

New for 2015
1813/15 Charlotte County, Virginia Chancery Case
Names Benjamin Tatum (~1730 to 1812/13) Descendants!
Much more Children of Stephen Tatom (ca1721 to 1789)
A Reconstruction of Early Tatoms from Colonial Virginia

New for 2016
John Tatum (~1758 to 3 August 1824 Dickson County, Tennessee)
And details on his Children
Three Sons of Barnett Tatum (1740/44 to >1821+)
Details - Children of John Tatum "II" (~1760 to 1833 Lincoln Co., Ga.)

Researcher - James R. Murphy, previous 1 December 2015; revised 5 February 2016. Warning – There are many missing details and major issues which still need resolving. The Tatoms earliest years in America are a mess, mostly from the lack of findings. Time is now to put together what is known. Thanks go to Gary Tharp for his help and sharing his information. This chapter has two parts.

Summary of Part One: Abel Tatom - Possible Immigrant

Abel Tatom (7 February 1642 - English Baptism date – candidate for possible immigrant) – 1st Generation Immigrant. Virginia Counties: In 1667 York; in New Kent before 1683; in (Old) Rappahannock/Essex after 1683. Only one son known – John Tatom, but are there more? Is the 2nd generation John Tatom the correct ancestor progenitor?

John Tatom (ca1680/90 to __), son of Abel Tatom – candidate for possible 2nd Generation. Virginia Counties - King William in 1722, Spotsylvania in 1726. Almost nothing is known about him and little to connect him with later Tatoms except for the spelling and location. Some Tatom descendants believe this is the wrong John Tatom and their Tatoms came from Norfolk County, Virginia. They do site evidence, reported in this chapter. Also, there is a developing line of Tatum/Tatoms in nearby early Northampton County, Virginia. Whoever the correct progenitor, the following Tatoms are brother and sisters as noted by (I) to (VII) in the 1774 Susanna Tatom Fullilove will:

Summary of Part Two: Seven Children of ??? Tatom* (born ca1680/90)

* First name likely to be "John"

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- (I). John Tatom "I" (ca1715/20 to 1794) + Sarah. Granville Co, NC and Wilkes County, Ga.
Children (1) to (9): (birth date estimates need much better accuracy)
- (1). Absalom Tatom (1742 to 1802 per gravestone, Wake Co. NC). Bachelor. Sometimes written as "Abraham Tatom/Tatum" in records. Key will.
 - (2). Barnett Tatom + Mary Thompson
 - (3). Abel Tatom (_ to 1798 Ga) + Milly Harris
 - (4). John Tatom Jr or "II" (died 3 November 1830) + Rebecca Stovall + Martha Hicks
 - (5). William Tatom + Polly _
 - (6). Henrietta Tatom (died ~1793 Ga) + John Fullilove

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- (7). Elizabeth Ann Tatom + William Hicks
- (8). Abner Tatom (1755 to 1819 Madison County, Al) + Mary Currin
- (9). Keziah Tatom + Jesse Newby + Samuel Goodwin.
- (II). Stephen Tatom (ca1721 to 1789 Orange County, NC) + Mourning __. Spotsylvania, Virginia and Orange County, North Carolina. Children (1) to (10):
 - (1). Stephen Tatom + Sally Owen
 - (2). John Tatom (1758-1824)
 - (3). Sarah Tatom; (4). Anna Tatom,
 - (5). William Tatom (1760-1847)
 - (6). Elizabeth Tatom; (7). Francis Tatom (m); (8). Rizia (Kezia?) Tatom
 - (9). Mary Tatom; (10). Jemima Tatom
- (III). Nanny Tatem Graves
 - (1). John Graves
 - (2). Stephen Graves
- (IV). Jemima Tatom Carrington
- (V). Sarah Tatom Chandler
- (VI). Benjamin Tatom (~1730 to 1813) + Mary Gravit or Gravitt: Lunenburg Co., Va. Children (1) to (13):
 - (1). Reubin Tatum (~1752) + Ann Crafton
 - (2). Joseph Tatum (~1755) + __
 - (3). William Tatum (~1759) + Mary
 - (4). Benjamin G. Tatum + Polly
 - (5). John Tatum + __
 - (6). Mary Tatum + Daniel Lefoe
 - (7). Susanna Tatum + John Haley
 - (8). Orinia Tatum + William O. Fullilove
 - (9). Lucy Tatum
 - (10). Charity Tatum + James Robertson
 - (11). Wealthy Tatum + Thomas Stokes
 - (12). Sarah Tatum + Elam Lewis
 - (13). Gravit or Gravitt Tatum + Mary
- (VII). **Susanna Tatom Fullilove; Has key 1774 Will naming brothers and sisters.** Husband is never named. Husband may be Thomas Fullilove, but haven't seen the evidence. (Use of "ca1720" is a speculative date estimate with little evidence for its basis. Use of "~1720" is a better estimate.)

Summary of Part Three - Miscellaneous Information: (1) Tatom/Tatums who can't be placed - (a) John Tatum (died 1725 Northampton County, Virginia + Will), (2) Thomas Tatum (died 1769 Currituck County, North Carolina, (3) Samuel Tatom (died 1772 York County, Virginia + will), (4) Richard Tatom (1730 – 1790 Bladen County, North Carolina.

Part One – One Possible Immigrant – Abel Tatom

Abel Tatom – Possible Progenitor Candidate – 1st Generation Immigrant

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Abel Tatom: Baptized 7 February 1642 at All Saints Church, Leicester, Leicestershire County, England, parents being "George and Grace Tatom."** Possible progenitor and immigrant to Virginia. Abel is a very obscure individual. Originally noted by David Wilson.*

Earliest known record in America: 1667

Married: Name of wife has not been identified.

Children: Only John Tatom (born ca1680/1690) known so far

Died between 1691 and 1722.

Parents: George and Grace Tatom of Leicestershire County, England. ** *Warning – Possible descendants did not use the names of George or Grace, but their children's names are compatible.*

Brothers/Sisters (not children) - all Baptized at All Saints Church, Leicester: (1). Grace Tatom (2 July 1627), (2). Francis Tatom (female – 13 May 1631), (3). Anne Tatom (19 January 1633), (4). John Tatom (26 March 1637), (5). William Tatom (21 May 1641). *Did John Tatom (1637) come to America?*

Virginia Counties identified for Abel Tatom: (1). 1667 - York; (2). +/- 1683 New Kent (probable home site); (3). 1683 to 1722 - (old) Rappahannock which became Essex County in 1692; (4). Possibly King William County.

* David Wilson, 27 March 2006 posted on GenForum.com under Tatum/Tatom Surname.

** England, Select Births and Christenings 1538-1975 on ancestry.com

Research frustrations: There are so few findings, that one might reasonably question whether the correct locations have been found.

King William, New Kent, King and Queen Counties lost their county records, with partial losses in surrounding counties. Abel and/or John Tatom do not appear on the important 1704 Virginia property owner's tax to the King called the "Quit Rents of Virginia 1704." Quit Rents included all Virginia Counties including "burned" counties, except counties north of the Rappahannock River which went to the Lord Fairfax families; i.e. Richmond County. A 1715 Essex County Quit Rent still exists and again, there is no Tatom family by any spelling. Renters were not part of these lists.

New Kent County, Virginia is one of these badly burned counties for records. The Registry and Vestry for Saint Peter's Parish of New Kent County still exists. No Tatoms are named in the 1680-1787 Parish Registry!

The Fulliloves were a family closely allied with them. In the 1704 Virginia Quit Rents, Thomas Fullalove owned 100 acres in King William County, Virginia. King William lost all of its county records from a courthouse fire in 1785. There were several church parishes in early King William County, the earliest being St. John's, founded in 1680. This St. John's Church still exists but not their Parish records. Anything new on the earliest Tatoms is likely to come from surrounding counties, religious lists, provincial records, or obscure records filed in England.

Details for Abel Tatom

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1667 January 24 - York County, Virginia: Abell Tatum is listed as a witness in a defamation suit.

(Record Book 4/163-164 per David Wilson)

1683 August 4 - (old) Rappahannock County, Virginia: Stephen Bembridge, Planter of Rappahannock County deeded to Abell Tatom, planter of New Kent County 150 acres on the Calf Pasture Branch, adjoining Michall Raughtery and Mr. William Clayborne. Signed: Stephen "x" Bembridge. Witnesses: James Harrison and John "X" Hewitt. Recorded 28 August 1684?. (Rappahannock County Deed Book 7, page 120/121.)

1691 October 2 - (old) Rappahannock County: Daniel Phates, Planter, of Rappahannock County deeded to Samuel Coats of same county, 300 acres formerly taken up by Stephen Benbridge, lying and being in the Parish of South Farnham in Rappahannock County, bounded as followeth, land that was formerly old Thomas William and adjoining Abell Tatum's land, to James Newballs land. Signed: Danll. Phatres. Witnesses: John Collivowe, Leon Williamson. Entered 7 October 1691. (DB 8/263)

Notice the terminology in "Abell Tatum's land." This suggests Abel was not living there in October 1691. One might speculate he was still in New Kent County.

(Old) Rappahannock County was established 1652 from Lancaster County and abolished in 1692. Its records ended when it was cut up into two counties: Essex County (founded 1692) and Richmond County (founded 1692). This is not the same as today's Rappahannock County, Virginia. 1722 September – Essex County, Virginia: John Tatom of St. John Parish, King William County deeded to Thomas Coleman for 10 pounds, 160 acres land of Abel Tatom, father of John. Abel Tatom had bought this land of Stephen Benbridge. (Essex County Deed Book 1721 #4, page 102)

Harris adds this deed also mentions "bordered on the Bestline of Col. William Clayborne."* "Bestline" should be "west line."

The following might be a clue to the location. On 16 April 1683, Stephen Bembridge and Thomas St. John were granted 110 acres joining the land of Col. William Clayborne - deceased, to the swamp of Peanketank. This stream is now spelled Piankatank Swamp and is a stream, also called Dragon Swamp. Calf Pasture could be a branch of or at least near the Piankatank such as the Rappahannock River to its immediate north. The Piankatank divides several counties with Middlesex and Essex on the north side and Gloucester, King & Queen, and King William on the south side. Augusta County, Virginia also has a Calf Pasture Creek, but during these years, this area was Indian lands and was not settled until 1740. Easternmost counties of Lancaster and Middlesex were established before 1683 and should not be within Tatum's deed. * Old New Kent County, Virginia by Malcolm Hart Harris, page 517.

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(1). Major Absalom Tatom (born 1742 and died 20 December 1802 in Raleigh, Wake County, North Carolina, and buried City Cemetery), son of John Tatom "I" (ca 1715 to 1794). Some records spell him as Abraham Tatom, which may derive from being called "Abe." Birth and death dates are from his grave stone. No wife or children are mentioned in his will. Absalom Tatom was a land speculator in many counties as far away as Tennessee. He ranged widely and was likely influential to guiding relatives to new locations.

"Absalom Tatom (1742 to 20 December 1802), military leader, delegate to the Constitutional Convention of 1788, and a member of Congress, was born in Granville County. He first appears in NC records as a sergeant in the local militia in 1763. On 1 September 1775, in anticipation of the Revolutionary War, he was commissioned first lieutenant in the First North Carolina Continental Regiment; he was promoted to Captain on 19 June 1776. The reason of his resignation in the fall, on 19 September, is unknown, but on 15 August 1778 he enlisted in state service as assistant quartermaster and keeper of the arsenal at Hillsborough. Before the end of the year he also became contractor for the town. He resigned both positions when commissioned Major of the detachment of North Carolina Light Horse on 12 February 1779, but in July he was named clear of the Randolph County Court and later in the year was elected to represent that county in the House of Commons. ...In 1782, the Continental Congress named him one of three commissioners to survey lands to be granted to Continental soldiers in the western territory that later became Tennessee. ...In 1782, Tatom served as private secretary to Governor Thomas Burke and as the state tobacco agent. ...In May 1785 he was elected surveyor of North Carolina by the Continental Congress and soon afterwards was named by the state as a commissioner to sign paper money. In 1788, he was a delegate to the Constitutional Convention as well as the Hillsborough borough representative in the legislature. He served in the next six sessions as well but died shortly before the end of the last one. ...Available records make no mention of Tatom's family, marital status, or religious affiliation...."

From "Dictionary of North Carolina Biography, Volume 6, page 5, 1996 edited by William S. Powell

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1763 March 24 – North Carolina: "We the undersigned Subscribers do hereby Acknowledge to have received of Robert Harris, Colonel of the **Granville Regiment** of Militia, the Sums opposite our respective names in full for Our Services, in protecting the publick peace at Hillsborough in Sept. last. Dated 24 March 1763: (Names include) Abraham Tatom, Sergt. 2 pounds, 8 shillings, for 12 days. Received by includes: "Abra. Tatom." Granville County: the within Receipt was proved by the Oath of Colo. Robt. Harris...and Sworn before me. Sherwood Harris, J.P. 7 October 1769.

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North Carolina Militia Returns 1754-1755, 1758 and 1767 by Mountain Press, 2008, pg 89

1775 and 1776 - North Carolina: Register of Continental Troops Mustered into the Service of the United States, 1775 and 1776:

First Battalion: Lieutenants: (include) Abraham Tatum

History of North Carolina: From the Earliest Discoveries to the Present Time by John W. Moore, volume II, page 443.

1778 – North Carolina: Laws of North Carolina – 1778; VI. And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that ... running the dividing Line between... Counties of Guilford and Randolph.... And Abraham Tatom, William Cole, John Hinds, John Collier and William Bell, commissioners for fixing upon the most convenient place for erect the Court House, Prison and Stocks for the County of Randolph.... And they are hereby empowered and required to run the said dividing Line between the said County of Guilford and the County of Randolph....

The State Records of North Carolina, Volume 24 Laws 1777-1788, Collected and Edited by Walter Clark, 1906, page 235.

1780 May – Middle Tennessee: “Absalom Tatom, signer of the Cumberland Compact, May 1780. His slave was taken prisoner by the Indians during their attack at Clover Bottom in 1780.”

1770-1790 Census of the Cumberland Settlements – Davidson, Sumner and Tennessee Counties (In What is Now Tennessee), compiled by Richard Carlton Fulcher 1990/2002, pg 119.

Clover Bottom is within the east side of today's Nashville, Tennessee.

1781 + 1782 Randolph County, North Carolina: Members of the North Carolina General Assembly from Randolph County, House of Commons: 1781 – J. Harper and Absalom Tatom; 1782 – Edward Williams, A. Tatom.

Historical Sketches of North Carolina, by Lippincott, Grambo, 1851, pg. 349.

1782 – Lincoln County, Kentucky: In August of 1782, Abraham Estes marched against the Indians who had just defeated Colonels' Trigg and Todd at the Battle of the Blue Licks where they buried the dead. The rest of the company returned to Lincoln County. Abraham Estes was ordered to stay at Blue Lick's as an Indian spy. He was assigned to protect the stores of salt that were laid up there for the use of the District of Kentucky, McAfee's Station under Capt. Moses Shelby, Isaac Shelby, Anthony Bledsoe and Abraham Tatum.

Lincoln County, Kentucky, by Turner Publishing, 2002, page 183

1781-1782, 1788, 1797 to 1802: Representative in House of Commons, North Carolina State Legislature: Absalom Tatom.

1791 June 29 – Davidson County, Tennessee: “Absalom Tatum, North Carolina No 11. By an Act for the relief of the Officers and Soldiers of the Continental Line, inconsideration of

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the services of Major Absolom Tatum, one of the Commissioners Guard, granted unto said Tatum a tract of land containing 5000 acres in Davidson County on both sides of the west fork of Big Harpeth River near the county line. Surveyed for said Absolom Tatum by James Sanders, D.S. agreeable to a Warrant No. (blank). Entry dated 21 July 1784. Feb. 16, 1786.”

Land Deed Genealogy of Davison County, Tennessee, 1783-1792, Volume 1, by Helen C. and Timothy R. Marsch, 1992, pg. 215.

1800 US Census of Orange County, Hillsborough, North Carolina: Absolem Tatom, male 45+ and no other members in household.

Last Will of Absalom Tatom 17 December 1802; probated February 1803.

I, Absalom Tatem of the Town of Hillsborough but now in the city of Raleigh do make, and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and forever following.

I give and bequeath to my friends, John Hogg, Catlett Cambell, David Ray, William Kirtland, and Duncan Cameron my negroes George, Cate, Sally and her child with their future increase young George and Jack to them their Heirs, Executors and Administrators, in Trust and in confidence that they will use their best endeavors to procure them to be unanticipated and set free for meritorious services rendered to me.

I give and bequeath to my said friends my Tract of Land and Plantation lying on the Chatham roads on the South side of Eno, with all the Stock of every kind crop, provisions and plantation utensils, thereto belonging to them their Heirs, Executors and Administrators in trust nevertheless for the use and benefit of the Slaves named in the foregoing clause and the future increase of the female part of them; but at all times to be subject to the disposal and control of said Trustees to be disposed of in the most advantageous manner for said Slaves.

I give and bequeath to Mary Willett, wife of William Willett of Williamson County in the State of Tennessee and to the child which she now has and which she may hereafter have five hundred acres of Land to be taken off the north-west corner of my Tract lying on Harpeth River in the County and State aforesaid, to them their Heirs and assigns forever.

I give and bequeath to my nephew Samuel Goodwin of the Town of Fayetteville and his Heirs and assign forever my houses and lots in the Town of Hillsborough with all the appurtenances thereto belonging.

I devise all the rest and residue of my Estate both real and personal of whatsoever kind or nature or wheresoever the same may be to my Executors herein after named to be sold at such time and in such manner as in their direction will be most advantageous for those for whom the proceeds are intended.

I give and bequeath to my eldest brother Barnet Tatom, the sum of two thousand dollars, to my nephew Samuel Goodwin, the sum of two thousand dollars, and to my Sister Elizabeth Hicks of Granville County the sum of one thousand dollars to be paid out of the proceeds of the sale above directed to be made.

Item, I give and bequeath to my Brothers Abner Tatom, John Tatom, and William Tatom, each of sum of one thousand dollars to be paid out of the proceeds of the sales above directed to be made – but if either of my said Brothers should be dead at the time of making this will, then the sum hereby given and bequeathed to him shall (pass) to his legal Heirs.

Item, I give and bequeath to the children or heirs of my deceased brother Abel Tatom the sum of one thousand dollars. To the children of my deceased sister Henrietta Fullylove, or

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their legal representatives the sum of one thousand dollars. To the children of my deceased Sister Kesiah Goodwin alias Newby, Samuel Goodwin excepted who is otherwise provided for the sum of one thousand dollars to be paid out the sale before directed to be made. And in all these devised it is my will and desire that if any of the children of my deceased Brothers and Sisters shall have died leaving children, then that such children stand in the place of and represent their deceased parent; and it is further my Will and desire that in all these cases the sum of money given to the children of a deceased brother or sister be divided among them equally share and share alike.

Item. I give and bequeath to my said Nephew Samuel Goodwin, all the furniture and other things belonging to my House in Hillsborough except such as are specifically given away to other persons, and it is my true meaning and intent that what is hereby given to the said Samuel Goodwin be held and considered to be over and above what I may have heretofore advanced to him or for his use.

I give and bequeath to my friend John Hogg my Good Watch, Key and Seal. I give and bequeath to my friend Duncan Cameron my Law Books.

I devise my Executors to pay to Lelah - negro woman have the property of James Hogg Esquire the sum of twelve pounds, as a reward for her attention to my in my illness.

Whereas two tracts of Land entered in the office of John Armstrong both in my name, one of which containing four thousand and five hundred and thirty acres or thereabouts was purchased and is apparently my property, but in reality is held to the use of sundry persons as will appear by papers in my possession. It is my Will and desire that my Executors do convey to the persons, so interested their respective quotas, warranting only from Persons claiming by from or under me, but no further or otherwise – This other tract of Three thousand acres granted to me for my Services as commissioner a second time for laying out Army lands, of this I have sold five hundred acres to old Mr. (blank) Maclin of Davison County in the State of Tennessee, if not already conveyed to me by John Nickols and Gent. James Robertson by virtue of a Power of Attorney heretofore granted them for that purpose; it is my Will and desire that my Executors do convey to W. Maclin said lands out of such part of the Tract as he my chose – one half of the remainder belongs to Gent. Robertson as a compensation for this service in locating and Surveying said land, which I desire my Executors to convey to him or his Heirs.

And for the purpose of ascertaining the true interests which William Moore and myself have in certain lands, lying in the County of Randolph, I think it right and just to declare that a tract of lands containing two hundred and fifty acres being a part of a tract known by the name of Lowes, and a tract of two hundred acres afterwards entered adjoining thereto on this locally and for which a Grant was obtained in my name alone, are the joint property of said William Moore and myself I held by us Tenants in common; adjoining to these two tracts on the North in one containing eighty acres bought of one Ruck this is my sale property – after the War the said William Moore and myself entered joining a tract of Land in said County containing six hundred and forty acres including the cross roads leading from Salisbury to Fayetteville and from Randolph old Court House to Fishers Ferry on Yadkin River, a Grant was obtained my name along but W. Moore is equally concerned as tenant in common.

It is further my Will and desire that after the death of old George and Kate his wife, the plantation devised in Trust for the use of my negroes shall be equally divided between Jack and Sally or their Heirs respectively, but if young George should perform to the satisfaction of my Trustees, they may at their pleasure give him an equal share with Jack and Sally or their Heirs in said tract of land, but the same during the lifetime of old George and Kate is not to be divided.

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In the management and disposal of my lands in the State of Tennessee, I recommend to my Executors to request the assistance of my friends, Major Abraham Murray and Gent. Daniel Smith, and desire that just compensation be made to them for whatever services they may render in relation thereto.

All the residue of my estate which shall remain after the payment of my debts and the legacies, herein specifically devised, I desire my be divided among and between my Brothers Barnet Tatom, Abner Tatom, John Tatom, William Tatom, my Sister Elizabeth Hicks, my nephew Samuel Goodwin, and the children of my deceased Brother Abel Tatom, and the children of my deceased Sister Henrietta Fullylove and Kesiah Goodwin, alias Newby, Samuel Goodwin excepted who is provided for as aforesaid, share alike; and where any of my Brothers are dead, it is my Will his children should represent him , and when any of the children of a Deceased Brother or Sister have died leaving children, it is my Will that the children of such deceased child should stand in his or her place and take accordingly.

Lastly I constitute and appoint Samuel Goodwin, John Hogg, Catlett Campbell and Duncan Cameron Executors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all formers wills. In Testimony of all which I have hereto set my hand and seal this 17th December 1802.

Signed, Sealed, Published and declared to be his last Will and Testament before us – Wm. Norwood, Ed. Jones, Lavin Alves, W. F. Strudwick. (signed). A. Tatom (seal).

I further make this a Codicil to my last Will and Testament. I give and bequeath to Thomas Hogg the son of James Hogg of the Town of Hillsborough the sum of two hundred dollars, this sum I desire my Executors as soon as convenient to place at Interest upon good Security to be paid to him when he shall arrive at the age of twenty one years. Signed, Sealed, Published and declared to be Codicil to his last Will and Testament on the 17 Dec. 1802. Wm. Norwood, Ed. Jones, Lavin Alves, W. F. Strudwick. (Signed) A. Tatom (seal)

Orange County, February Term 1803. The Execution of the foregoing last Will and Testament of Absalom Tatom, decd. Was duly proved by the Oath of Wm. Norwood a Subscribing witness thereto, also the Codicil was proved by the said Wm. Norwood, and ordered to be recorded. Test. Jno. Taylor, C.C.

North Carolina Estate Files 1663-1779, Orange County, Files for Absalom Tatom on familysearch.org, ^225 to ^229 images.

When Absalom Tatom died, he had ample assets to handle his mortgages and debts. Disposing his estate took years and was finally settled in 1829. Later, his Tennessee lands on the Harpeth River were reviewed by the Tennessee Supreme Court for survey problems.

North Carolina Estate Files 1663-1779, Orange County, Files for Absalom Tatom from familysearch.org, 490 images, familysearch.org. This will be abbreviated AT (for Absalom Tatom) and image numbers as ^000; i.e. (AT ^324).

(2). Barnett Tatom (1740/44 to >1821), son of John Tatom "T" (ca1715 to 1794), married on 20 August 1778 Granville County, North Carolina to Mary Thompson (county record). During the probate of his brother Absalom Tatom, Barnett Tatom lived in Wilson County, Tennessee (AT ^246). Absalom's will stated Barnett was his eldest brother. (But was Barnett older than Absalom?) Barnett's last known record was 5 May

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1821 when he sold his legacy land the same day to Asa Tatum in Wilson County, Tennessee and turned over any further inheritance to Asa Tatum (AT ^122). Barnett Tatom used the Tatum spelling. Children's names and will/estate administration for Barnett Tatom need to be found.

1771 North Carolina – Granville County Tax: Barnett Tatom, John Tatom

1776 Early Kentucky Territory: “Robert Fleming, assignee of Barnard Tatum by Richard Calloway this day claimed a Settlement and preemption to a tract of land in the district of Kentucky lying on a branch of Muddy Creek to include a lick known by the name of the Little Blue Lick on the path from this place to the log lick by the said Tatums raising a Crop of Corn in the country in the year 1776. Satisfactory proof being made to the court they are of Opinion that the said Fleming has a right to a settlement of 400 acres of land including the above location and the preemption of 1000 acres adjoining and the certificate issue accordingly.” (Certificate for 1400 acres of land)

Certificate Book of the Virginia Land Commission 1779-1780 by the Kentucky Historical Society, 1981/1992, pg. 77

1778 June 25 - Granville County, North Carolina: From Will Book – William Hicks relinquishes all rights, as per marriage contract with her, to the estate of his present wife Mourning, who was formerly the wife of John Hunt, deceased, and by whom she had the following named children, John, George, Samuel, James, Judith Hunt. The estate she owned prior to her marriage to me consists of 196 acres of land whereon she lives, 7 negroes, 4 horses, 30 cattle, hogs, and household goods, all to go to her children by John Hunt: Witnesses: Barnet Tatom, John Fullilove, John Tatom. (WB-?/185) *This researcher (JRM) speculates that this will is much more important than it superficially appears.*

Abstracts of Wills and Estate Records of Granville County, North Carolina by Zae Hargett Gwynn 1973, page 85.

1783 October 29 – Granville County: Barnet Tatom and wife Mary deeded land to Richard Wilkins (DB O/296)

Southern Kith and Kin by Jewel Davis Scarborough, 1958.

1784 North Carolina – Granville County Tax: Bernard Tatom

1785 April 22 - North Carolina: Revolutionary War Bounty Land Grant to Bernard Tatom, North Carolina, Private, 228 acres. *Barnet Tatom has a number of Tennessee land grants.* Revolutionary War Bounty Land Grants, Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck, 1996

1786 North Carolina State Census – Granville County, Fishing Creek District: Barnett Tatom – 1 w. male 21-60, 2 WM under 21 or above 60, 2 w. females any age

1787 and 1788 Davidson County, Tennessee: Two land grants to Barnard Tatom for 640 acres each, one being (*somewhere*) on the north side of Cumberland River and the other on the south side. In 1793, “Bernard Tatum” has more land grants in Davidson and Summer Counties, Tennessee.

1788 Granville County, North Carolina tax: (1) Barnard Tatom, Tabb's Creek District, 135 acres; William Tatom, Reed's District, 140 acres; John Tatum, Dutch District, 80 acres. Colonial and State Records of North Carolina, Volume 5, page 1270.

1788 July 28 – Summer County, Tennessee: Indenture from Barnard Tatom of Granville County, North Carolina to Briten Fuller, 640 acres a tract in Davison County on the south side of Cumberland River on Spring Creek. Witnesses: Anderson Pattillo, Samuel Fuller, Littleton Fuller. (DB 1/124)

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1795-1796 Sumner County, Tennessee Tax: Barnard Tatum or Tatom

1798 Montgomery County, Tennessee tax: Barnard Tatum.

1799 August 10 – Davidson County, Tennessee: “I, Barnard Tatum of York County, State of South Carolina convey unto Jacob Patton a tract of land containing 640 acres on the waters of West Harpeth in Davison County adjoining a survey of Major Absalom Tatum’s 5000 acre survey being a tract granted by the State of North Carolina dated 20 May 1793.” Witnesses: Joseph Moore and John McClannahan. 4 Feb. 1799. (DB D/108)

Land Deed Genealogy of Davidson County, Tennessee, 1779-1803, Volume 3, by Helen C. and Timothy R. Marsh, 1992, , page 122.

1800 US Census of York County, South Carolina: Bernard Tatem, 1 male and 2 females 0-10, 1 male 10-16, 2 males and 1 female 16-26, 1 female 26-45, 1 male 45+

1800 Montgomery County, Tennessee Tax; Barnard Tatum

1810 Wilson County, Tennessee: Barnard Tatum sold land. In this same county was a Dabney Tatum, likely a son, in an 1804 tax record and in 1810 as bondsman for Abraham Whitson and Rutha Brown.

The Reconstructed 1810 Census of Tennessee, Charles A. Sherrill, 2001.

1820 US Census of Wilson County, Tennessee: Barnite Tatum, 1 male 16-26, 1 male and 1 female 45+. On same page as Dabney Tatum.

1821 May 5 – Wilson County, Tennessee: Letter from Barnard Tatum to executors of Absalom Tatum: Stated this day he sold his legacy land to Asa Tatum in Wilson County, Tennessee and turned over further inheritance to Asa Tatum (AT ^122).

Likely Children of Barnett Tatum and wife Mary Thompson include:

(i). Dabney Tatum (1779/80 per 1850 census to >1850+) - son of Barnett Tatum, has a marriage bond 9 January 1808 Wilson County, Tn. (county record) to Polly Whitson (1795/96 to >1850).

1804 Wilson County, Tennessee Tax: Dabney Tatum

~1810 Wilson County, Tn: Dabney Tatum was bondsman for Abraham Whitson and Rutha Brown. He also purchased land.

Reconstructed 1810 Census of Tennessee, by Charles A. Sherrill, 2001.

1830 US Census of Wilson County, Tn: Dabney Tatum – 2 males and 2 females 0-9, 1 female 10-15, 1 male and 1 female 26-44.

1840 US Census of Wilson County, Tn: Dabney Tatom – 1 male and 1 female 5-9, 1 female 10-14, 1 male 20-29, 1 male and 1 female 50-59.

1850 US Census of Wilson County, Tn: Dabny Tatum 70 NC, Mary Tatum 56 Va, Franklin M. Tatum 17 Tn. *Next to Orren Tatum (31).*

1856 Wilson County, Tn. Dabney Tatum has a will filed here – not seen (WB #120)

(ii). Ira Tatum (___ to 1826) - son of Barnett Tatum, has a marriage bond 21 January 1816 Wilson County (county record) to Patsy Edings (1794/95 to <1860+).

1820 US Census of Gallatin, Sumner County, Tennessee: Ireya Tatum 1 female 0-9, 2 females 16-25, 1 male 26-45

1826 July 24 – Sumner County, Tn: Will abstract of Ira Tatum. Wife Patsy – household and etc. Land to be sold. My children William Barnet (Tatum), Alfred Carroll (Tatum), Abner

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Marion Tatum to be educated to read write and arithmetic. My daughter Eliza Ann (Tatum) to read and write. Three sons not yet 15 years of age. Dabney Tatum and John Eddins to be Executors. Proved August 1826 (WB 2/42)

Sumner County, Tennessee Abstracts of Will Books 1-2 (1788-1842) on ancestry.com
1850 US Census of Sumner County, Tn: William B. Tatum 29 Tn, Sarah Tatum 26 Tn, Martha Tatum 3 Tn, Franklin Tatum 2 Tn, **Martha Tatum 55 SC**, Alfred Tatum 27 Tn.
1860 US Census of Cannon County, Tennessee: A. C. Tatum 34 Clergyman, Tn, Ann Tatum 24, Tn, Mary Tatum 7 Tn, George Tatum 5 TN, Martha Tatum 3 Tn, Eliza Tatum 10/12 Tn, "**Martha Tatom**" 64 SC

(iii) Asa Tatum (1791/80 to 1842/50) – son of Barnett Tatum, has a marriage bond to 22 September 1823 Wilson County, Tn. to Charlotte Harris (1801/1802 to >1850+) with surety Thos. Smith (county record).

1830 US Census of Wilson County, Tn: Asa Tatum - 1 male and 3 females 0-4, 1 male 5-9, 1 female 20-29, 1 male 30-39.

1840 US Census of Sumner County, Tn: Asa Tatum - 2 males 0-5, 1 male and 1 female 5-9, 1 male and 3 females 10-14, 1 male 15-19, 1 female 30-39, 1 male 40-49.

1850 US Census of Sumner County, Tn: Charlotte Tatum 48, Tn, Samuel Tatum 24 Tn, Sarah A. Tatum 23 Tn, Mary J. Tatum 22 Tn, Missouri Tatum 20 (f) Tn, Alfred Tatum 18 Tn, Robert Tatum 16 Tn, Malinda Tatum 14 Tn, Joseph Tatum 13 Tn, Elina? Tatum 11 (m) Tn, Nancy Tatum 8 Tn.

(3). Abel Tatom (died 1798 in Georgia), son of John Tatom "I" (ca1715 to 1794), married Milly Harris and lived in Wilkes County, Georgia.

1777 August 20 – Granville County, North Carolina: Giles Hudspeth of Surry County, North Carolina deeded land in Granville County to Abel Tatom of Granville County. (DB L/179)

Kinfolks of Granville County, NC 1765-1826 by Zae Hargett Gwynee, 1977, page 35.

1785 – Wilkes County, Georgia Tax: Abel Tatom, 1 ½ polls, 1 slave, 203 acres

1785 April 20 - Georgia: Revolutionary War Bounty Land grant to Abner Tatom, 350 acres.

Revolutionary War Bounty Land Grants, Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck, 1996

1798 November 3 – Lincoln County, Georgia: Milly Tatom was appointed to administer the intestate estate of Abel Tatom, deceased. (WB B/14). In 1802, the estate paid out debt money to Isaac Tatom his legacy and to Stoval Pool.

1801 – Lincoln County, Murray District: Milly Tatom

1805 – Lincoln County, Dooly District: Milly Tatom

1810 – Lincoln County: Milly Tatom 400 acres, 202 1/2 acres on Soap Creek

Children of Abel Tatom and wife Milly Harris
Most information from the Absalom Tatom probate:

(i). Isaac Tatom (died 1805). In 9 November 1805, administratrix for Isaac's estate was Jane Tatom in Lincoln County, Georgia. On 7 February 1807, appraisement of Jane Tatom's estate took place (WB B/238). By 1818, Silas Tatom was noted as guardian of Isaac Tatom's children

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– Mary Tatom and John M. Tatom, both orphans of Isaac Tatom and wife Jane Tatom. (WB B/341, AT ^242, ^246, ^43, ^285 children).

(ii). Thomas Tatom (1789/90 to 1850++). In 25 July 1805, Milly Tatom was guardian of Silas Tatom, Thomas Tatom, and Francis Tatom (WB B/322). Thomas Tatom married 6 October 1808 Elbert County, Georgia to Sarah Davis (county record). In 4 November 1808, Thomas and Francis Tatom were still under legal guardianship of their mother, Milley Tatom. In 1826, Thomas Tatom lived in Monroe County, Georgia during Absalom Tatom's probate. (AT ^336, ^242, ^132) There is one rather odd letter stating Thomas Tatom was not a son of Abel Tatom but a son of Isaac Tatom. (AT ^164-165)

1850 US Census of Troup County, Georgia: Thos. Tatom 60 farmer Tn, Sarah Tatom 59 Tn, Nancy Tatum 39 Tn, George Tatom 23 Tn, (can't read name) 21 (m) Tn John Tatum 19 Tn

(iii). Frances "Fanny" Tatom married Meshack Turner. Lived in Lincoln County and February 1828 in Monroe County, Georgia during Absalom Tatom's probate. (AB ^135)

(iv). Polly or Mary Tatom married Stovall Pool. Mary Tatom Pool's history is confused, but both Stovall and Mary Pool apparently died in Lincoln County, Georgia during the Absalom Tatom probate. (AT ^165, ^330). They had a child named Bonetta Pool, born May 1808 with whom the grandmother Milly and others became guardians. (AT ^342, ^242, ^246, ^165)

(v). Silas Tatom (1786/67 to >1850+). Silas Tatom, Thomas Tatom, and Fanny Tatom (who married Mesheck Turner) were living in Lincoln County, Georgia and in February 1826 Monroe County, Georgia during the probate of Absalom Tatom (AT ^242). Silas Tatom married 4 April 1816 Lincoln County, Georgia to Patsey Mayo (county record).

1820 US Census of Lincoln County, Georgia: Silas Tatom, 1 male 0-9, 1 male 10-16, 1 female 16-26, 1 male 26-45, 1 female 45+

1835 Troup County, Ga: "Silas Tatum, tax collector for Troup County" allowed said collector a credit of \$127.50.

Acts Passed By General Assembly of Georgia, J. Johnston, 1836.

1850 US Census of District 699, Troup County, Ga: Silas Tatom 63 farmer, Ga, Martha W. Tatom 57 Ga, Isaac N? Tatom 32 farmer, Ga.

(4). John Tatom, "II" or Jr. (ca1760 to 30 November 1830 Lincoln County, Ga.), son of John Tatom "I" (ca1715 to 1794). "John Tatom, "II" married 1st to Martha Hicks 1 August 1782 in Granville County, North Carolina (county record). He married 2nd date uncertain in Lincoln County, Georgia to Rebecca Stovall (ca1780 to after 1850). During the lengthy probate of Absalom Tatom, John Tatom "II" lived in Lincoln County, Georgia. It appears that John Tatom "II's" youngest son (John H. Tatum) was born about 1820/21 when his father was about the age 60 and his 2nd wife Rebecca Stovall was about age 40-42.

1784 North Carolina – Granville County Tax: John Tatom, Jr.

1801 & 1805 Lincoln County, Georgia Tax: John Tatom

1810 Lincoln County, Georgia Tax: John Tatom with 250 acres + 100 acres, 10 slaves, Mill Creek.

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1820 US Census of Lincoln County, Ga: 3 males and 1 female 0-9, 1 male and 1 female 10-16, 1 female 16-25, 1 male and 1 female 26-45, 1 male 45.

1825 November 5 – Lincoln County, Georgia: Will of John Tatom (brief abstract) bequeaths to wife Rebecca most of estate; to daughters Susannah Morgan, Nancy Harris, Katherine Floyd, Emily Zellars, Henrietta Tatom, Elizabeth Tatom, Aurilla Redmonds; to sons Wiley G. Tatom, Leroy Tatom, Benjamin Franklin Tatom, Abner Tatom, Joseph W. Tatom, William S. Tatom, John H. Tatom. Some children need further education, but will does not name them. Executrix to be wife Rebecca Tatom. Witnesses: Charles Nathan, James E. Todd. John McDowde. Entered **5 January 1831**. (WB D 246/250 - online familysearch.org)

1830 US Census of Lincoln County, Ga: John Tatom - 1 male 5-9, 1 male and 1 female 10-15, 1 male 15-20, 1 male and 1 female 20-30, 1 female 50-60, 1 male 60-70

1840 US Census of Lincoln County, Ga: Mrs. Rebekah Tatom, 1 male 15-19, 1 male 20-29, 1 female 60-69.

1850 US Census of Lincoln County, Ga: Rebecca Tatom 68 NC, John H. Tatom 29 Ga, Elizabeth Starke 35 Ga.

Children of John Tatum "II" (ca 1760 to 1830)

- (i). Susannah Tatom, married a Morgan
 - (ii). Nancy Tatom married 19 October 1813 Lincoln County, Georgia to Joseph Harris (county record).
 - (iii). Catharine Tatom married 9 January 1820 or 1835 Lincoln County, Georgia to Alexander Floyd (county record).
 - (iv). Emily Tatom, married a Zellars
 - (v). Henrietta Tatom
 - (vi). Elizabeth Tatom
 - (vii). Aurilla Tatom married 18 February 1806 Lincoln County, Georgia to John Edmonds (county record, but misspelled)
 - (viii). Wiley G. Tatom (1791/1800 to 1840/50) married about 1820 to Nancy Zellars (17 November 1795) and lived in Lincoln County, Georgia.
 - (ix). Leroy Tatom (1791/94 to 1840/50) married 19 January 1818 Marion County, Mississippi (county record) to Elizabeth Stovall (1787 to after 1860+ and buried Terry Cemetery, Hinds Co, Ms. per findagrave.com). Leroy Tatom was a farmer and settled in Hinds Co., Mississippi.
 - (x). Benjamin Franklin Tatom
 - (xi). Abner Tatom
 - (xii). Joseph W. Tatom (1808/10 to 1850/60) married about 1832 Mississippi to Carolina A. — (1813/14 to >1860+). They farmed in Hinds County, Mississippi.
 - (xiii). William S. Tatom (1814/15 to after 1880) married 16 February 1843 Lincoln County, Georgia (county record) as "William S. Tatom Esqr." to Miss. Catherine Parks (1 October 1818 or January 1819 to 2 December 1900).
- Children of William S. Tatom and Katherine Parks, per census records: (1a). William G. Tatom (1844/46), (2a). Joseph Warren Tatom (January 1845), (3a) Wiley G. Tatom (1846/47), (4a) Thomas F. or Thomas L. Tatom (1848/49), (5a). Elizabeth Tatom (1851/52), (6a). John Tatom (1853/54), (7a). Rebecca E. Tatom 1852/53, (8a), Emily or Emma C. Tatom (1857/58), (xiv). John H. Tatom (1820/21) married 21 July 1859 Lincoln County, Ga. to Barbary A. Zellars (county record).

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(5). William Tatom (died about January 1804, last residence - Vienna, Abbeville District, South Carolina), son of John Tatom "I" (ca1715 to 1794), married Polly__. Polly by 1808 married 2nd to Williamson Norwood and they are noted living in Abbeville District, South Carolina. William Tatom's will named one son, Orval or Orville Tatom but no other brothers or sisters are mentioned or listed on the Absalom Tatom probate. Absalom Tatom's will indicates his brother William Tatom was living in 17 December 1802, but later died during the probate proceedings. (AT^246, ^349, ^353). In May 1826, (only) Orville Tatom and Williamson Norword of Abbeville District claimed legacy of William Tatom's portion of the Absalom Tatom estate (AT ^134).

Details for William and Polly Tatom:

Granville County - Must be separated from another William Tatom, son of Stephen Tatom

(possibly) 1784 May 4 – Granville County: William Ross and wife Elizabeth, and William Tatom and wife Margaret sold land jointly to Rowland Gooch. (DB O/316)

Kinfolks of Granville County, North Carolina 1765-1826 by Zae Hargett Gwynn 1974,

(possibly) 1784 – Granville County Tax: William Tatom

1786 Wilkes County, Franklin Section, Georgia: William Tatom in Capt. Harrington's District along with John Tatom and Abner Tatom.

1789 February 2- Georgia Deed: Elijah Clarke and wife Hannah of Wilkes County sold to John Clarke, Jr. of same county for 500 lbs., 2300 acres in Franklin County on both sides of Sandy Creek adjoining Wilie Pope and Benjamin Talliaferro, Samuel Patton and William Tatom. Witnesses. W.J. L. K. Pope, Thomas Wooten J.P. (Franklin County DB C/32)

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1799 June 13 – Wilkes County: William Tatom, plat for 500 acres on Cripple Creek, Greenville County, Washington District, Surveyed by Benjamin Arnold.

~~✗~~ **(6). Henrietta Tatom (died ~1793 Georgia), daughter of John Tatom "I" (ca1715 to 1794). Married John Fullilove, also spelled Fullerlove, Fullylove and had the following children:**

(i). John Fullilove lived in Oglethorp County, Georgia during Absalom Tatom's probate (AT ^246, ^473).

(ii). Susannah Fullilove married Benjamin Taylor and lived in Oglethorp County, Georgia during Absalom Tatom's probate (AT ^246, ^473).

(iii). Kesiah or Keziah Fullilove married William Ford and lived in Oglethorp County, Georgia during Absalom Tatom's probate (AT ^246, ^473).

(iv). Temp Fullilove married John Taylor and lived in Clark County, Georgia during Absalom Tatom's probate (AT ^246, ^473).

~~✗~~ **(v) Ludwell Fullilove lived in Wilkes County, Georgia during Absalom Tatom's probate (AT ^246, ^473).**

(vi). Sally Fullilove married John Pope (AT ^473)

(vii). Nancy Fullilove married Absalom Davis lived in Elbert County, Georgia during Absalom Tatom's probate. Nancy Davis noted she was a widow in July 1826 letter to Absalom Tatom executors. (AT ^246, ^473).

(viii). Thomas Fullilove lived in Orangeburg District, South Carolina during Absalom Tatom's probate (AT ^246, ^473).

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(ix). Jemima Fullilove married Benjamin Pulliam and lived in Franklin County, Georgia at the time of Absalom Tatom's probate (AT ^470, ^473, ^246). On 6 October 1807, Benjamin Pulliam of Franklin County gave Abner Tatom of Lincoln County, legal power to get the Absalom Tatom inheritance that fell to his wife Jemima Fullilove, daughter of Henrietta Fullilove, deceased.**

North Carolina Estate Files 1663-1779, Orange County, Files for Absalom Tatom on familysearch.org, 490 pages. Will be abbreviated AT (for Absalom Tatom) and image numbers as ^000.

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(7). Elizabeth Ann Tatom, daughter of John Tatom "I" (ca1715 to 1794), married 24 March 1778 Granville County to William Hicks. During Absalom Tatom's probate, they lived in Orange County, North Carolina (AT 246).

(8). Abner Tatom (born 15 October 1755 and died 1819 in Madison County, Alabama), son of John Tatom "I" (ca1715 to 1794), married Mary Currin 1780 Granville County, North Carolina. The probate of brother Absalom Tatom indicated that Abner Tatom lived at some point in "Madison County, Mississippi Territory" (AT ^246). *Comment: Madison County, yes, which was originally Mississippi Territory and became Alabama Territory.*

Leonard Andrea of Columbia, S.C. says, 'Abner Tatom was the first clerk of the Superior Court of Lincoln County, Georgia and the above family is found inscribed by him on one page of the Clerk of Court Records.' Abner Tatom was from Norfolk, Virginia and went to Granville County, NC; then to 96 Dist., SC; to Lincoln County, Georgia; and then to Madison County, Alabama."

Old Southern Bible Records; Transcriptions of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, edited by Memory Lee Aldredge Lester, pages 302-303

1819 September Term Court – Madison County, Georgia: Mary Tatom (*wife*), Barnett Tatom and John Tatom (*sons*) named in the last will of Abner Tatom became the executors and executrix of the last will of Abner Tatom (AB ^125).

Undated, location _ : Executors Bond for Abner Tatom Estate included Mary Tatom, Barnett Tatom, John Tatom, Joshua Falconer, William Lamkin and John M. Looney, all of Madison County.

Southern Kith and Kin: A Record of My Children's Ancestors, by Jewel Davis Scarborough, 1958, 373-374

Bible Record – Abner Tatom. "Abner Tatom (or Tatum), 5th child of John Tatom, Sr. & his wife Ann Wright of Norfolk, Virginia, b. 15 October 1755, married 3 May 1780 Mary Currin." *But is the Norfolk part accurate?*

Children of Abner Tatom + Mary Currin, from Bible Record:

(i) Elizabeth Ann Tatom (20 March 1781)

(ii) James Tatom (23 February 1783) married as James Tatom 20 November 1818 Lincoln County, Ga., to Elizabeth Bibb (county record). He is on the 1810 Lincoln County Tax with 400 acres on Soap Creek.

(iii) Absalom Tatom (7 August 1785) married 16 March 1809 Lincoln County, Ga., to Eliza W. Gonsham or Gresham (county record).

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- (iv) Cynthia Tatom (7 March 1788)
- (v) Barnett Tatom (14 February 1791) married 10 July 1820 in Madison County, Alabama to Mary S. Underwood.
- (vi) John Tatom (17 November 1793)
- (vii) Nancy Tatom (10 June 1798)
- (viii) William Tatom (29 November 1801 to 2 November 1802)

(9). Keziah Tatom, daughter of John Tatom "I" (ca1715 to 1794), married 1st to Jesse Newby.

* She married 2nd to Samuel Goodwin (Jr.) 29 March 1773 in Granville County, North Carolina (county record). ^^Samuel Goodwin, Sr.'s will in 1774 named wife Kezia, son Samuel, father-in-law John Tatom, brother, Lemuel. Proved 4 January 1775 Granville County, North Carolina. ^^ Keziah was deceased by the time of Absalom Tatom's December 1802 will. Samuel Goodwin (Jr.) moved to Wake County, North Carolina (State Capitol) and was a key executor of Absalom Tatom's will. Children of Keziah Tatom and husband Jesse Newby are:

- (i). John N. Newby of Abbeville District, South Carolina during Absalom Tatom's probate.
- (ii). Larkin Newby
- (iii). Henrietta Newby married Robert Rainford and lived in Fayetteville, North Carolina. (AT ^246)
- (iv). Hezekiah Newby. "One of four children, deceased," per March 1823 probate letter (AT ^56).

* There are several Jesse Newbys to separate.

II. Stephen Tatom "I" (estimated birth date reported 1721 by Arvis Tatom and died 1789 Orange County, North Carolina), son of ??? Tatom (born ca1680/90 and died __.) Walter J. Tatom reported that he married Mourning __ in King William County, Virginia, then lived Spotsylvania County, Virginia His son William Tatom stated he moved to Orange County, North Carolina about 1776 when he was age 16. Presumption here is that William moved with his father Stephen Tatom. Stephen and Mourning Tatom had 10 children. * Stephen used the "Tatom" spelling.

* Stephan Tatom and His Descendants, by Walter J. Tatom and John Plath Green, 1971.
children of Stephen Tatom "I" (~1721 to 1789) + and wife Morning, per will.

(1). Stephen Tatom "II," son of Stephen Tatom "I" and Morning Tatom. Stephen Tatom married 27 December 1799 Granville County to Salley Owen (county record).

1802 Franklin County, Georgia tax: Stephen Tatom. Same location as brother John Tatom 1800, 1802.

(2). Sarah Tatom - daughter of Stephen Tatom "I" (~1721 to 1789) and Morning Tatom

(3). Anna Tatom - daughter of Stephen "I" (~1721 to 1789) and Morning Tatom

(4). Elizabeth Tatom - daughter of Stephen "I" (~1721 to 1789) and Morning Tatom. Following may or may not belong here: Elizabeth Tatom married 17 November 1779 in Granville County, North Carolina to Fowler Jones, with John Tatom – bondsman.

Fowler Jones also was bondsman to William Tatem – Margret Wright marriage on 29 December 1781 and to John Tatom - Peggy Phillips marriage on 13 January 1781, all taking place in Granville County, North Carolina.

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(5). Francis Tatom (f) - daughter of Stephen "I" (~1721 to 1789) and Morning Tatom May or may not belong here: Frances Tatum married 10 August 1792 Granville County to Joseph Ellis.

(6). Rizia Tatom is (probably) Kezia Tatom - daughter of Stephen "I" (~1721 to 1789) and Morning Tatom

(7). Mary Tatom - daughter of Stephen "I" (~1721 to 1789) and Morning Tatom

(8). Jemima Tatom - daughter of Stephen "I" (~1721 to 1789) and Morning Tatom

(9). John Tatom (~1758 to 3 August 1824) – son of Stephen "I" (~1721 to 1789) and Morning Tatom, has a marriage bond 1st on 13 January 1781 Granville County to Peggy Phillips and had one child Polly Tatum born 23 December 1782. In 20 October 1783 Granville County, North Carolina, he has a marriage bond to Mary Wright (county record).

(10). William Tatom - son of Stephen and Morning Tatom, was born 11 January 1760 Spotsylvania County, Virginia (date a Bible record and date with location swore testimony) and died 24 September 1847 Dickson County, Tennessee, as documented per Revolution Pension application. William Tatom married 27 October 1813 Dickson County (not a county record) to Mary Wright (born ~1765 per pension application). It is not known if William had an earlier marriage. Note that both William Tatom and his brother John Tatom have a son Richard Tatom who could be confused.

Included in the pension file is the following Bible record which is "almost illegible:" John Tatum was born (illegible), Mary Tatum was born 24 April 1767, Polly Tatum born 23 December 1782**, James Tatum born 12 February 1785, John Tatum born 8 April 1787, Salley Tatum born 24 August 1789, William Tatum born March (illegible)*, Betsy Tatum born July (illegible), Stephen Tatum born 27 November 1797, Richard Tatum born 22 August 1799, George, born 22 October 1802, Nancy (originally named Margaret, but christened "Nancy") born 9 January 1805, (remainder unreadable except from 1808(?), but reported by others to be Jemima, Susan) Added at the bottom is "Cut from the Family Bible of John Tatum, dec'd this 14th day of May 1842. (Pension Application W999, Mary fn65NC.)

SAR Revolutionary War Graves Register, 2000 edition states John Tatum was born 1762 and died 1824, burial in Dickson County, Tennessee. Wife was Mary Wright.

Children of John Tatom (~1758 to 1824) per pension application: (ia), (i) through (xi)
Grandchildren of Stephen "I" (~1721 to 1789) and Morning Tatom
(Notice that John Tatom and brother William have a son Richard Tatom)

(ia). Polly Tatom (23 December 1782) from a 1st marriage John Tatom to Peggy Phillips.

(i). James Tatom (12 February 1785 and died ~1850 Dickson County, Tennessee), son of John Tatom (~1758 to 1824) + Mary Wright. James Tatom reportedly married 1st about 1802 to Ann Baker (needs proof) and 2nd about 1834 to Lucinda __.

1850 US Census of Dixon County, Middle District: Lucinda Tatom 40 Ky, Wm. B. Tatom 15 farmer, Tn, Lucinda D. Tatom 13 Tn, Epps J. Tatom 9 Tn, Montgomery B. Tatom 5 Tn, Margaret Tatom 25 Tn.

(ii). John Tatom (born 8 April 1787), son of John Tatom (~1758 to 1824)

(iii). Sally Tatom (24 August 1789), daughter of John Tatom (~1758 to 1824)

(iv). Betsy or Elizabeth Tatom (born July __) - daughter of John Tatom (~1758 to 1824).

(v). Nancy Tatom (originally named Margaret, but christened "Nancy" born 9 or 11 January 1805) - daughter of John Tatom (~1758 to 1824)

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(vi and vii - possibly). Jemima Tatom and Susan Tatom - daughters of John Tatom (~1758 to 1824)

(viii). William Tatom (born ~1790 NC and died 30 September 1844 Johnson County, Arkansas) - son of John Tatom (~1758 to 1824) and grandson of Stephen Tatom (~1721 to 1789). Reported to have married about 1815/17 to Elizabeth Richardson (1796 to 12 August 1861 Hunt County, Texas), daughter of Thomas Richardson. Children were born in Dickson County, Tennessee.

(ix). Steven Tatom born 27 November 1797 - son of John Tatom (~1758 to 1824)

(x). Richard Tatom (22 August 1799 Georgia to >1860) - son of John Tatom (~1758 to 1824):

(xi). George Washington Tatom (22 October 1802 to August 1879 and buried at Milan Cemetery, Centerville, Hickman County, Tennessee) - son of John Tatom (~1758 to 1824). He married Parthenia Murrell (1807 to 1902 and buried same cemetery)

Children of William Tatom (~1790 to 1844) and Elizabeth Richardson:
Son of John Tatom (~1758 to 1824) and grandson of Stephen Tatom "I" (~1721 to 1789).

- (a) Felix G. Tatom (12 Dec. 1834 to 22 November 1912 Hunt Co. Tx.) - son of William Tatom (~1790 to 1844), married Nannie E. Braley on 19 Dec. 1884
- (b) Marian Rose Tatom (2 March 1833 to 26 April 1877 Hunt Co. Tx) - son of William Tatom (~1790 to 1844), married 1st on 20 May 1861 Johnson County, Arkansas to Sarah Elizabeth Fritz; 2nd to Sarah Jane Pinnell
- (c) William Richardson Tatom - son of William Tatom (~1790 to 1844)
- (d) Alford C. Tatom (16 August 1827 to >October 1888 Josephine, Oregon) – single, son of William Tatom (~1790 to 1844)
- (e) James S. Tatom (>June 1820 to >April 1853 Johnson County) - son of William Tatom (~1790 to 1844) married Elizabeth L. ___.
- (f) Thomas Tatom (~1822 to 02 November 1846 San Antonio Texas) died in service with Mtd. Reg't Arkansas infantry
- (g) George W. Tatom (27 June 1825 to 19 October 1880 Hunt county, Texas) married Sarah Logan (29 January 1828 Arkansas to 25 September 1895 Hunt County). In Johnson County, Arkansas 1850 and Hunt County Texas in 1860.
- (h). Frances Ann Tatom (27 March 1826 to 14 March 1877)– daughter of William Tatom (~1790 to 1844). (Information from Gary Tharp, email December 2013 and website named above).
- (i) Winniford Rebecca Tatom (9 March 1831 to 15 June 1899 Miller County, Arkansas or Cass County, Texas) - daughter William Tatom (~1790 to 1844), married 1st on 14 Feb. 1850 Johnson Co. Ark. to Edward D. Curtis; 2nd Wiley P. Murphy; and 3rd on 22 December 1874 Cass County, Texas to Joseph Barber.

Children of William Tatum, Senior (1760-1844), per 1844 will - (i) to (v):
Grandchildren of Stephen Tatom "I" (~1721 to 1789) and Morning Tatom,

- (i). Benjamin Marshal Tatom (1815/16) – son of William Tatum, Senior (1760-1844) married 27 April 1844 Dickson County to Sarah Dotson (county record).

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1850 US Census of Middle District, Dickson County: Benj. Tatom 34 farmer, Tn; Sarah A. Tatom 25 Tn; William Tatom 5 Tn; Tabitha T. Tatom Tn

(ii). Thomas R. Tatom (1814/15) – son of William Tatum, Senior (1760-1844). Father's 1744 will notes he is living. Thomas R. Tatom married 9 August 1849 Dickson County to Martha Hudson (country record). Note that the marriage and census records differ on Martha/Margaret.

1850 US Census of Dickson County, Middle District: Thos. R. Tatom 35 blacksmith, Tn, Margaret G. Tatom 21 Tn; Mary Tatom 80 NC; Jennett Tatom 29 Tn. (p148b)

(iii). Richard Tatom – son of William Tatum, Senior (1760-1844). Father's 1744 will notes he is living.

(iv). Ann Shelby Tatom – daughter William Tatum, Senior (1760-1844)

(v). Jennetta Tatom -- daughter of William Tatum, Senior (1760-1844). See 1850 Census above for Jennett Tatom.

Continued – Children of __ Tatom (born ca1680/90)

(III). Hanney Tatom, daughter of ??? Tatom (born ca1680/90 and died __). Married a Graves.

(IV). Jemima Tatom, daughter of ??? Tatom (born ca1680/90 and died __). Married a Carrington

(V). Sarah Tatom, daughter of ??? Tatom (born ca1680/90 and died __). Married a Chandler

(VI). Susanna Tatom, daughter of ??? Tatom (born ca1680/90 and died __). (died ~1794). Married a Fullilove. See her will above.

(VII). Benjamin Tatom (~1730 to 1812/13 Lunenburg County, Va), son of ??? Tatom (born ca1680/90 and died __). Benjamin Tatom married Mary Gravit or Gravitt. Used the Tatum spelling.

Children of Benjamin Tatom/Tatum (~1730 to 1812/13) and Mary Gravit include:

Noted 1 - 13 as sons and daughters in the 1813/15 Charlotte County Chancery Case.

(1). **Reubin Tatom/Tatum** (~1751/53 to before 1813), son of Benjamin Tatom (~1730 to 1812/13). Appears on Lunenburg tax 1769, 1772, 1773, 1774 and under Benjamin Tatom's name in 1769. If Reubin was 16-18 in 1769, then his birth date could be estimated ~1751 to 1753. Age 16 is the earliest age a white male could appear on the tax records. Reubin Tatom married Ann Crafton about before 1777.

Marriage Bonds of Granville County, North Carolina

×Tatom, Barnet & Mary Thompson, 20 August 1778; Solomon Walker, bm, P. Henderson, wit

Tatom, John & Peggy Phillips, 13 January 1781: Fowler Jones, bm; Asa Searcy, wit

Tatom, John & Mary Write, 20 October 1783; James Cash, bm; Henry Potter, wit

×Tatom, John Jr. & Martha Hicks, 1 August 1782; William Hicks, bm; Bennet Searcy, wit.

Tatum, Henry & Patty Bass, 12 November 1838; Littleton Mitchell, bm; J. M. Wiggins, Witness

Tatum, Stephen & Salley Owen, 27 December 1799; George Browning, bm; H. Dalley, William

Tatom was born 11 January 1760 Spotsylvania County, Virginia Byars, wit.

Tatom, William & Margret Wright, 29 December 1781; Fowler Jones, bm; Bennet Searcy wit.

Jones, Fowler & Elisabeth Tatom, 17 November 1778; John Tatom, bm

Hunt, Presley & Mary Thweat, 21 August 1780; Abner Tatom, bm; John Searcy Jr., wit

×Goodwin, Samuel and Keziah Tatom, 29 March 1773; Robt. Bell, bm; William Hardon, wit

Brame, Thomas & Elizabeth Roffe, 11 Feb. 1778; James Brame, bm, Abner Tatom, wit.

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