in Oakwood Cem., Raleigh, Wake Co., N.C.\(^418\) He married (1) 24 Sept. 1913, Newton Twp., Catawba Co., N.C.,\(^419\) **Bessie Ivey Mauney**,\(^420\) born 28 May 1889, daughter of J. H. and N. A. (—) Mauney, and died 6 Dec. 1929, and was buried with her husband.\(^421\) He married (2) 20 July 1941, Raleigh, Wake

\(^{415}\) U.S. census, 1940, Bayboro, Pamlico Co., N.C., ED 69-4, r. 2955, p. 40, sh. 3A, dw. 45.

\(^{416}\) WWI Draft Registration Cards, 1917–1918, image online, Solomon Graham Riggs, 28, of Louisburgh, N.C., born 11 Mar. 1889, Pamlico Co., N.C., hardware salesman, with wife and one child, registered 5 June 1917, Louisburgh Pct., Franklin Co., N.C.


\(^{420}\) Her full name from her son Solomon’s and daughter Dorothy’s birth records [as captured in Social Security applications] (q.v.).


In 1910 S. G. Riggs, 21, single, a clerk in a hardware store born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Pantego, Beaufort Co., N.C., in the household of F. L. Voliva, and his family.\footnote{U.S. census, 1910, Pantego, Beaufort Co., N.C., ED 8, r. 1097, p. 126, sh. 15A, dw. 82, fam. 89.}

In 1920 Solomon Riggs, 30, a hardware retail salesman born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Louisburg, Franklin Co., N.C., with his wife, Bessie, 30, born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, his son, S. G., Jr., 3 9/12, born in North Carolina, and two boarders.\footnote{U.S. census, 1920, Louisburg, Franklin Co., N.C., ED 34, r. 1725, p. 224, sh. 13B, dw. 257, fam. 276.}


In 1945 S. Graham Riggs, salesman, and his wife Mamie P., resided in Raleigh, Wake Co., N.C., next door to S. Graham Riggs Jr., U.S. Ar-
my, and his wife, Anna L., and “Jas.” R. Riggs, U.S. Army, and his wife, Ruth S.\textsuperscript{[427]}

Known children of the first marriage, to Bessie:

+ 34  

\begin{itemize}
  \item[i] \textbf{SOLOMON GRAHAM\textsuperscript{7} RIGGS JR.}, born 22 Mar. 1917, Louisburg, Franklin Co., N.C., married \textbf{ANNA LOUISE FARRIS}, and had at least one child.
  \item[ii] \textbf{DOROTHY FRANCES\textsuperscript{7} RIGGS}, born about 1922, North Carolina.
  \item[iii] \textbf{JAMES ROBERT\textsuperscript{7} RIGGS}, born 25 Dec. 1922, Raleigh, Wake Co., N.C., married \textbf{RUTH S.}—.
\end{itemize}

32. \textbf{JESSE LEVIN\textsuperscript{6} RIGGS JR.} (\textsuperscript{1}Jesse Levin\textsuperscript{5}, Jesse\textsuperscript{4}, Jesse\textsuperscript{3}, Shadrach\textsuperscript{2}, Giles\textsuperscript{1}) was born 30 Mar. 1904, North Carolina, died 18 Dec. 1974, Bayboro, Pamlico Co., N.C.,\textsuperscript{[430]} and was buried 20 Dec. 1974, Greenleaf Memorial Park, New Bern, Pamlico Co., N.C. He married (1) 17 Jan. 1929, Pamlico Co., N.C., \textbf{LILLIE MAE WHORTON}. He married (2) \textbf{MABEL WHITFORD}.

In 1930 Jesse L. Riggs Jr., 26, a barber born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, resided in Bayboro, Pamlico Co., N.C., with his wife, Lillie M., 23, and his son, Jesse L. III, 3/12, born in North Carolina. Jesse had been first married at 24, and Lillie at 21. They share the

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dwelling with John T. Sawyer, 27, and his wife, Sallie R., 29, both born in North Carolina of North Carolina natives, and first married at 26 and 28, respectively. Next door was Jesse L. Riggs, 67. [432]


Known children of the first marriage, to Lillie:

37 i JESSE LEVIN 7 RIGGS III, born about 1930, North Carolina.

+ 38 ii WILLIAM HOWARD 7 RIGGS, born 1932, Pamlico Co., N.C., married JESSIE HARRIETTE HARRIS, and had at least one child. William is a DNA contributor; Harriette is a correspondent.

39 iii FRANK M. 7 RIGGS, born about 1936, North Carolina.

34. SOLOMON GRAHAM 7 RIGGS JR. (Solomon Graham 6, James Beasley 5, Jesse Levin 4, Jesse 3, Shadrach 2, Giles 1) was born 22 Mar. 1917, Louisburg, Franklin Co., N.C., [434] died 24 Dec. 1994, Bay Co., Fla., [435] last residence Panama City, Bay Co., Fla., [436] and was buried in the same cemetery as his parents, Oakwood Cem., Raleigh, Wake Co., N.C. [437] He married ANNA LOUISE FARRIS, who was born 11 Feb. 1916 (gravestone), Tennessee, died 3 Feb. 1989, and was buried near her husband. [438]

In 1937 Solomon Graham Riggs Jr., of Raleigh, N.C., attended North Carolina State University, Raleigh, majoring in ceramic engineering. [439]
In 1940 Solomon G. Riggs Jr., 23, a steel mill brick man apprentice born in North Carolina, resided in Monessen, Westmoreland Co., Pa., with his wife, Anna Louise, 24, born in Tennessee. They had resided in Raleigh, Wake Co., N.C., in 1935.[440]

In 1945 S. Graham Riggs Jr., U.S. Army, and his wife, Anna L., resided in Raleigh, Wake Co., N.C., with (his brother) “Jas.” R. Riggs, U.S. Army, and his wife, Ruth S., and next door to (his father) S. Graham Riggs, salesman, and his wife Mamie P.[441]

On 29 June 1950 Solomon Graham Riggs Jr., born 22 Mar. 1917, Louisburg, N.C., resided in Orlando, Orange Co., Fla. He had served the armed forces from 6 June 1941 to 3 Oct. 1943 and from 24 Sept. 1945 to 6 Aug. 1946. He entered active service on 6 June 1941 at Camp Lee, Va., and was separated from active service on 6 Aug. 1946 at Ft. McPherson, Ga. He was a resident of Monessen, Pa., when he entered active service.[442]

Known child:

+ 40 i GRAHAM FARRIS RIGGS, born 7 July 1940, married SUE NOBLE, and had at least one child. Both Graham and Sue are DNA contributors.

38. WILLIAM HOWARD RIGGS (3 Jesse Levin Jr., 6 Jesse Levin, 5 Jesse, 4 Jesse, Shadrach, Giles) was born 1932, Pamlico Co., N.C.[443] He is a DNA contributor. He married 26 Nov. 1954, Pamlico Co., N.C.,[444] JESSIE
HARRIETTE HARRIS, who was born about 1935, daughter of Derwood B. and Carma B. (—) Harris. Harriette is a correspondent re the DNA study.

In 1957 William Howard Riggs attended East Carolina University, Greenville, Pitt Co., N.C., majoring in geography and business administration.\textsuperscript{445}

In 1960 William H. Riggs and his wife, “Harriet H.,” resided in Raleigh, Wake Co., N.C.\textsuperscript{446}

Known child:

41 i PAMELA CLAIRE\textsuperscript{8} RIGGS, born 5 Dec. 1955, Greenville, Pitt Co., N.C.\textsuperscript{447}

40. GRAHAM FARRIS\textsuperscript{8} RIGGS (\textsuperscript{14}Solomon Graham\textsuperscript{7}, Solomon Graham\textsuperscript{6}, James Beasley\textsuperscript{5}, Jesse\textsuperscript{4}, Jesse\textsuperscript{3}, Shadrach\textsuperscript{2}, Giles\textsuperscript{1}) was born 7 July 1940,\textsuperscript{448} after the 1940 census which was enumerated 11 Apr. 1940. He married\textsuperscript{449} SUE NOBLE.


In 1977 Graham Riggs, born 1940, was listed in \textit{Who’s Who in Religion}.\textsuperscript{451}


\textsuperscript{449} Email from Christopher Graham Riggs, 27 Nov. 2016.

\textsuperscript{450} U.S. School Yearbooks, 1880–2012, Graham Riggs, for the years and places listed.

\textsuperscript{451} Biography & Genealogy Master Index (BGMI), Graham Farris Riggs, born 1940, Who’s Who in
GILES RIGGS


Known child:

42  i **CHRISTOPHER GRAHAM**\(^10\) **RIGGS**, born 1970.\[453\] Christopher is a DNA contributor and my correspondent on this family.

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453. Email from Christopher Graham Riggs, 27 Nov. 2016.
The following family fits into this volume somewhere, but I have not yet been able to determine where. We know it belongs because the genetic signature of Delmer Atlee Bateman matches those of descendants of John Riggs, as argued in the front section DNA Evidence. We don’t know where the Batemans mixed with the Riggeses, so this is a placeholder section until we do.

1. **James 3 Bateman** was born in Pamlico Co., N.C. He married (bonded) 18 Jan. 1856, Craven Co., N.C.,[454] **Mary Sadler**, who was born in Pamlico Co., N.C. They had at least one child. See their son James’s death certificate for proof of these facts. The generation number 3 is an estimate.

   In 1860 James Bateman, 24, a farmer born in North Carolina, reside in Goose Creek, Beaufort Co., N.C., with Mary, 30, and Jeremiah, 2, both born in North Carolina.[455]

   Known child:


2. **James R. 4 Bateman** (James 3 Bateman) was born 16 Oct. 1874 [death certificate] or 16 Oct. 1860 [gravestone], Pamlico Co., N.C., died 5 Mar. 1944, Pamlico Co., N.C.,[456] and was buried 5 Mar. 1944, Cahoon

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Cem., Hobucken, Pamlico Co., N.C.[457] He married ARENIA HOPKINS, who was born 20 Aug. 1863 (gravestone), died 22 Dec. 1914, and was buried near her husband.[458]

Known child:

+ 3 i PELEG WILLIAM⁵ BATEMAN, born 29 July 1894, North Carolina, married BEATRICE E. ALCOCK, and had at least six children.


In 1940 “Pelege” W. Bateman, 45, a fisherman born in North Carolina, resided in Hobucken, Pamlico Co., N.C., with his wife, Beatrice, 41, born in North Carolina, and his sons, Nelvin H., 21, Delmer A., 17, James N., 15, George E., 14, and Preston W., 12, and daughter, Barbara L., 8, all born in North Carolina. They resided in the same house in 1935. Next door was James R. Bateman, 79, a widower born in North Carolina.[461]

Children:

4  i  **NELVIN H.**\(^6\) **BATEMAN**, born about 1919, North Carolina.

+  5  ii  **DELMER ATLEE**\(^6\) **BATEMAN**, born 4 Nov. 1922, Lowland, Pamlico Co., N.C., married **IRIS ALICE SIMPSON**, and had children. Delmer is a Riggs DNA contributor.

6  iii  **JAMES N.**\(^6\) **BATEMAN**, born about 1925, North Carolina.

7  iv  **GEORGE E.**\(^6\) **BATEMAN**, born about 1926, North Carolina.

8  v  **PRESTON W.**\(^6\) **BATEMAN**, born about 1928, North Carolina.

9  vi  **BARBARA L.**\(^6\) **BATEMAN**, born about 1932, North Carolina.

5. **DELMER ATLEE**\(^6\) **BATEMAN** (Peleg William\(^5\) Bateman, James R.\(^4\) Bateman, James\(^3\) Bateman) was born 4 Nov. 1922, Lowland, Pamlico Co., N.C.\[^{462}\] He married 28 Oct. 1944, Camden Co., N.C., IRIS ALICE SIMPSON, who was born about 1923, daughter of J. F. and Carnelia (—) Simpson. Delmer is a Riggs YDNA contributor.

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\[^{463}\] N.C. Marriage Records, 1741–2011, image online, Delmer A. Bateman, 21, of S. Norfolk, Va., to Iris A. Simpson, 21, of Norfolk, Va., license 28 Oct. 1944, married 28 Oct. 1944, South Mills, Camden Co., N.C., by J. G. Etheridge JP, two witnesses; another record, image online, gives further information: his parents Peleg [transcribed as Peter] and Beatrice Riggs, both living and residents of Hobucken, N.C., her parents J. F. and Carnelia Simpson, both living and residents of Arapahoe, N.C.
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Michelle Riggs was born Nov 7, 1897, daughter of John Riggs and his wife Mollie Riggs.

Clarence Riggs was born Jan 2, 1899, son of John Riggs and his wife Mollie Riggs.

Clyde Riggs was born Aug 9, 1899, son of John Riggs and his wife Mollie Riggs.

Clara Riggs was born Oct 4, 1901, son of John Riggs and his wife Mollie Riggs.

Leo Jameson Riggs was born Sep 2, 1903, son of John Riggs and his wife Mollie Riggs.

Robert Jameson Riggs was born Dec 21, 1907, son of John Riggs and his wife Mollie Riggs.
Figure 2. John Edward* and Mollie Riggs Family Bible, Marriages
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