

# ONE LINE OF DESCENT, THOMAS ALLEY, JACOB NEED & ALLIED FAMILIES

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A law suit 11 May, 1841 of Andrew Francis, husband of Elizabeth, Scott Co., Va. shows none of the rest of Nicholas Darter's heirs lived in Va.

There was a Nicholas Darter who married Eve Finwell, and he had a son Nicholas Darter, Jr., but this was not our line. All the Darter brothers seemed to name their sons for each other, so it makes it a little hard to keep them straight. This Nicholas seemed to be quite wealthy and lived in Wythe Co., Va. after our Nicholas moved to Scott Co.

The paper Alexander Darter, whom we think must be the father of our Nicholas, witnessed read: "Wm. Livingston to John Wood of the Co. of Russell 70 pounds 700 acres in Russell Co. on both sides of Mockason Creek and granted to said Livingston by patent dated Dec. 19, 1787. Witness: Samuel Rhea, Alexander, George Williams, James Owens, Sr."

It is reasonable to assume that he was a son of Johann Anthon Dorther (Darter), b. ca. 1729 in Laubach, Germany and Maria Elizabeth Kurtz, who were married ca. 1745. They left Darmstadt, Germany with two sons in 1749 on the ship Jacob, arriving in Philadelphia that year, migrating to N. C. about 1765 according to "The Darter-Tarter Family History".

Their children as listed in this book:

- i. Nicholas b. ca. 1746 in Germany, m. 1st Maria Parcell, Lincoln Co., N. C. (Not our line.)
- ii. Jacob b. ca. 1748 in Germany
- iii. Balzar b. ca. 1750
- iv. Peter b. ca. 1758
- v. Alexander b. ca. 1760

There is no proof that these were all Johann's children, but his son Nicholas married Maria Parcell in Lincoln Co., N. C. and had five children born there before going to Wytheville, Va. ca. 1780. There was no further information on Johann and Maria Elizabeth after their arrival in this country. There is quite a lot on the above-mentioned sons in Wythe Co., Va. Our Darter line definitely came from the German line and not an earlier English line because they had German signatures on records I saw on microfilm in Salt Lake City.

Records on Michael Venrick and Elizabeth Venrick, parents of Eve Venrick, wife of Nicholas Darter, were from Wythe Co., Va. on microfilm in Salt Lake City at the Genealogical Society Library, and it showed the marriages of his daughters as follows:

- i. Caty Venerick m. 14 June 1793 John Althance
- ii. Susanna Venrick m. 14 July 1795 Peter Peck
- iii. Sarah Vinnerick m. 2 June, 1803 Christian Kettering
- iv. Eve Vinnerick m. 16 Aug. 1798 Nicholas Darter

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The same source showed under Wythe Co. Deeds Index:

Grantors: Feb. 9, 1801 Michael & Elizabeth Venrick  
April 10, 1804 Michael (only)  
Dec. 10, 1810 " "  
Aug. 9, 1827 " "  
Oct. 3, 1839 Julia Venrick (have copy of her will and she left no descendants.)

Michael Verick on 1790 Montgomery Co., Va. census with one poll (one male over 16) and no slaves.

Michael Wenerich on 1810 Wythe Co., Va. census with him 45 plus, three females under 10, and 1 female 16-26.

No record of him after 1827.

The booklet "1800 Tax Lists & Abstracts of Deeds 1796-1800 of Wythe Co., Va.", by Netti-Schreiner-Yantis shows on p. 304 of Deed Book #2: 1797 Michael, Sr. and Mary Criger to Michael Venrick, 95 A. for 60 pounds. Also on p. 112 these same people sold 328 A. on south fork of Reed Creek known as Elk Pond Tract, adjacent to Michael Wenrick to George Tauney in 1797. On p. W5 same booklet Michael Winrick is shown on 1800 tax list of Va. with 1 male over 16, no slaves and 5 horses.

Michael Venrick was on the Personal Property Tax List of Montgomery Co., Va. for 1789 with no males between ages 16-21, no slaves and 3 horses. All the Darter-Tarter families except Alexander also there.

Michael Venrick on the tax list "C" of Wythe Co., Va. in 1793. His land on South Fork Reed Creek. There is a stream called Venrick Run in Wythe Co.

I think the Venrick line started with Benedictus who was listed in "Swiss & German Settlers of Pa.", by Eshleman. P. 204 showed "1718 First Assessment List Conestoga which included all of Lancaster Co. from Strasburg to the River and as far north as what is now Manheim. Mennonites: Benedictus Venrick."

"Notes & Queries Relating to Pa.", by Egle, First & Sec. Series Vol. II showed on p. 131 "Conestogoe Assessment for 1718. Chester Co. Pa. (This particular area included section which is now Dauphin Co. P. 132 Dutch & English Inhabitants listed. Dutch - Benedictus Venrick Tax 8 S 9d.

"Records of Craven Co., N. Car.", by Elizabeth Moore, Vol. I Genealogical Records Bladensburg, Md. shows:

P. 5 - 1728, May 3 Robert Pitt sells to Benedictus Verery 180 A. at mouth of Neuse River on Green's Creek. c.1

P. 11 - 17 Apr. 1744 Benedictus Vendirck sells to Robert Peat, mariner of N. Y. 150 A. on north side of Neuse River, etc. from patent for 320 A., dated 14 Nov. 1713. c.3