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RFA Registration Form in back of this issue.

Nominations For RFA Positions For 2006

Members may nominate themselves or others for any one of the elected positions:

President
Vice President/Registrar
Recording Secretary/Historian
Treasurer
3 Directors

The above positions constitute RFA's Board of Directors. Present officers are identified on back cover of this newsletter. All positions are voluntary, and no officer receives salary or travel expenses related to attendance at the annual meetings. All officers begin terms of one year on January 1 to serve for that calendar year. Out-going Board members serve in *ex-officio* capacity during Nov-Dec of the election year. With the loss of a Board member, the position may be filled on an interim basis by appointment and consensus of the remaining members of the Board, to serve for the remaining year.

Election Schedule

Nominations must be received by 1 July 2005.
Ballot in Jul-Aug must be returned by 1 Oct 2005.
Results published in Nov-Dec 2005 newsletter.

All nominations must include a short biography of the nominee, and an indication that the nominee will serve if elected. Nominations should be mailed to RFA Recording Secretary, Sybil R. Taylor, 4004 Javins Drive, Alexandria VA 22310 by 1 July 2005.

Belated Welcome to New Members

Linda Morse, PO Box 446, Richmond, MA 01254, (413) 698-2915, E-mail: lmorse2@berksire.rr.com (RFA #3206) John of Watertown? [from line of G. McKenna #2149]

Georgia Reynolds Raddant, 250 Windway Dr, Walled Lake MI 48390 (RFA #3207) John Reynolds through his son John Reynolds who m.1791 Rachel Hinckley (NY).

Sandra Helen Folger Wallace, 427 Ventana Way, Aptos CA 95003 (RFA 3208) RFA Line 19 Election.

Scott D. Reynolds, St. George UT (RFA #3209); Awaiting information.

Marc S. Reynolds, Petersburg VA (RFA 3210); Huston Reynolds & Mary Lckridge, both d. IL.

Ouida J. Matturri, 620 Howard Ave, Biloxi MS (RFA #3210) 3210. E-mail: joncreedy@msn.com.
Augustus W. "Gus" Reynolds of GA; m. Harriet?

Shea Reynolds Watson, PO Box 90, Verplanck NY 10596 (RFA #3212). John Reynolds, 1822 Cabell Co VA and his son Ezekiel b 1836 Botetourt Co VA.

Arlene Beach, 1120 NE 35th Street, Topeka, KS 66617-2424 (RFA#3213). RFA Line 20, John of Watertown, MA; (785) 286-1167. Levi Reynolds m. Lorena. (John m. Sarah per Louise Beck).

Terry Louise Eggum Hrubes, HC 46 Box 7941, Miles City MT 59301 (RFA #3214). (406) 232-0046. Laban Reynolds VT m c1806 Polly Cousins.

Mary Reynolds Wood, 447 Gansevoort Rd, Fort Edward NY 12828 (RFA #3215. RFA Line 14 James of N. Kingstown from #2354 J.A. Reynolds.

Allan Eastman Reynolds, 10 Chestnut St #1209, Exeter NH 03833. (603) 778-9869. (RFA #3216.

Evaluating Evidence

by **Brian Bonner Mavrogeorge**
<mavrogeorge@genealogysf.com>
The Learning Company

When did grandpa die? The family Bible has May 31st, his tombstone June 1st, the death certificate June 1st, and the Civil War pension application has May 31st.

Apply the rules of genealogical evidence: consistency, directness, and origin (CDO). Is the evidence consistent with what already is known -- support it, refute it, or is it neutral? Is the evidence a direct statement of fact or implied? How did the evidence originate -- was it recorded at the same time as the event by a witness, or later from second-hand knowledge? All of this evidence is direct. The Bible supports May 31st, but who wrote it? The tombstone refutes it; who told the stonecutter? The official record refutes it, but is secondary evidence from a non-witness.

The pension file is the best of the evidence. It supports the date, is direct, and although it is secondary (recorded at a later date) it contains information from his wife and doctor who were present at the death. (From An infomercial from The Learning Company, From RootsWeb 21 May 1999.)

Genealogy: Where you confuse the dead and irritate the living.

John and Elizabeth (McKee) Reynolds of Washington Co. Maryland From RFA Archives and RFA Reynolds Recollections, Nov-Dec 1992

A History of Washington County, Maryland. From earliest settlements to the present time, including A History of Hagerstown, Maryland, by Thomas J.C. Williams. Balto., Regional Publishing Co., 1968 [This may be a reprint]

The Reynolds Family. Among the many families that Washington co. has contributed toward the building up of the great states that lie beyond the Ohio river one of the most important is that of Reynolds. In this sketch we must limit ourselves to the lineage of a certain John¹ Reynolds of "Sharpsburg Hundred," who bought land between the Antietam and the village in 1761, for we cannot find the links that connect this many with any others, although the traditions point to some kinship with the Bakersville family.

The most reliable tradition says that the father of our John¹ was an Englishman, married a Welsh lady by the name of **Cook or Crooks**, and settled in Ireland, near Dublin, where his son [John¹] was born and married a Scotch-Irish lady by the name of **Elizabeth McKee**, and came to America, first to Delaware or Dauphin Co., Pa., and finally bought "Anderson's Delight" 212 acres for L235, 1761, July 1, to which he added later 35 acres of "Abston's Forest."

He¹ was born about 1714 and made his will 1784, Mar. 22, which was probated Apr 13 next, out of which some family items can be gathered.

During the Revolution, 1777, Jan 9, John¹ Reynolds was appointed by the "committee of observation" to appraise wagons, horses, etc. for Col Joseph Smith's battalion, but he resigned the next week. We will number his children and descendants by families and generations. He had nine as follows:

1. John² Reynolds m Margaret Smith, of James, and bought of Joseph Smith, 1767, Dec 28, part of "Ward's Spring" and part of "Resurvey on Elwick's Dwelling", adding to it later. This was near his father's and near to James and Joseph Smith.

In 1775, Sep 18, the committee of observation ordered certain persons to "carry the association to all freemen resident in the district and require their subscription to the same", which signified the securing of the cooperation of the citizens in the Revolutionary plans of Congress. John² Reynolds Jr., was ordered to do this at Sharpsburg. At the meeting of the committee, 1776, Feb 19, he was

recommended for the appointment of Captain of the 36th battalion, and in June he was appointed captain of the 1st battalion of "the Flying Camp," and Dec 10, captain of the 7th Maryland. Having a family of 7 children, [See below] Capt. John² resigned his commission, 1777, Dec 28, and two years later, 1779, Mar 17, he sold out and started with his wife and children for KY, but was killed by Indians and his family were taken into captivity. See pages 100-102, vol. 1. [See also *Frontier Mother* for a complete story of their terrible experiences with the Indians and final restoration to home and friends. **Note, however,** that William was the youngest, not the oldest of the children, and did not settle in Baltimore; it was his cousin, Isaac, that went there in 1800. A much more extended account of this captivity was published in the "Western Christian Advocate," Cincinnati, OH, 1835, May 1, 8, 15, and 22.]

2. **Elizabeth Reynolds** m **Thomas Smith** - see Smith Family - and died after 1803, Nov 23.

3. **Joseph Reynolds**, born 1747, Nov 10, died 1808, Jul 7, in OH, m **Sarah Smith**, 1774, Apr [cannot read - poor photocopy].

4. **Francis Reynolds** appears on the roll of the 7th regiment, 1780, Nov 1st.

5. **Anna Reynolds** m **Kain**.

6. **Rebecca Reynolds** m **McCracken**.

7. **Margart Reynolds** m **Osborne**.

8. **Mary Jane Reynolds** m **Alexander**, --mon, from whom came Governor Vance and Member of Congress of Ohio and Vances and --mons of Urbano OH.

9. **Bridget Reynolds** m **Rogers**, and nearly all have descendants living in the --st.

Frontier Mother

by O. Glenn Stahl

In RFA *Reynolds Recollections*, Nov-Dec 1992

N. Quincy MA: Christopher Pub. House, 1979. [NGS CS71.R464.1979, abstracted 1986 by SRT]: Recounts experiences of a Reynolds family during its migration effort in 1779 by riverboat from Western Maryland to a region known as Kentucky. Recorded information on these events were published in "The Torch Light," a Hagerstown, MD, newspaper in 1835, based on recollections of one of the surviving Reynolds children [Elizabeth], told when she was 64 years old.

John Reynolds m (Washington) MD **Margaret** _____. Children:

1. **Joseph Reynolds** (eldest) taken by Indians separately to Canada in 1779.

2. **Sarah Reynolds**, age 9 in 1779.

3. **Thomas Reynolds**, age 4½ in 1779.

4. **John Reynolds** (age 6 when other Indians took Him from main party, 1779).

5. **Mary Reynolds** (older than Elizabeth).

6. **Elizabeth Reynolds** (youngest girl) age 8 at capture; kept by Indians in (Logan) OH, 1779, until ransomed.

7. **William Reynolds** (youngest) few months over age 3 at capture; kept by Indians in (Logan) OH, 1779, until ransomed.

John Reynolds served in Rev. War as captain. Started for KY Sep 1778. Margaret's 31st birthday was 25 Mar 1779. John was killed ca. late April 1779 by Indians. Rest of party taken by Indians (2 families and Reynoldses and others). Elizabeth named uncles, **Joseph Reynolds** and **Robert Smith** of (Washington) MD. Oct 1779. Mrs. John Reynolds was released at Fort Detroit, free of the Indians; when she arrived at the Fort she had only 3 of her 7 children with her: the eldest girl, Mary, 11; the 2nd girl, Sarah, 9; and Thomas 4½. Nearly four months after separation, Elizabeth was ransomed and returned to her mother, Dec 1779. John was returned to his mother by a white man who had redeemed him. About this time, Mrs. Reynolds knew the location of all her children; she was technically a prisoner of war of the British. William was returned to Mrs. Reynolds in mid-Dec 1779. The officers paid his redemption. Joseph was taken by a Canadian tribe, an old Wyandot Chief who so liked him he adopted Joseph and designated Joseph to succeed him as Chief. Mrs. Reynolds had been allowed to cross the river and visit him. Mrs. Reynolds with help from several "stole" (the Indian's complaint) Joseph back in late summer 1780. There was a **British captain Reynolds** at Fort Detroit who told Mrs. Reynolds he had been born in Maryland. After 18 months, Mrs. Reynolds and her children were placed on a ship for Montreal by the British Fort Commander. They returned to Western Maryland. Mrs. Reynolds remarried in 1785 **William Baird**. Margaret Reynolds Baird was author's wife's gr-gr-grandmother. Mrs. Reynolds had 2 children by Mr. Baird, one of whom was Frances and is the one through whom author's wife descends. A brother of Capt. John, [not named] enraged by their experiences devoted almost all his life to revenge, becoming one of the most celebrated Indian fighters of the area.

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Reynolds and Crook Family of Washington Co., Maryland

by Joseph H. Reynolds, Chicago IL, 1922

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[The genealogy of this family was originally published in the 1922 RFA Annual. There were also updates and corrections published periodically in subsequent Annuals. These updates have been incorporated into the main article.]

The first Reynolds of our line of whom we have any knowledge was born in England about 1681. His Christian name is unknown, but may have been John or Joseph. He married a Miss Crook or Crooks who was born in Wales. They moved to Dublin County, Ireland, near Dublin.

How long he lived in Ireland is not known, but after rearing a family, he and his family emigrated to America and settled on the Swatara River, or Creek, near its junction with the Susquehanna, in what is now known as Dauphin County, Pennsylvania. Dauphin County was a part of Lancaster County until March 1785.

We have no record of the time of his arrival in this country, but it is supposed to be about 1725-1730, from the fact that he is said to have had a family previous to emigrating, therefore was probably 45 or 50 years of age on arrival here.

The above supposition is based on the following note left by Joseph Smith Reynolds Sr., b. Feb. 26, 1780, in Washington Co., MD It reads:

"Great-grandmother Reynolds, maiden name Crook, born in Wales of Protestant parents. Great-grandfather Reynolds, born in England of Episcopalian parents, but himself of Presbyterian belief. Emigrated to Ireland near the City of Dublin. Removed to America with his family; settled on the Sweetarrow with the Susquehanna. Grandmother Reynolds, maiden name Elizabeth McKee, born in Ireland, Episcopalian."

John Reynolds (No. 2) was born in Ireland, and in 1744 married Miss Elizabeth McKee in Dauphin Co., PA, or Anne Arundel Co., MD. He first appears in Washington County, MD where under date of July 1, 1761, John Reynolds "of Sharpsburg Hundred" purchased land between the Antietam and the Village of Sharpsburg, known as "Anderson's Delight," containing 212 acres for £235, to which he added later 35 acres of "Abston's Forest."

He was born 1714 and made his will March 22, 1784, which was probated April 13, 1784 at Hagerstown. During the Revolution, January 9, 1777, John Reynolds was appointed by the "Committee of Observation" to appraise wagons, horses, etc., for Col. Joseph Smith's battalion, but resigned the next week.

The above-mentioned homestead dates back to 1748. Its first owner and occupant was Col. Thomas Cresap who obtained it by grant from the land-office of Maryland, October 6, 1748. Cresap sold it to William Anderson December 4, 1750, who disposed of it July 1, 1761 to John Reynolds.

This homestead is situated about the center of the Antietam battlefield of the Civil War, and during the battle, the buildings were struck by shot and shell of which they still bear the marks. One shell pierced the southern end of the dwelling, went up through the parlor ceiling, and was found in the attic.

The Will of John Reynolds (1714-1784)

In the Name of God Amen. I John Reynolds of Sharpsburg Hundred Washington County and State of Maryland being in perfect Strength of Mind and Memory thanks be given to God, and calling to mind the Mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men Once to die do make and Ordain this my last will & Testament in Manner and form as following to Wit. I recommend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God who gave it and my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in a decent Christian Manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter appointed and as touching such worldly Estate, as it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life. I give devise and dispose of the same in Manner and form following Viz'l.

I give and bequeath unto my Son Joseph Reynolds one-half of all my Real Estate in Lands lying in said County & State aforesaid being that part of my Lands now in his possession according to its meets and Bounds as laid down by James Stuart with all benefits and Advantages thereunto belonging to him and his Heirs or assigns for ever he the said Joseph Reynolds yielding and paying the sum of Forty Pounds Current money that is to say Dollars at Seven Shillings and Six pence and other Silver and Gold at the same reats to be divided as follows Viz'l. I give and bequeath to my Grand Son Joseph Reynolds Son of John Reynolds deceased Nine Pounds of the above mentioned money and likewise give and bequeath to Each of his brothers and Sisters Six Pounds Each of the above mentioned money which my Son Joseph Reynolds is to pay in one year after my decease, unto Margaret Reynolds, Mother of the above Mentioned Children. My further Will

and pleasure is that in case the devision line which which [sic] devides my land should come nearer the head of the Spring which I have bequeathed to my Son Joseph, then six perches than it is my will and pleasure, that One Acre of Land be taken from the Remaining part so as to secure the Spring and dwelling House to my my [sic] Son Joseph provided that the above acre be no more then Six Perches broad lying on the west side of said Spring.

I give and bequeath to my Son Francis **Reynolds** the other half of all my Lands, with all benefits and Advantages thereunto belonging to him his heirs or assigns forever, providing he the said Francis **Reynolds** pays to each of my daughters **Ann Kain** and **Rebecah Reynolds** the Sum of two Hundred Pounds Current money that is to say Dollars at Seven Shillings and Six pence, and Other Silver and Gold at the same reats, within twelve Months after my decease, to the use of them and their heirs forever.

I also give and bequeath unto my Son Francis **Reynolds** my Negro Man named Ham my farming Utensils and live Stocks of every kind as also my Household furniture Except Two Beds and Bedsteads with their furniture which I give to my daughter **Rebecah Reynolds** Some time by past, providing that he the said Francis **Reynolds** Complays with the foregoing provisor as also the paying of all my just debts and funeral Charges and other charges the Administration, but my Will and pleasure is that in case that my Son Francis **Reynolds** do not Comply with the paying of my daughters as before described the Sum of four Hundred Pounds and also my just debts and funeral charges with the Expences attending the Administration that then that part of my Lands that I have bequeathed to him as also Negroe Ham with all the farming Utensils and live stock as also the Household furniture as above described be sold at public Sale by the Directions of my Executors and after all Just debts and funeral charges & being first paid, the rest of the Moneys arising from said Sales be divided Amongst said Francis Ann & **Rebecah Reynolds** in this manner Viz'l. my Son Francis to have to have [sic] one half of all such Moneys the other half to be Equally divided between **Ann Kain** & **Rebecah Reynolds**, and if Francis or **Rebecah Reynolds** die without issue or both of them, then the Legacies that is bequeathed to Either of them shall be Equally divided amongst the surviving daughters to them their heirs or Assigns forever. I give and bequeath to **Elizabeth Smith Margaret Oseborn** & **Mary Lemmon** as also the heirs of **Bridget Rogers** the sum of five Shilling Each and no more as I portioned all my daughters off at Marriage and Lastly I do make Constitute and Ordain my Son **Joseph Reynolds** and my Sons in Law **Thomas Smith** and **David Osborne** my whole and Sole

Executors of this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disanul and revoke all former Wills and Executors Whatsoever Ratifying and Confirming this and no Other as my Last Will and Testament. In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 22 day of march A.D. One Thousand Seven Hundred & Eighty four the word then was interlined between the 14 and 15 lines before the signing & delivering.

his mark

John X Reynolds (Seal)

Signed Sealed published and declared by him the said **John Reynolds** as his last Will and Testament in presence of **William Walker**, **Joseph Morrison**, **Wm. Good**.

On the back of the original will of **John Reynolds** are the following endorsements:

"Washington County Sst. April 13th, 1784, Came **Joseph Reynolds** and **David Osburne** and made oath that the within Instrument of Writing is the true and whole Will & Testament of **John Reynolds** late of said County deceased that hath come to their hands or possession and that they do not know of any other. And at the said time came **William Walker** & **Joseph Morrison** two of the subscribing Witnesses to the Within last Will & Testament of **John Reynolds** late of said County deceased & severally made Oath on the Holy Evangels of Almighty God, that they did see the Testator there in named Sign & Seal this Will, that they heard him publish pronounce and declare the Same to be his Last Will & Testament, that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their appreciation of a Sound and disposing mind Memory & understanding & that they subscribed their names as Witnesses to this Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator and in the presence of each Other, and that they saw **William Good** do the same.

Certified by **Thomas Belt**, Regr.

A True and Full Copy, April 20, 1922.

John D. Hollyday, Reg. Wills, Washington Co., MD"

The following transcript is from the bible of **John and Mary (Reynolds) Wright**, in 1928 in the possession of **Mr. Nelson Wright Strobridge** of Cincinnati, OH. The record and the ancestry entry appeared to have been made in the same handwriting and therefore to have been entered by **John Reynolds**.

"We are informed that our ancestors, on the Reynolds side, moved from Wales to Ireland. Grandfather when about four years of age, emigrated with his Father **Theme** (? Thenis, Thenit, Thenie) to Swatara, Pennsylvania where his father purchased property. Grandfather when about a middle aged man, moved to Anteatem, near the Potomac River, Washington Cty Maryland, where he Purchased property & Settled for life. Grandfather **Jos Smith**, when about Eighteen years old, in company with his Father & family,

Emigrated from Ireland to Washington County, MD where they Purchased property on the Anteatem."

Signed John Reynolds
Urbana, June 9th, 1848

Marriages:

The parents of John Reynolds of Urbana, OH,
To wit: Joseph Reynolds & Sarah Smith were
married April 5th 1774

The Parents of Jane Reynolds
To wit: Alexdr Lemen & Mary Reynolds were
married June 8th 1773

John Reynolds, Son of Jos & Sarah Reynolds, &
Jane Lemen, Daughter of Alexdr & Mary Lemen
were united in Marriage Nov. 9-1797

Wm. L. Fisher & Sarah, Daughter of Jno & Jane
Reynolds were married September 6, 1818

Lemuel Reynolds, son of Jno & Jane Reynolds
& Emiline Daughter of Jno & Fisher were married
Revd John F. Wright & Mary, Daughter of John
& Jane Reynolds were married March 31, 1825

Jos A. Reynolds, son of Jno & Jane Reynolds &
Mary P Daughter of Edwd Tiffin were married
James Shannon & Jane Daughter of John & Jane
Reynolds were married June 16th, 1830

Philander B. Ross & Jane R. Daughter of Jno &
Jane Reynolds were married Nov. 29, 1835.

Births and Deaths:

Of the Parents of John Reynolds of Urbana, OH
viz: Joseph Reynolds son of John Reynolds b. Nov.
10, 1747; d. July 7, 1808

Sarah Smith, Daughter of Joseph Smith and wife
of the above named Joseph Reynolds b. Jan'y 4,
1757; d. Nov. 2, 1821

Birth of the Parents of Jane Reynolds as Follows:
Alexdr Lemen, son of Jno Lemen b. Decr 10,
1738; d. Nov. 2, 1805

Mary Reynolds Daughter of John Reynolds and
wife of the above Alexdr Lemen b. March 12, 1752;
d. Oct. 21, 1809

Jane Lemen, Daughter of the above Alexdr and
Mary Lemen b. July 11, 1777; d.

Children of Joseph and Sarah Reynolds as
Follows:

John Reynolds b. April 18, 1775; d. Dec. 21,
1855, aged 80 years 8 mos-3days

Isaac Reynolds b. Oct. 25, 1778; d. May 6, 1848
in the 70th year of his age

Jos Smith Reynolds b. Feb. 26, 1780

Othoes Reynolds b. Aug. 4, 1782; d. say Dec. 4,
1784 being in his 3d year

James Reynolds b. Aug. 12, 1784

Mary Reynolds b. Mar. 7, 1786

Thos Smith Reynolds b. Dec. 7, 1787; d. 1812 in
the 25th year of his age

Elizabeth Reynolds b. Aug. 17, 1789; d. Sept.
20, 1815, aged 25 years, 1 mo. 3 days. (Elizabeth,

Wife of David S. Bonner)

Sarah Reynolds b. Feb. 24, 1791

Robert Smith Reynolds b. Oct. 11, 1792

Martin Reynolds b. Sep 8, 1795

Samuel Reynolds b. Feb. 27, 1797; d. June 14,
1814 in the 17th year of his age.

Children of John and Jane Reynolds as Follows:

Sarah Reynolds b. Sept. 21, 1798

Leml Reynolds b. July 4, 1800

Jos. Alexdr Reynolds b. Feb. 10, 1802

Isaac Newton Reynolds b. Feby 11, 1804; d.
Feb. 21, 1804

Mary Reynolds b. April 14, 1805; d. July 31,
1844, (Mary Wright)

Elizabeth Reynolds b. May 3, 1807

Jane Reynolds b. May 14, 1811; d. Oct. 16,
1844, (Jane Ross)

James Shannon d. Oct. 4, 1832

John R. Shannon Infant son of James and
Jane R. Shannon d. Aug. 1833.

George Norton Reynolds

In the RFA archives are many pieces, even some
fragments, of paper from persons who did not
become members of RFA and/or no other piece
of paper has been found to really identify the
fragment or the submitter. Some are of such
poor quality, both in handwriting and/or
copying, and others faded with age.

One of the more legible copies is a letter to Mrs.
Rippier 3 April 1941, from Florence M. (Mrs.
J.C.) Abbott (before the 1948 Tillman book):

I am seeking information of the Reynolds of
Yorktown VA. It has been said that a New
England Reynolds came South... Here are the
following names:

I. George Norton Reynolds living 1790 in
Yorktown VA, m. Martha Sims in Charleston
SC. Five sons and two daus: Richard Reynolds,
Dr. William Sims Reynolds, Geo, Norton
Reynolds Jr, Lawrence Reynolds, Thomas
Reynolds (Lt. Governor of MO 1860, b. 1821, d.
1887). Mary Reynolds m - Savage and Harriot
Reynolds m. M.Y. Leitch.

II. Thomas Reynolds, brother of I, above, of
Yorktown VA, d.1800.

III. Lewis Reynolds, brother of I, above.

IV. Harriot Reynolds, sister of I, above.

On 21 Apr 1941, more information:

George Norton Reynolds was born in Yorktown Va around 1770. He died in Charleston SC. One son was born in 1821, d 1887. Another son d 1863. Geo. N. Reynolds Sr left Yorktown VA after the Revolution and arrived in Charleston SC where he married Martha Sims, and had the following children: Lawrence Reynolds, Prof. Columbia, Univ of SC; Richard Reynolds, Dr. William Sims Reynolds; Harriot P. Reynolds m W^m Young Leitch b 1819, d 1878 (my forebears); Mary m. a Mr. Savage, Richmond VA; Thos. C. Reynolds, Gov. of MO, about 1860 or 1863.

In the William and Mary's Quarterly, Vol. 12, p. 128-129, the following is what I found:

Capt. Thos. **Reynolds**, Yorktown VA (died 1758) m. Susannah **Rogers** c1745. (Partner Capt. Chas. **Seabrook**, ___ of merchant ships.) Their children:

Anne Reynolds m. Nathaniel Littleton **Savage**. Issue: Southy L. Savage, Wm. Savage, and Thomas Savage (m. cousin Harriot Reynolds of Yorktown, d. 1800.)

William Reynolds m. Mary **Perrin** (Gloucester) Issue: Thomas Reynolds; George Norton Reynolds; Harriot Reynolds m. S.L. Savage.

The families were great friends of the John **Nortons**, merchant shipper, of London, Eng. (W&M Quarterly, Vol II, etc.)

Signed: Florence M. **Abbott** (Mrs. J.C. Abbott)

Delegates To The Constitutional Convention Held At Montgomery [Al]

November 5 - December 6, 1867

Due to the historic composition of this Constitutional Convention, Black Delegates are identified by the placement of [B] following their names, as an educational guide to the reader

- President: Elisha Woolsey Peck, Tuscaloosa Secretary: Robert Barber, Montgomery

Assistant Secretaries:

George H. Patrick, Montgomery
Moses B. Avery [B], Montgomery

Sergeant-At-Arms: John D. Terrell, Lawrence Doorkeeper: Henry Hunter Craig Montgomery Tenth District: **Robert M. Reynolds**, Wilcox; John H. Burdick, Wilcox; Andrew L. Morgan, Wilcox.

History of Mississippi: The Heart of the South

Vol. 1 and 2, Rouland/Rowland, Dunbar

This appears to be an index to the book, with the numbers in each entry being page numbers

Reynolds, Col. Arthur E., in Davis' brigade, 63, 94; in election of 1865, 116; I Congress, 434.

Reynolds, Major G.W., killed, 42; 85

Reynolds, Lieut.-Col. Hugh A., 85.

Reynolds, L. P., in convention of 1890, 251.

Reynolds, Col. Reuben O., killed 34, 78; chairman convention 1873, 179-180; president of senate, 210.

Reynolds, William, justice, 810.

Caucasian in the Woodpile by Ern Reynolds

The late Senator J. Strom Thurmond of South Carolina (RFA ___) was the son of a Reynolds lady kin to us. In December 2003 the great man now deceased posthumously presented all his living kinsman with a 78-year old mixed-race daughter previously unacknowledged by him.

It seems that the South Carolina Constitution defined anyone with as little as one-eighth Negro blood to be Black. This new Thurmond daughter qualifies by more than the minimal fraction. Here is a clear case of Caucasian in the woodpile (genealogically speaking), and the Caucasian was Strom.

Old Strom made no effort to publicly acknowledge paternity while fighting for white supremacy. To have done so would have not only been awkward, but politically disabling. The Chivalry would not have been able to stop laughing at his hypocrisy long enough to cast a supporting vote. The hilarity might also weaken one too much for the recreations of "drinkin', wenchin' and lynchin'".

About lost ethnic roots, Booker T. Washington said, "The Negro race in the strongest race in the world; If a Black crosses with a Chinaman, an Englishman, or any other white person the child is still a Negro. We hold our own." The best indication of Washington's own paternity was that it was actually derived from a Scots-Irishman named Ferguson who lived antebellum on a neighboring Franklin County, Virginia plantation.

In this 21st Century the best behaved people in my neighborhood seem to be the Sudanese Christian refugees. They have survived as a minority disfavored in a gruesome jihad. From appearances they have no blood kinship with the Scots-Irish of the American South, though several are Anglicans. The Sudanese here in Roanoke, Virginia apparently exhibit no visible tendencies of lawlessness, impulsivity, emotionalism, or violent behaviors.

The latter four stereotypes are often racially *misattributed*, when in fact those proclivities are most demonstrably Anglo-Irish or Scots-Irish. Consider "The Troubles" between the Orangemen and the IRA since the 1960's in one of the few remaining Western venues where religion is universally taken seriously. There everyone believes fervently in life after death, and seems determined to pass on just as soon as possible.

Oliver Cromwell knew very well what he was doing in the 17th Century when he resettled very large numbers of Protestant Lowland Scots to Catholic Irish Counties Antrim, Armagh, Down, Fermanagh, Londonderry, and Tyrone. Since then force has just as reliably been met with counterforce, without a breather. There's hardly a pacifist among them.

One need only examine the well-established history of Ulstermen, English Borderers, Scots Borderers, and the *lex talionis* to verify their ready tendency to commit mayhem. Lawlessness and keeping a generous distance from authority have long been routine family values. Keeping close to a political boundary convenient to flee across is another related ingrained habit of peripatetic Scots culture.

In the 18th Century the most persistent and longest-running guerilla warfare in the entire American Revolution took place in North Carolina between Loyalist Highlanders settled on the coast, against Patriot Lowland Scots in the piedmont. A certain spirit of quick aggression came over with them from North Britain -- and still predominates in the American South.

Scots-Irish are the clear majority in modern Dixie. Just as our English Reynolds forbears settled on the coast, our land-hungry lowland Scots ancestors settled the backcountry, far from the sea and far from restrictive authority. Once loose in the American woods, the Scots proved in two centuries to be more dangerous and adaptive than could the native Indians in two millennia. Then these thrusting Scots-Irish people broke raw land to cotton with slave labor. The hewers of wood and drawers of water for the transplanted Scots were going to be somebody else.

Here is the lesson to be pondered. Before we stereotype Southern Blacks, let's take their individual Scots-Irish quotients into account. Then the balance of inherited attributes seems to reach a truer perspective. We should consider the possibility that *misattributions* of ethnic tendencies should be laid at the door of a series of Caucasians in the woodpile. Welcome to the family.

A Last Appeal and Warning

November 1912

Submitted by Ern Reynolds

The attempt of the Democratic candidate for the Legislature to break or buy his way into the Legislature makes it necessary that an appeal be made to the moral sense and honor of the people of this county. You will bear me out in saying that you have never seen a campaign like this. Money, whisky and the power an employer has over his employes [sic] exercised, in order that the will of the people may be turned aside and a man elected whom the people do not desire to see in the Legislature and who cannot be there for the interest of anybody but himself.

I speak now to Democrats and Republicans, say to them that I feel their minds are made up and it is fortunate that under the ballot system no in vogue in this State, a man can vote his sentiments without fear of discovery. When you enter the booth to prepare your ballot you are alone with yourself ad your Creator. Let not persuasion, intimidation or anything else influence you to go to the polls and cast your ballot against your wishes.

If you desire to vote the Republican ticket, plainly mark a big X through the heading of all the tickets on the ballot sheet, except "The Republican Ticket," with an indelible pencil (or pen and ink), fold your ballot so that the face of it cannot be seen (unless you desire to vote an open ballot), in which case you need not fold it, and hand it to one of the commissioners of election. This can be done in one minute or less, but you have five minutes in which

to do it; so take your time, don't get scared; and if you do get scared, take time and 'cool off' before you begin operations.

In case of doubt ask the Republican poll clerk for assistance. He is sworn not to tell how you voted and if he does the penalty is the Penitentiary. On the Sunday and Monday preceding the election day, there will be circulated roorbacks, eleventh hour lies, false circulars, warning letters, statements made to deceive the voters and to catch the unwary. I want no, at this time, to warn you against such. This most remarkable campaign in the history of Mineral County is about to close. Let the people stand up and vote their sentiments regardless of any of the desperate influences being brought to bear and we will clear the fair name of the County of the blot that is attempted to be put upon it.

Sincerely and respectfully,
FRANK C. REYNOLDS
 Chairman, Republican Committee

The author of this "roorback," eleventh hour lies, false circulars, warning letters, and statements to deceive the voters" was fighting fire with fire. He was attorney FRANCIS CORNELIUS REYNOLDS (1868-1940). This roorback was distributed before election day in November 1912 in which the Republican ticket of President William Howard Taft lost to T. Woodrow Wilson. But in Mineral County, West Virginia, the seat in the lower house of the state legislature stayed in safe hands. Frank Reynolds' father Francis Marion Reynolds (1843-1931) had previously held that seat with considerable distinction. In that same election F. M. Reynolds won re-election to that county's Circuit Court Judgeship. Both men were descended from Thomas Reynolds, brother to Christopher Reynolds, and founder of Ern Reynolds' line in Virginia 1622.

What Is a Roorback?

William Safire, *The New Language of Politics*, p.406, (1968)

Smear - The predecessor word was "roorback." In 1844, the pro-Whig Ithaca (NY) *Chronicle* published an excerpt from the journal of one Baron Roorback entitled "A Tour through the Western and Southern States." In it, Roorback told of seeing Democratic presidential candidate James K. Polk purchase forty-three slaves and have his initials branded on their shoulders. Others newspapers that shared the *Chronicle's* leanings toward Whig candidate Henry Clay reprinted the smear. As far as is known, the story was a complete falsehood, and no Baron Roorback existed. Polk survived the smear to win, and a "roorback" came to mean any false or

damaging story about a political candidate published too late to permit refutation. (Cf. Gutter Flyer.) Smear was popularized during the latter part of the Hoover administration...

Where Was Christopher Reynolds of Virginia In 1634?

Here's why we can't prove Christopher Reynolds was a founding member and vestryman in 1634. He did adjure to leave England and one could not get elected a Burgess without the experience of serving on vestry first:

The first Vestry Book, 1632-1725, of St. Luke's Church, Smithfield VA, was buried to escape Tarleton in 1780. When dug up in 1810 it was bottom book and ruined by water, was still mentioned in present tense in 1900, not heard of after 1900.

Levi Reynolds of Indiana

History and Biography, Counties Of White and Pulaski Indiana

(Historical and Biographical. Illustrated. Chicago; F. A. Battey & CO., Publishers. 1883."page 387, Big Creek Township, White County, Indiana) [GenFor

LEVI REYNOLDS was born in this township March 7, 1850, and is one of five children, now living, born to Benjamin and Lydia J. (Gardner) Reynolds, natives respectively of Pennsylvania and North Carolina. Benjamin Reynolds, although he attended school but three nights in his life, acquired, by his own exertions a sound practical business education. When a young man, he settled in Perry County, Ohio, where he married, and soon after bought and operated a stage line from Vincennes to Toledo, following the Wabash and Maumee Rivers. In 1828, a distemper carried away many of the large number of horses used, leaving Mr. Reynolds almost penniless. In about 1830, he came to this county and began life anew. Being well acquainted with the country, he was employed to locate land on commission, which commission consisted chiefly in lands, and thus he became owner of from 15,000 to 20,000 acres in Indiana and Illinois. He was eminently a public-spirited man. He had a contract for excavating many miles of the State ditch, a part of which he sub-let. He was largely influential in locating and building the N. A. & S. R. R., and also the Pan Handle Railroad, in both of which he became a large stockholder. He was also interested in the

Junction Railroad, and in 1854 or 1855 had the misfortune to lose \$100,000 by that concern. His first wife bore him five children, four of whom are yet living. He married his second wife, LYDIA J. GARDNER, at Vincennes, in 1839 or 1840. She is now living at Monon, this county, and is a member of the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Reynolds laid out the town of Reynolds, which was named for him by GOV. WILLARD. During the late war, Mr. Reynolds met with his second financial reverse, having to pay over \$40,000 bail debts. From this, however, he had nearly recovered before his death, June 6, 1869, at his home in this township. Levi Reynolds and a brother cultivated the home farm after the father's death, until the same was sold under administrator's sale and bought by the mother, and the estate divided. In 1878, he went to Monticello, and engaged in the livery and saloon business until 1881, when he returned to the farm. He was married in September, 1879, to Mary E. Cooper, a native of Perry County, Ohio, who has borne him two children — Roy H. and Glenn C. Mr. Reynolds is Road Superintendent of the township, is a member of Brookston Lodge, No. 66, A. F. & A. M., and in politics is a Democrat."

Deed of Colony Agents to James Reynolds, Jr.

From 1906 Annual Reunion, Wickford RI

(This deed is the first in which the name of Reynolds occurs in the town of North Kingstown Land Evidence Records)

Know all men by these presents that we Weston...
...Holden and Phillip Tillinghast being a committee
app...by the Governor & Company of this... Rhode
Island and Providence Plantations to Dispose...
vacant lands belonging to this Colony in the Nara...
...ave for and in consideration of the sum of
seventy...ney of New England in hand already well
and...nalds of Kingstown in the Colony above sd
Have ... nfeoffed made and passed over from the
Govnr for ...ng above sd and their Successors
forever a certain ...land, being part of the Vacant
Lands belonging...lying in the Narragansett Country
within the juris...ng Butted and bounded Northerly
upon Greenwich Pur...nes Purchase Southerly on the
New Country Rhode...to Thomas Willcocks &
Partners, Containing Sev... the Same more or less
according to the Mapp or pl... Mumford Surveyor
All which within the bounds abo...ith the privileges
& appurtenances there in Contai...as above sd unto
the above sd James Renalds h...family and assigns

To Have and To Hold for Ever the ...ill warrent
forever Against the Gov and Compa...above said
or their Successors or any other person or ...
Lawfully Claiming the above bargained prem ...
parcel thereof by through or under them the sd ...
their successors under what pretense so ever.. have
here unto Set our hands and Seals this ... y in the
year 1712

.....Sealed and delivered ...

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Colony of Rhode Island

("The above deed is recorded in Book 2, Land
Evidence Records of the Town of North Kingstown,
RI, p. 29. The particulars of the deed as given by
Potter in his 'Early Narragansett' are as follows:
"May 8, 1712. Committee to James Reynolds, 75
acres as platted. North___ by Greenwich Purchase;
West—on Thomas Wilcox and partners; East—on
Fones' purchase; South—by New County road.

Vide Potter, "Early History of
Narragansett", p. 219.

(In all probability this is James Reynolds Junr., son
of the original James.)"

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Francis Allred. E-mail: fenixmoon@earthlink.net.
Searching for John David Reynolds or Ruben
Andrew Reynolds...supposedly Guilford Co. NC.
John David b 1728 married Mary Martha Gay. Ruben
Andrew married Margaret "Peggy" Brown. My
grandfather, their first son, was born 1867.
Will appreciate any help with these!!!

Marc S. Reynolds, 17809 Sandy Ford Rd,
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marcreynoldssailmaker@i-c.net. My brick wall is at
Huston Reynolds 1770s, d. IL, m 1795 Chester Gap
VA Mary Lockridge who d. in IL. I am interested
especially in the lines of Gov. John Reynolds of IL
(1788-1865), Hugh Reynolds of County Louth,
Ireland and Houston Reynolds b 1735 Co. Louth who
m. Mary Given in 1757.

**See More Reunion Information On
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Documented Early American Reynolds' Ancestor Lines (American Progenitors)

Code Year Name

- 11 1650 John & Ann Holbrook of Weymouth & Stonington CT
- 12 1630 Robert & Mary () of Boston MA
2832
- 13 1634 William & Alice Kitson of Duxbury MA & Cape Porpoise ME
- 14 1643 James & Deborah () of N. Kingstown RI
- 15 1650 John & Sarah Backus of Saybrook, Lyme & Norwich CT
- 16 1725 ___ Reynolds & ___ Crook of Washington Co. MD
- 17 1622 Christopher & Elizabeth of Isle of Wight VA
- 18 1676 Henry & Prudence Clayton of Lancaster Co. PA
- 19 1678 Eleonora & Mary Pease of Salem & Middleboro MA
- 20 1634 John & Sarah () Watertown MA, Wethersfield & Stamford CT
- 21 1682 John & () of DE
- 22 1708 Richard & Mary Capers, Benjamin & Mary (), William ()
of St. Helena's Parish SC
- 23 1700 John & Elizabeth () of Kent Co. DE
- 24 1635 Katherine Reynolds and Edward Starbuck of Dover NH &
- 25 Line not determined (Stonewalls)
- 26 1637 Thomas & Mary of Isle of Wight VA
- 27 1640 William & Ann Harrison of York Co. VA
- 28 1660 John & Naomi Latimer of Wethersfield, CT
- 29 1652 Thomas & Susan Snead of York Co. VA
- 30 1784 James & Mary Bannon, Margaret & Andrew Forgey,
Ellen & () McDaniel of Co. Louth IRE & Knox Co. TN
- 31 1850 William & Rebecca Tawn of Moulton, ENG & Grinnell, IA
- 34 1886 Thomas & Bigham Stuart of Scotland & Scranton PA
- 35 1703 James & Susanna () Reynolds of Essex Co. VA
- 36 1829 John & Mary Thornton Ashton, England, QUE, NH

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