

Descendants and Ancestors of John P. Hopper
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1. DAVID HOPPER¹ SR. was born 1650 in Bertie, North Carolina, and died in Bertie, North Carolina. He married ELIZABETH BRYON Abt. 1679, daughter of JOHN BRYON and ELIZABETH BRYON.

More About ELIZABETH BRYON:
Last Name: UNKNOWN

Children of DAVID SR. and ELIZABETH BRYON are:

2. i. DAVID HOPPER² JR., b. 1680, Bertie, North Carolina; d. 1766, Henry, Virginia.
- ii. HANAH HOPPER, b. Abt. 1681, Bertie, North Carolina; m. JACOB WHITEHEAD, 1757, Edgecombe, North Carolina; b. Abt. 1681, North Carolina.
3. iii. WILLIAM HOPPER, b. Abt. 1682, North Carolina; d. 1711.

2. DAVID HOPPER² JR. (DAVID HOPPER¹ SR.) was born 1680 in Bertie, North Carolina, and died 1766 in Henry, Virginia.

Notes for DAVID HOPPER JR.:

Not certain that the David Hopper records below belong to our David Hopper, Might be two different men.

David patented 640 acres of land on the Kankakee swamp 1735 and patented 100 acres in Edgecomb county, N.C. 1741.

Dr. David Hopper, at a general Biennial Assembly at Edenton for the said Province Nov. 5, 1735, C.R. 3-612.

David Hopper paid quit rents on 200 acres land in Edgecomb County, North Carolina to the King 1735, C.R. 22-244.

SOURCE: ret-bbh@unxmail.shsu.edu (Dr. Barry Hayes) Davie Hopper of Edgecomb Co. NC did not marry Elizabeth Freeman. He Married Elizabeth Bryon, daughter of John Bryan, whose will of 1734 notes "son and executor" David Hopper. David's brother-in-law was William Bryan who married Sarah Smith, daughter of Nicholis Smith of Scotland Neck and brother of my ancestor Aurthor Smith who married Ann Ruffin. See. Claiborne Thweatt Smith's book, Smith of Scotland Neck: Planters on the Roanoke (1976), pg. 9, also the Obidiah Hopper whom you list in Franklin Co. was a Hopper, another of my ancestors.

Children of DAVID HOPPER JR. are:

- i. ARCHIBALD³ HOPPER, b. 1699, Bertie, North Carolina.

Notes for ARCHIBALD HOPPER:

(don't know if this will is referring to this Archibald & Rebecca as it is believed his mother was Elizabeth Bryan not Freeman.)

Source: (will of Archibald & Rebecca Hopper's maternal grandfather)

To Archibald Hopper and Rebecca from Gabriel Freeman/ Book 6 p. 282. Gabriel Freeman of Rowan County, N. C. for love, good will &

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affection which I bear to Archibald Hopper and Rebecca Hopper, being Son and daughter of Elizabeth Hopper.....land on the Deep River Plantation whereon I now live.....Dated July 5, 1766. (This is a long deed and mentions Joseph Hopper and Nancy.

SOURCE: An Archibald Hopper is shown in 1790 Census in Randolph Co., N.C..

- ii. REBECCA HOPPER, b. 1701, Bertie, North Carolina.
Notes for REBECCA HOPPER:
See notes for Archibald Hopper.
- iii. JOSEPH HOPPER, b. 1703, Bertie, North Carolina.
Notes for JOSEPH HOPPER:
See Notes for Archibald Hopper.
- iv. NANCY HOPPER, b. 1704, Bertie, North Carolina; d. Bef. 1705, Bertie, North Carolina.
Notes for NANCY HOPPER:
Died as an Infant.

See notes for Archibald Hopper.

4. v. WILLIAM DECON HOPPER SR., b. 1705, Bertie, North Carolina; d. 1783, Matrimony Creek, Rockingham, North Carolina.

4. WILLIAM DECON HOPPER³ SR. (*DAVID HOPPER² JR.*, *DAVID HOPPER¹ SR.*) was born 1705 in Bertie, North Carolina, and died 1783 in Matrimony Creek, Rockingham, North Carolina. He married MARY ANN WRIGHT Abt. 1727. She was born Abt. 1710, and died 1747 in Matrimony Creek, Rockingham, North Carolina.

Notes for WILLIAM DECON HOPPER SR.:

He may not be connected to David Hopper. They lived near the NC/VA State line, owning land on both sides. They first lived on Matrimony Creek, a branch of the Dan River, in North Carolina and later some lived on Smith River in Henry County, VA.

William surveyed in Rockingham County, then Rowan County, in 1753.

In 1761 he obtained a grant of 710 acres. An additional grant of 510 acres from the Earl of Granville on May 10, 1762 was confirmed. In 1773 he signed a petition against moving the Courthouse in Guilford Co.

By 1783 he had died, all of his sons owned adjoining on Matrimony Creek in present Rockingham Co., North Carolina.

The following are believed to be his surviving sons in the area William Hopper Jr.; Darby Hopper; Joseph Hopper; Joshua Hopper and Thomas Hopper.

Source: Lewis M. Owens, Our Kentucky Kinfolks, 2824 Dan Patch Dr., Lexington, Ky 40511 and LDS Ancestral File.

September 28, 1776, Military Quartermaster SGT in Revolutionary War, June 14, 1778, went home from war.

Source for material below:GQu6383302@aol.com/The Hopper family of Leaksville, North Carolina by Ruby Huber Robertson, as told to her by Judge Henry Lane of Leaksville and her aunt Maude Roberts who owns and lives on the old Hopper Home 3 1/2 miles from Leaksville.

The Hoppers came from England, to the west Indies, then to Carolina and to Leaksville. William Came in 1752, surveying land with Shurton, Chief Surveyor of Lord Granville, who owned this part of North Carolina by grant of Charles II of England.

They first lived on Matrimony Creek, a branch of the Dan River, in N. C. and later some lived on the Smith River in Henry County. VA.. Matrimony Creek starts in Henry County, VA. and flows south into Rockingham City, NC. It empties into the Dan River near the the western city limits of Eden, NC. It was given it's name in 1728 by a member of William Byrd's surveying party, as they were establishing the VA. -NC. border. Several small branches that flow into it along the way are known as Matrimony Creek as well. There are a LOT of Hopper's in the area.

Most researchers think that the Hoppers in this area descended from Thomas and Ann Hoper, who resided in Culpepper City, VA. in 1745, moved to Caswell county, NC. by 1777, and their son William moved to Rockingham City, NC by 1778.

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More About WILLIAM DECON HOPPER SR.:

Military service: September 28, 1776, Military Quartermaster SGT in Revolutionary War.

Notes for MARY ANN WRIGHT:

Not sure if this is the right spouse. SOURCE is from an article written by Linda C. Vernon: "We have been unable to find a will for the first William Hopper, but we do know he was deceased by February 1783. At that time William Hopper Jr. and his wife Catherine conveyed to Thomas Hopper 185 acres of land on the north side of Matrimony Creek, it being part of the tract Lord Granville deeded to William Hopper Sr. and which land descended to William Hopper Jr. as an heir-at-law".

Deed Book 5, pg. 139, 10 May 1762, William acquired a land grant from lord Granville consisting of 510 acres situated in the Rowan County (later became Rockingham Co.)NC. on both sides of Matrimony Creek. Taken from article by Lyndia C. Vernon in Rockingham County Heritage (#541)

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Children of WILLIAM SR. and MARY WRIGHT are:

6. i. WILLIAM DEACON⁴ HOPPER, JR., CPT., b. 1730, Rockingham County, N.C.; d. January 03, 1825, Henry County, Virginia.
7. ii. THOMAS DARBY HOPPER, SR., b. August 12, 1732, Rockingham County, N.C.; d. 1820, Matrimony Creek, Rockingham County, North Carolina.
8. iii. DARBY HOPPER, SR., b. 1736, Henry County, Virginia; d. 1819, Henry County, VA..
9. iv. CHARLES HOPPER, b. 1738, Rockingham County, N.C.; d. 1790, Rockingham County, N.C..
10. v. JOSEPH S. HOPPER SR., b. 1738, Henry County, Virginia; d. December 09, 1822, Matrimony Creek, Rockingham County, North Carolina.
- vi. OBADIAH HOPPER, b. 1740, Matrimony Creek, Rockingham County, North Carolina.
Notes for OBADIAH HOPPER:
Twin to Joshua Hopper Sr., Source 1802 Tax List, 018, Franklin County, GA.
11. vii. JOSHUA HOPPER SR., b. 1740, Henry County, VA.; d. October 11, 1834, Rockingham County, North Carolina.
- viii. ANN HOPPER, b. 1742.

9. CHARLES⁴ HOPPER (*WILLIAM DECON HOPPER³ SR., DAVID HOPPER² JR., DAVID HOPPER¹ SR.*) was born 1738 in Rockingham County, N.C., and died 1790 in Rockingham County, N.C.. He married SUSANNAH SARAH Bef. 1772. She was born Abt. 1732 in North Carolina.

Notes for CHARLES HOPPER:

The following is from Leona Hopper Newbill's book on her Hopper Ancestors.

Charles Hopper lived in North Carolina where all of his 7 children were born. it is thought that he came from England, but it was more likely that he was born in NC. of earlier English ancestry.

He was living in NC at the time the Revolutionary War, but there is no known record of his having served.

in 1785 Charles owned land on the Deep River where the town of Worthville, in Randolph County, NC> now is located. The river crossing at this point was called Hopper' Ford and was in use until about 1899.

Charles 7 children were Jasper; William; Charles; Zachariah; Elizabeth; Thomas and John. All of them went to California eventually, via a route through Missouri, except Zachariah, who returned to NC. from Missouri.

Leona Hopper Newbill

Children of CHARLES HOPPER and SUSANNAH SARAH are:

16. i. THOMAS⁵ HOPPER, SR., b. Abt. 1766, Rockingham County, North

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- Carolina; d. December 23, 1851, Wellington, Lafayette, Missouri.
17. ii. JASPER HOPPER, b. March 13, 1772, Burke County, North Carolina; d. June 16, 1872, Cloversdale, Sonoma County, California.
18. iii. CHARLES HOPPER JR., b. Abt. 1776, Burke County, North Carolina; d. September 24, 1880, Yountville, Napa County, CA..
- iv. ZACHARIAH HOPPER, b. Abt. 1779, Burke County, North Carolina; d. North Carolina.
- Notes for ZACHARIAH HOPPER:
Zachariah did not go to California, but went back to NC from Missouri. Info from "Reminiscences of the hopper Families..." by Leona Hopper Newbill. No date Copy in possession of Wayne Simon, Twaine Harte, CA.
19. v. ELIZABETH 'BETSY' HOPPER, b. Abt. 1780, Burke County, North Carolina; d. Bef. December 17, 1845, Johnson County, Missouri.
20. vi. WILLIAM HOPPER SR., b. Abt. 1774, Burke County, North Carolina; d. Indiana.
21. vii. JOHN DAVID HOPPER SR., b. Rockingham County, N.C.; d. January 26, 1842, Johnson County, Missouri.

16. THOMAS⁵ HOPPER, SR. (*CHARLES⁴, WILLIAM DECON HOPPER³ SR., DAVID HOPPER² JR., DAVID HOPPER¹ SR.*) was born Abt. 1766 in Rockingham County, North Carolina, and died December 23, 1851 in Wellington, Lafayette, Missouri. He married (1) JENNIE. He married (2) REBECCA 1793 in Burke County, North Carolina. She was born January 01, 1768 in North Carolina, and died Aft. 1851 in Lafayette County, Missouri.

Notes for THOMAS HOPPER, SR.:

Thomas was a large land owner and pioneer.

In a letter from Mollie Crawford to Ida Hopper Cox she said " I can remember one of Great-grandfathers (John Hopper) brothers, Uncle Tom Hopper and his wife Aunt Jennie. They used to visit us when I was quite small. I can remember being at their house once and his Negro man carrying me all over the place and showing me some pet deer they had."

Here is a copy of Thomas Hopper's Will, Film GSW955,928 Thomas Hopper - Will Book "A" pp89,90,91. 7 June 1851.

Thomas Hopper will wr. 7 June 1851 -- prob 1 Jan 1852, wit Gideon Flourney, Richard Lea and Joseph Talbot. Exc. my friend and neighbor William C. Hall. My wife Rebecca, land on which I now live. All appurtances belonging to the same and all stock of every description and all household and kitchen furniture and my two Negro and the sum of \$200. My son Thomas Hopper to remain on the farm during the life of my wife.

My son Thomas \$500 and Negro boy after after the death of my wife, provided he relinquishes right to the SW 1/4 and NW 1/4 Sec 1 T49R28. After the death of my wife: Hannah McClure shall have my Negro girl. Have already given to the legates¹ of my son William Hopper, Dec., their full share except his son Ari to whom I will and bequeath \$50. Having already given my son Charles his portion.. Having given to my daughter Rebecca Patterson (Actually Peterson) her portion.

Having given my daughter Amy (Almira) Jennings her portion. To my granddau. Evaline

Johnson \$50. To the children of my daughter Lyndia Killian, Dec, the sum of \$500 to be equally divided between them. I have already given Mary(Conley) Case(Daughter of Lydia Anns first marriage) her portion. I have already given my dau. Elizabeth Jennings her portion. To my daug. Sally Young and Polly Hitchcock each the sum of \$300. To be paid after the death of my wife. Exec to sell land and divided the balance between the following names childres viz: Charles Hopper, Rebecca Patterson(actually Peterson), Kisiah(Keziah) Hitchcock,Hanna(h) McClure and Thomas Hopper.

Actually Lidia was not the only member of the family to become a Morman.

Polly and her husband Jesse Hitchcock were and Rebecca married Richard (Ziba)

Peterson(Mentioned in Morman D&C) who was one of the original Mormons to come to Jackson Co. Mo in 1831, although he seems to have left the church before they went to CA in 1848.

Some Information received from Ellen White, 1 Dec 1977, early land entries of Paoli TWP, Orange County., In.(www.geocities.com/~vhever/orange/landpaoli.h

Thomas Hopper: 12 Sept 1811, TINR1W Sec 1, also Thomas Hopper 1816.

Early Land Entries 0of Stampers Creek TWP, Orange County., In.,

www.geocitoes.com/~vhervly/orange landpaoli.htThomas Hopper:26 Sep 1810 T2N R2E Sec 32, 160acres Thomas Hopper: 21 Sep 1811 Tin R2C Sec 5, 150 acres.

Early settlers in Lafayette Co., Mo - The first settlement in that portion of Lafayette Co. now known as Clay TWP, appears to have made on or near the present site of the town Wellington, in 1819...Thomas Hopper and his two sons-in-law Killian and John Young, appeared about the same date, from Indiana...This information from Jack M. & Grace E. Gilgen and their son Kiley R. Walborn, Nibley, Utah 84321.

Children of THOMAS HOPPER and REBECCA are:

45. i. ZACHERY TAYLOR⁶ HOPPER, b. 1790, Burke County, Nortgh Carolina.
46. *not in this fam* ii. ~~MARY HOPPER, b. 1794, Kentucky, m. JOHN BARKER, b. Abt. 1794.~~ iii. LYDIA 'LIDDY' ANN HOPPER, b. October 11, 1795, Burke County, North Carolina; d. October 18, 1834, Napoleon,Lafayett,Missouri.
47. iv. SARAH 'SALLY' HOPPER, b. 1796, Burke County, North Carolina; d. April 1854, Lafayette County, Missouri.
48. v. JEREMIAH 'JERRY' HOPPER, b. February 08, 1796, Matrimony Creek,Rockingham County, North Carolina; d. March 20, 1879, Warren County, Kentucky.
49. vi. WILLIAN HOPPER SR., b. 1797, Burke County, Nortgh Carolina; d. May 31, 1829, Nepolian, Lafayette County, Missouri.
50. vii. MARY POLLY HOPPER, b. 1798, Burke County, North Carolina; d. Bet. 1846 - 1848, Union,Idaho.
51. viii. CHARLES 'NAPA' 'BIG CHALE' HOPPER, b. July 01, 1800, Burke County, North Carolina; d. September 24, 1880, Yountville,Napa County,California.
52. ix. REBECCA HOPPER, b. July 01, 1800, Indiana; d. April 21, 1896, Yountville,Napa County,California.
53. x. KEZIAH HOPPER, b. October 18, 1806, Burke County, North Carolina; d. November 18, 1859, Sonama County, California.
- xi. HANNAH HOPPER, b. March 01, 1808, Burke County, North Carolina; d. December 22, 1882, Chapel Hill,Lafayette,Missouri; m. CHARLES

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- MCCLURE, August 15, 1824, LaFayette County, Missouri.
- xii. ELIZABETH HOPPER, b. May 27, 1811, Indiana; d. June 13, 1895, Liano county, Texas; m. WILLIAM JENNINGS, March 09, 1828, LaFayette County, Missouri.
- xiii. THOMAS HOPPER JR., b. 1815, Orange County, Indiana; d. 1910; m. JANE SNOW, August 14, 1845, Jackson County, Missouri; b. 1824, North Carolina.
- Notes for THOMAS HOPPER JR.:
- Was in the census for MO., Lafayette Co. in 1830, male 10-15 in household of Thomas Hopper on 15 Nov 1850. M,IA, in household of Thomas Hopper. Made a purchase on 2 Oct 1854 in Missouri. Jackson Co. T47, R30, Sec1, 40 acres. Thomas died?
- On 12 Aug 1845 when Thomas was 30, He married Jane Snow, in Missouri, Jackson Co. or Lafayette County(SOURCE43 has both) Born ca 1824 in NC. reported in 1850 census. Was on census in for Missouri, Lafayette Co. on 15 Nov. 1850,13,26,F,NC, cannot read or write, in household of father-in-law Thomas Hoppe, Jane died.
- xiv. ALMIRA 'AMY' HOPPER, b. 1816, Orange County, Indiana; d. March 16, 1910, Johnson County, Missouri; m. JOHN JENNINGS, January 03, 1836, LaFayette County, Missouri; b. 1812.

46. LYDIA 'LIDDY' ANN⁶ HOPPER (THOMAS⁵, CHARLES⁴, WILLIAM DECON HOPPER³ SR., DAVID HOPPER² JR., DAVID HOPPER¹ SR.) was born October 11, 1795 in Burke County, North Carolina, and died October 18, 1834 in Napoleon, Lafayette, Missouri. She married (1) ROBERT CONOLY January 22, 1811 in Harrison County, Indiana. He was born Abt. 1795, and died Bef. August 1818 in Indiana. She married (2) JOHN KILLIAN August 25, 1818 in Lexington, Howard County, Missouri, son of PHILIP KILLIAN and MARY HOSKINS. He was born April 25, 1796 in Lexington, Howard County, North Carolina.

Child of LYDIA HOPPER and ROBERT CONOLY is:

- i. REBECCA EMMA⁷ CONOLY, b. October 15, 1812, Whiteriver, Indiana; d. December 10, 1885, Eden, Graham County, Arizona; m. TRUMAN TYRON, July 02, 1835, Salem, Utah County, Utah.

Children of LYDIA HOPPER and JOHN KILLIAN are:

- ii. MARY⁷ KILLIAN, b. Abt. 1818, Missouri; m. MR. CASE.
- iii. GEORGE KILLIAN, b. September 10, 1819, St. Francisville, Clark County, Missouri; d. December 10, 1882, Concho, Apache County, Arizona; m. (1) ELIZABETH LOUIS COCHRAN, October 04, 1851; m. (2) HELEN ARMENIA MERRIL, Abt. 1852; m. (3) MATILDA PHOEBE COCHRAN, July 10, 1853, St. Francisville, Clark County, Missouri; b. 1825.
- iv. THOMAS KILLIAN, b. April 30, 1820, Lafayette, Missouri; d. September 15, 1862, Paragonah, Iron County, Utah; m. MYRIAM

ELIZABETH SAMPSON, August 18, 1846, New London, Iowa; b. June 07, 1825, New London , Huron County, Ohio; d. November 29, 1894, Glenwood, Sevier County, Utah.

- v. LETHA JANE KILLIAN, b. October 11, 1822, Lexington, Lafayette County, Missouri; d. 1898; m. HOOD.
- vi. NANCY KILLIAN, b. April 17, 1824, Buckner, Jackson County, Missouri; d. October 18, 1898, Salem, Utah County, Utah; m. AQUILLA HOPPER, July 13, 1848, Lexington, Howard/Lafayette County, Missouri; b. April 17, 1814, Burke County, NC; d. May 24, 1873, SALEM, utah County, Utah..
- vii. JOHN FRANKLIN KILLIAN, b. Abt. 1825.
- viii. ALMIRA JOSEPHINE KILLIAN, b. March 27, 1827; m. CHARLES JOSEPH KILLIAN, March 30, 1845, Perry County, Missouri.
- ix. JACOB KILLIAN, b. December 31, 1828, Missouri; d. August 14, 1901, Salem, Utah County, Utah.; m. SUSAN COMBS, April 14, 1852, Coonsville, Pattawattamie County, Iowa.