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Be A Good Friend To Other Searchers

In the first issue of *Sanders Siftings* three years ago, I explained what I envisioned the newsletter would become—"especially helpful at a time when the networking of all kinds of genealogists and the exchange of many levels of family history research are taking on new dimensions with computer database files, e-mail, .. etc." I hope that this has happened.

I saw the newsletter as a way to connect many Sanders/Saunders researchers on and off the Internet.

Just making the connections is not enough, though. All those making genealogy contacts must be willing to share information and sources of their information. Be sure that those people receiving your information know if it has been documented, assumed, or just copied from other unverified sources. Don't hesitate to share undocumented information, just be sure the recipient knows what he/she is getting.

I have found that most fellow researchers I have contacted in my family history work are just as pleased with sharing data as they are in finding new information. (Of course, there are relatives who don't understand my interest and never answer my letters.)

To quote something else from that first issue, "One of the greatest things about genealogy is the new people you meet through letters, e-mail, library visits, and genealogy meetings. New friends can be your best sources of genealogy material. This newsletter is another way to widen your horizons and meet more new friends"

Be a good friend to others who you meet in your research. ■

Don Schaefer, *editor*

Alvin Saunders, Son of Gunnell Saunders, Was Appointed 1st Governor of Nebraska

The following story was submitted by Susan Saunders, 1267 N. 4469th Rd, Earlville, IL 60518-6124, in response to the following entry in the January 1998 *Siftings*: "Mary Angeline Saunders (1861-1944) married 9 Jan 1884 in Omaha, Neb., to Russell Benjamin Harrison (1854-1936), son of Benjamin Harrison, 24th President of the United States." Mary Angeline was the daughter of Alvin Saunders.

ALVIN SAUNDERS was born 12 July 1817 in Fleming Co., Ky. to Gunnell and Mary Margaret Saunders. Around 1828 Gunnell and Mary Saunders followed their older son, Jonathon, to Sangamon Co., Ill. Bringing the rest of their family, they settled north of the present town of Springfield, Ill.

Alvin remained at home until around 1836 when he followed his brother, Presley Saunders, to Henry Co., Iowa. to the small town of Mt. Pleasant which Presley founded.

Alvin worked first on a farm then he worked as a clerk in a small dry goods store. He felt his education limited him so he attended school to improve himself. Later he became the first postmaster of Mt. Pleasant, a job he held for seven years. He also became a partner with his brother Presley in the mercantile business.

He was elected a state senator in Iowa and served from 1854 to 1858. He was a member of the Constitutional Convention of Iowa, under which Iowa was admitted to the union. He was a delegate to the first Republican Convention of Iowa which met 22 Feb 1856.

Alvin Saunders married Marthena Barlow in Washington, D.C. 11 Mar 1856. Marthena was born 24 Oct 1834 in Greencastle, Ind. She was a niece of Senator Harlan's wife. Senator and Mrs. Harlan's daughter married Robert Lincoln.

Alvin and Marthena had two chil-

dren, Charles Leonard (b. 23 Dec 1856/57) and Mary A. (b. 16 Nov 1860). Charles Leonard never married. Mary married Russell H. Harrison, son of President Benjamin Harrison.

In 1860, Alvin was a delegate to the National Republican Convention that nominated Abraham Lincoln. He and Mr. Lincoln were acquainted from Sangamon Co., Ill. During Alvin's second term as state senator in Iowa, President Lincoln appointed him Governor of the Nebraska Territory, a position he held for six years. He was the one to announce statehood for Nebraska on 27 March 1867.

When Saunders was appointed Governor, Nebraska was in debt equaling two dollars per head. When Nebraska was admitted to the union and Gov. Saunders retired, there were sufficient funds in the treasury to pay off all debts, including Nebraska's quota of troops to suppress the "great slaveholders' rebellion."

After retiring from the office of governor, Alvin Saunders took up banking, becoming president of the State National Bank in Omaha, Nebraska.

He lived in Omaha until his death on 1 November 1899.

Additional Family Information

Further information on the family of Alvin Saunders' parents: GUNNELL SAUNDERS (b. 27 Jul 1783, d. 26 Oct 1848) married MARY MARGARET MAUZY (b. 15 Apr 1784, d. 18 Oct 1851) on 1 Apr 1801. They had seven children: Jonathon R. (b. 17 Feb 1802), Nancy (b. 1804), Presley (b. 1808), Frances (b. 18 Apr 1809), George M. (b. 6 Oct 1811), Alvin (b. 12 Jul 1817), and William A., (b. 4 Sep 1819).

Gunnell Saunders served in the Joseph C. Betts Co., Pogue Regiment, in the War of 1812. He was born in Loudoun Co., Va. ■

William Sanders, Orphaned At Age 12, Gives His Account of Moving With Kin To Texas

This story was submitted by Sybil Taylor, 942 Lillie Drive, Carthage, MO 64836, [sybilt@getonthe.net].

WILLIAM SANDERS, (prob.) son of John and Mary Jane (Smith) Sanders was born in 1834 in Bedford Co., Tenn. When he was about 12 years of age his parents passed away (1846). So he went to Fayette Co., Ala., to live with his older brother Isaac Sanders. It was there that he first met my mother, Jane Smith, and in about 1852 they were married.

My mother was the daughter of Amos and Rachel (Wheeler) Smith. They had immigrated from Spartenburg, S.C. (where my mother was born) to Fayette Co., Ala., when she was about six or eight years of age (1838-40). I have heard my mother mention her grandmother, Elizabeth McMakin, but her people immigrated to Missouri in the 1840s or 1850s. All my brothers and sisters were born in Fayette Co., Ala., with the exception of Sister Lou who was born in Chickasaw Co., Miss.

My father was a farmer and tilled the soil, but when the war broke out in 1861 he enlisted in the 23rd Alabama Infantry under Capt. Isaac Sanders, his brother. He was a drummer boy and was under Gen. Robert E. Lee. In the latter part of the war, my father was wounded in the thigh, but succumbed to smallpox in the hospital, in Richmond, Va., in 1865.

After Father's death, Grandfather Amos Smith sent his two sons, Joel and Thomas Smith in two wagons and three or four Negro boys and moved us to Chickasaw Co., Miss. (near Okolona) where he was living at that time. We had four or five head of cattle and about the same in sheep. I recall making the trip and we reached the "Buttahachee River" (a tributary of the Tombigbee). Our sheep became frightened and left our flat boat and swam across ahead of the boat to the shore. We rounded them up and proceeded on our way.

Later on we came to the Tombigbee River and it was here that Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest fought the battle of the "Prairie." I remember hearing the guns of battle and seeing lots of dead horses and dark spots on the ground and we picked up lead bullets on the battlefield. We were directed down the river for safety reasons. This must have been in the fall of 1864 or the spring of 1865.

We settled near Grandfather Amos Smith and stayed there until the fall of 1870 when we decided to immigrate to Texas. We all met at Uncle James Smith's home (Grandfather's son) who lived nearby and on my birthday (Oct 13, 1870) we left for Texas. It was a great thrill for me to be going to Texas (although I was only nine years of age).

Our caravan consisted of seven ox wagons. Our wagon included Mother and us kids—sister Mary -Margaret, brother James, myself, and sister Lou. My sister Rachel was married to George R. Pearson and he had one wagon in the caravan. Also Simeon and Monroe Pearson (all brothers) each had a wagon. (They had married Mother's sisters.) We were on the road about seven weeks, crossing the Mississippi River at Helena, Ark., through Pine Bluff and entering Texas at Texarkana. Our wagon and George Pearson's wagon (my brother-in-law) stopped at Clarksville, Texas, for about a week or two, as he (George Pearson) hired out to haul logs to the saw mill. The rest of the caravan proceeded on to Lamar Co., Texas, (near Paris). We later joined them near Paris. This was about the first of December, 1870.

I remember a man on horseback asking us where we were from and where we were going. I answered him back very eagerly that we were going to Texas. He replied that we were already in Texas, but I said that we wasn't in Texas yet. He asked me why I didn't think that I was in Texas. I said because I said in Texas they have "Honey Ponds and Flitter Trees" and I hadn't seen any yet, so I knew I wasn't in Texas. But he replied that there were no "Honey Ponds and Flitter Trees" in Texas. I was heart broken. My spirits were at a low ebb and I was ready to turn back to Mississippi.

We settled in Lamar Co., Texas, as we had former friends from Mississippi that had preceded us to Texas. In 1870-73 we lived in Lamar Co., 1873-76 in Delta County, 1876-77 in Fannin County, back in Lamar County in 1877-79, 1879-1882 in Denton County, and in 1882-1897 to Comanche County. In 1897 Mother and sister Lou moved to Bowie in Montague Co., Texas, where sister Margaret was living. She married Benjamin Franklin Wilhite near Honey Grove, Texas, in 1879 and had moved to Bowie in 1885.

Lawrence Saunders Sources Detailed By Paul Saunders

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Mother passed the rest of her life in Bowie (1832-1922) and sister Lou died in 1943.

The above was dictated to me by my Uncle William A. Sanders, age 84, May 6-8, 1946. W. E. Wilhite. ■

Who Would Like To Claim Kin To This George and Levi Sanders?

This account of a robbery in Indian Territory was found in the *Obituaries of Benton Co., Ark., Vol. I - 1884-1898* by Sherry Healy of Chatsworth, Calif.

Would someone like to claim kin to the George and Levi Sanders in this story?

"Ft. Smith, Ark., March 28.- Sam McWilliams and George Sanders were killed at 8 o'clock this morning while robbing T.J. Madden's store at Bragg, a small town on the railroad, nine miles east of Fort Gibson. Joe Morris, clerk for Madden, was shot through the abdomen and fatally injured. Sam Butler, the only member of the gang to escape, is thought to be wounded.

"Butler, McWilliams and Sanders rode into the town and before Deputy Marshal Barbee knew who they were, had covered him with Winchesters and disarmed him. All citizens they met were then driven to Madden's store and McWilliams and Sanders went inside while Butler remained on guard at the door.

"They took things leisurely and picked out such goods as they wanted. Each had a suit apiece and the two inside were picking out gloves when Butler warned them of the approach of Johnson Manning and Hiram Stevens, two Indian deputy sheriffs. They ran to the door and Butler fired first, killing Manning's horse. The two parties then fired a volley almost simultaneously and McWilliams fell dead, shot through the center of the breast. Sanders and Butler retreated toward their horses keeping up a steady fire. Barbee ran between the two deputies and the outlaws secured McWilliams' Winchester and took part in the fight.

"Half way to the horses Sanders fell with a bullet hole in his temple and several wounds on his body. Butler reached his horse and made good his escape. During the fight one of the outlaws shot Morris.

"T.J. Madden was at home and started to make a fight himself but his wife insisted that he go after the officers, who lived about a mile away.

"The bodies were brought here at noon and turned over to Marshal Crump as the Government offers a reward of \$250 for McWilliams, dead or alive. Bill Cook was brought up to see the bodies and laying his hand affectionately upon

the box where his former comrade lay, said: 'This is the Kid.' Sam McWilliams was best known as 'Verdigris Kid,' and was almost an inseparable companion of Jim French last year. The two left a long and bloody trail after them. He was only 19 years old. Sanders was older, about 25, and had always been a desperado though he only lately joined McWilliams. Last fall he robbed U.S. Drake at McKay by holding a revolver at his babe's head and threatening to kill it if he did not give up money.

"He was a brother of Levi Sanders who robbed the Fort Gibson mail hack, killed a woman and was himself killed near Tahlequah last summer." [*Benton County Democrat* 4/4/1895] ■

David Manley, 5514 Moultrie Road, Springfield, VA 22151, [davideb@erols.com] is looking for connections to Peter Sanders who married Elizabeth Fishburn in Charleston, S.C. 19 Jun 1743. Their son, Roger Sanders, m. Elizabeth Garrett in Charleston 27 Jun 1782. Their son, William Sanders (b. 16 Mar 1786, d. 15 Mar 1872 in Anderson, S.C.), m. Martha Ditmore in Charleston 28 Nov 1811. David has much information on succeeding generations. ■

This picture was submitted by Andrea Saunders Gereighty, 257 Bonnabel Blvd., Metairie, LA 70005, [AGer80@worldnet.att.net]. It was made about 1914 on the Saunders Ranch, Saunders Station, Texas. Andrea's father, Andrew Jackson Saunders III, is the boy sitting in the tire. The boy's grandmother, Susan "Susie" F Rawlings, is the lady at the left sitting on the running board. Her first husband was Andrew Jackson Saunders I, son of Thomas Bailey Saunders—son of Nimrod Saunders (b. 1780, Fayetteville, N.C.). The dog "driving the car" is not identified. (See featured story in October 1995 issue of *Sanders Siftings*.)



Do You Have Connection To The William Sanders Who Changed Name To Duncan?

Robert N. Sanders, 1987 N. Genessee St., Orange, CA 92685 3837, [BBIRD1987@aol.com] is looking for more information on these Sanders. The family members who went to Arkansas were William Sanders/Duncan, Simeon Sanders and possibly Vandiver Sanders. William died Dec. 28, 1883 in Benton Co., Ark. and is buried at Twelve Corners Cemetery in Benton Co. William changed his name to Duncan in 1867. He had a son named Willoughby who died Dec 18, 1930 Washington County, Ark. He married Rebecca Smith Feb 29, 1872 in Fayetteville. Another son was Riley Newton who died Nov 29, 1940 in Washington Co., and he had married Mary Elizabeth Smith Sep 18, 1875 in Fayetteville. The last son John Morgan died Mar 23, 1952 in Benton Co. (Gravette) and married Laura Sanders Feb 15, 1885. All were born in Indiana and the mother's maiden name was Permilia Jane Hayden (she died in 1864). William also changed the boy's name to Duncan. William later remarried Rachel Clements and they had more children. I have communicated with two of his descendants who now also live in California. William's parents were Joseph Sanders and Nancy Cox. ■

Cornelius Sanders Had Revolutionary War Record

by Hugh Buckner Johnston (1984)

I was pleasantly surprised recently to learn that Wilson County can claim another patriot who served in the Revolutionary War. Cornelius Sanders had been born in Edgecombe (now Wilson) County (N.C.) on March 10, 1762, and "a record of his birth in a book at home which was put down as he has always been informed by his Grand Father on his Mother's side Cornelius Jordan a few hours after his birth". When he grew up he bought the book in which his birth was recorded at the sale of his Grand Father's property after his death and owns it yet.

Cornelius was one of the five sons and three daughters of Thomas Sanders (died testate in 1802) of Edgecombe County and wife Sarah Jordan, daughter of Cornelius Jordan, Sr., who settled a little west of Wilson before 1750 and died testate in Edgecombe County in 1793/4, leaving an estate of 1,240 acres. This family of Jordans may have originated from Nanesmond County (Va.), but I am inclined to believe the Sanders family traces back over three hundred years to Isle of Wight County in Virginia.

In January or February of 1781 Cornelius Sanders volunteered for a tour of three months under Capt. Etheldred "Dred" Philips and Major Curlee in Col. Thomas Hunter's Regiment. They marched to Halifax and then towards Hillsborough, but before they arrived Curlee left and also Colonel Hunter "owing to having his house burned."

In early June Captain Philips was elected Major and was replaced by Capt. Axum Philips. General Thomas Eaton then marched their force of about 2,000 men through Hillsborough and joined General Nathaniel Greene's Army a few miles further, continuing to pursue the British Army until the Battle of Guilford Court House on March 15, 1781, in which Sanders "was in sight of Genl. Stephens (of the Virginia Militia) at the time said General got his thigh broke and horse killed under him.

After that battle Sanders marched with the American troops to Ramsey's Mills on Deep River and remained until his three months expired and he was discharged. A few weeks after returning home, about May, he was placed in a Company of twelve-months men and

marched under Major John Armstrong from Halifax to join General Greene "within four or five miles pf Camden," where his group was attached to Captain Joshua Hadley's Company, Colonel Pinketham "Pink" Eaton's Regiment. Majors at various times were Thomas Hogg, Joseph Dixon, Anthony Sharp, and John Armstrong. They "marched to a little town called Charlotte, and reconnoitered about Charlotte and Camden some time" before besieging the British garrison at their fort in Ninety Six for three to five weeks. Colonel Eaton was killed during this time with a small group attempting to divert the British attention.

Sanders and eight or ten other soldiers were taken sick just before the battle of Eutaw Springs and were treated at the Sparks home during and after the battle. He was discharged there at the end of his term of service but "had not recovered his health and was scarcely able to walk." It was a month or more before he arrived at his home. He estimated his total time of service at sixteen months.

On his second "tour" of duty he had been "employed as a drummer" and served variously under Capt. Joshua Hadley and Capt. William Lytle. He had known Capt. Benjamin Coleman, Capt. William Armstrong, Capt. Hatcher, Colonel Mabrey, Col. William Washington, and Col. Henry Lee of the Light Horse. He had seen General Martin and "was also acquainted with Genl. Greene the Commander of the division."

Sometime after the war ended, Cornelius Sanders moved to Nash County but decided in 1808 to continue onward to Rutherford County, Tennessee, where he had settled near the Wilson County

line and "remained ever since."

On October 25, 1832, he made his mark "C" on the petition before Judge James C. Mitchell of Wilson County for a Revolutionary War Pension under the Act of June 7, 1832. It was approved at \$53.33 per year on March 21, 1833, and was retroactive to March 4, 1831. I have not examined the final settlement made at the time of his death, but I suspect that it will prove that one of his heirs was Isaac Sanders (Apr 8, 1793 - Apr 9, 1868) of Rutherford County but, according to the Census of 1850, a native of (Wilson County?) North Carolina.

The above story was sent in by Mary Harris, 857 Cornish Drive, San Diego, CA 92107-4249. She counts Cornelius Sanders among her ancestors. ■

Lee Hoover Has Quite a Few Questions About Sanders

Lee Hoover, P. O. Box 125, Centerville, TN 37033-0125, [hooverdo@juno.com]. My ancestor, Berryman Sanders, b. 1812/13 near Vernon, Hickman Co, Tenn., married Elizabeth "Betsy" Tubbs. Where and when?? Betsy is believed to be the daughter of Samuel Tubbs, who had a plantation in Attala Co., Miss., according to the 1840 census. Berryman and Betsy had a son, Wiley McDonald, b. July 1837 in Attala Co. Was he an only child? Very unusual unless the mother dies at that birth and I'm told Betsy died in 1843. Who was the Betsy Sanders, head of household on 1840 Attala Co. census? There were 2 adult females, 1 male under 5, (Wiley McD.?) 2 males between 5-10, 1 female under 5, 1 female between 5-10 in that home. No record of Berryman in Attala Co. or Tenn. census in 1840. Berryman was back in Hickman Co., Tenn. by 1846 as he married Naomi T. Williams of Whitfield, Hickman Co. in that year. Wiley refused to live with them and in 1850 was living with a Methodist minister, William Briggs, and attending school. Briggs family are no relation that can be found. Does anyone have information on the Mississippi Sanders/Saunders? Wiley McDonald had close ties with someone in Miss. (who?) although he lived in Hickman Co. except when fighting in the Civil War. Will share any info I have on file. ■

Siftings Back Issues Available

Back issues of SANDERS Siftings are available at \$3.00 each. They are: No. 2, Jul 1995; No. 3, Oct 1995; No. 4, Jan 1996; No. 5, Apr 1996; No. 6, Jul 1996; No. 7, Oct 1996; No. 8, Jan 1997; No. 9, Apr 1997; No. 10, Jul 1997, No. 11, Oct 1997, and No. 12, Jan 1998.

A copy of issue No. 1, April, 1995, will be included free with any order for a back issue. ■

Naming Patterns Can Be A Tremendous Help in Linking Or Identifying Families

The Fall 1996 issue of *The Upper Cumberland Researcher* contained the following note from *The Leftwich Heritage* on common naming practices:

The 1st son was usually named after the father's father.

The 2nd son was usually named after the mother's father.

The 3rd son was usually named after the father.

The 4th son was usually named after the father's eldest brother.

The 5th son was usually named after the mother's eldest brother.

The 1st daughter was usually named after the mother's mother.

The 2nd daughter was usually named after the father's mother.

The 3rd daughter was usually named after the mother.

The 4th daughter was usually named after the mother's eldest sister.

The 5th daughter was usually named after the father's eldest sister.

This pattern was not always followed exactly, but most would usually keep the pattern for the first three children. If there was a name that was found in every generation (example: John, William, Edward, Charles, etc), then somewhere in their children you will surely find these names. If one is stuck on finding parents for an ancestor, try this pattern to give one a suggestion as to a name to search for.

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Need Info On Sampson Sanders; Rev. Leon Elvin Saunders

Sharon Middleton, 109 Pinefield, Oklahoma City, OK 73149-1832, [mimiof5@aol.com] is looking for more information on Sampson Sanders. Sharon's mom's maiden name is Sanders. Her father was Rev. Leo Elvin Sanders, b.1900, Sallisaw, Okla., m. Nettie Lou Tanksley, died 1984 in Oklahoma City. His parents were Sampson Sanders, b. Jun 3, 1873, and Vada Howell. Sampson was possibly from Gravel Hills, Tenn., b. 1973. His parents were James S. Sanders and Nannie Collis??. They may have lived in Ark. before moving to Okla. ■

Pickwick Landing Resort, Tennessee, To Be Site Of Sanders Reunion June 26-28

Harold, Alice and Judy Low of Sherman, Tex., Doc and Lee Hoover of Centerville, Tenn. have planned a Sanders/Saunders reunion June 26-28, 1998 at beautiful Pickwick Lake, Tenn. The meeting place will be the Hoover suite at Pickwick Landing Resort in the State Park. Those who are not familiar with the area can locate it on the Tennessee River almost where Tenn., Ala., and Miss. come together and near Shiloh National Battlefield. It is just south of Savannah, Tenn., "Catfish Capitol of the World." The area is one of the best for any type of recreation. (golf courses, boating, fishing, swimming) history museum (prehistoric Indians, Civil War, pioneer, musseling) walking tour of historic homes. The nearby small town of Crump has nothing but hundreds of flea market booths!!

For a list of facilities and a tourist guide, contact Hardin County Tourism, 507 Main St. Savannah, TN 38372 or call them at 1-800-552-3866.

William Saunders, b. 1718 Lancaster Co., Va., and wife Betsy Hubbard

Saunders, b. 1721 Lancaster Co. Va., had eleven children and have literally thousands of descendants. These descendants were the pioneers who helped shape this country and at least five of William's children fought in the Rev. War. William's children and grandchildren followed the migration trails to N.C., S.C., Ga., Tenn., Ky., Ala., Miss., Ark., Mo., La. and hundreds on to Texas. By now there are descendants in every state. Alice, Judy, and Lee are descendants of Berryman Saunders, who was a great grandson of William and Betsy Saunders.

Why not come and join us to find that "missing relative"? Only by sharing and comparing can we get them sorted out. Bring records, family trees, photos, bibles, books for sharing or for sale. We hope to have a copying machine in the suite for convenient and inexpensive copying. Looking forward to meeting you.

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Connections to Thomas Jefferson Sanders?

Julia K. Hogston, 44833 Ecorse, Belleville, MI 48111-1189, [the6jays@aol.com] is looking for connections to her husband's ancestors. The oldest generation is Thomas Jefferson Sanders (b. abt 1801) m. Elizabeth C. McBrayer (b. abt 1802). Next generation is Grandville "Greenville" Sanders who m. Rhoda Potter 15 Jan 1845. Their son, William Floyd Sanders (b. Aug 1860 in Va.) m. Julia Rowe 16 Jan 1885 in Pike Co., Ky. [William Floyd was an uncle of Col. Harlan Sanders.] William Floyd and Julia had these children:

James Harvey (b. Feb 1886) m. Louisa Ratliff
 William Lawrence (b. Feb 1886)
 Isaac B. (b. Jun 1890)
 Dicie J. (b. Jun 1892) m. Bill Blevins, m. 2nd Jim Bentley
 Beulah V. (b. Jun 1895) m. Roby Lewis
 Vida Mae (b. Sep 1897) m. William Hickman
 Marcella (b. Jan 1900) m. John Compton
 Ernest (b. 16 Oct 1902) m. Maude Bowlings
 Vertie (b. 16 Mar 1907) m. Virgil Meeks.

m. 2nd Earl England
 Viola "Ola" (b. 2 Jun 1910) m. William Burgess Hogston, m. 2nd Bee Jones ■

Goochland Co., Va., Saunders

James Ross, 2206 Turquoise Circle, Chino Hills, CA 91709-2119, [Tombtome@aol.com]. I am a descendant of Jeffrey Saunders, (b. ca1764 Goochland Co., Va., d. ca1843 Vandenburgh Co., Ind.) m. Ferilla ca1790. Their children: Elitia (m. Hightower); Ezekiel; Sarah (m. 11 Aug 1818 Lewis Sirkel); James (m. 21 Aug 1818 Zara Sirkel); John S. (m. 1 Aug 1819 Nancy Robertson); Mary or Polly (m. 19 Aug 1822 Anthony Robertson); Jane (m. Roberts); Elizabeth; Ann. All children's marriages in Vandenburgh Co., Ind. Elizabeth (b. 1800 Christian Co., Ky.; d. 1851 Washington Co., Ark.) was my direct ancestor. She m. 13 Mar 1823 Zephananiah Harrison Jr. (b. 1803 Vandenburgh Co Ind., d. ca1865 Brentwood, Washington Co., Ark). Would appreciate hearing from anyone about this family. ■

ASSORTED QUERIES . . .

Muriel Sale Gregory, 1414 Mtn. View Rd., Raton, NM 87740-4343. Was Philip Sanders (b. abt 1707 King & Queen Co., Va.; married Mary; d. aft 1767 Caroline Co., Va.) a son of Nathaniel Saunders (d. aft 1731) of King & Queen Co? If so, he had brothers John Wynell, Rev. Nathaniel and Hugh as well as sisters Sarah Ann and Fanny. Will be glad to share information.

Richard Kenyon, 32 Almond Tree Lane, Irvine CA 92612-2230 [kenyon@exo.com] seeks information on the children of Sylva Saunders (daughter of Elisha Saunders and Elizabeth Chase) and her husband, Revolutionary War veteran Thomas W. Kinyon. Sylva born Jan 27, 1761, Westerly, Washington Co., R.I., died Dec 24, 1836, at Brookfield, Madison Co., N.Y. Married Nov 30, 1780 at Richmond, Washington Co. Thomas born Mar 9, 1758 Richmond, Washington Co., R.I.; died 1833-40, N.Y.

Jack Neff, 20105 NE Kings Grade, Newberg, OR 97132-6554, [jacke@inetarena.com]. Joseph Sanders, b. abt 1725, m: abt 1748 Perquimans Co, N.C. Joseph married Mary Lamb in her father, Henry Lamb's, home. A known son was Henry Sanders, b. 26 Oct 1751. Henry married Theodocia Blake 18 Oct 1779 and had a large family. Henry died in Monroe Co., Ind. He was a Rev. War Soldier and in his later years was a member of the Vernal Baptist Church, Monroe Co., Ind. He was a Baptist preacher for 40 years. I would like to find more information about Joseph and Mary Sanders. I believe that Joseph was a Quaker. I have no birth or death dates for them. Were there more children born to Joseph and Mary Sanders? Joseph's probable father was Benjamin Sanders, a tobacco farmer, who died abt 1744.

Sylvia Duff, 1507 45th Ave., S.W., Seattle, WA 98116, [DOMAR@aol.com]. John Saunders m. Charlotte Nye (of Holland or Germany). Their known daughter was Mary Saunders (d. Apr 1852) m. Peter O'Reilly (b. County Cavan, Ireland). John and Charlotte are my ggg-grandparents. Their descendants settled in N.Y., N.J. Would appreciate any information.

Annette Shelton, 189 Wheeler Road, Monroe, LA 71203-9634, [shelton@bayou.com] would still like to hear from anyone with information on David I. Sanders or David Quincey Sanders in Independence Co. or Jackson Co., Ark. I believe they are the same person whose middle initial "Q" has been incorrectly written on some documents as "I." David Quincey Sanders was born in La. c1851, and m. Lucy Mustain in Independence Co. in 1873. They had one daughter Cora Estell Sanders, b. 1876, who m. Augustus "Gus" Riley Mardis Jan 2, 1895 in Jackson Co. in a double wedding ceremony with her cousin Henrie Louise Eggers and Thomas Mardis, Gus' brother. David I. Sanders and Lucy were on the 1900 Jackson Co. census, and possibly the 1880 also.

From Barb Morris, 219 W. 4th Street, Emmett, ID 83617, [fifti1@aol.com]. I am still on the trail of my gr grandfather Eli Sanders but did find out more about him. Eli was killed in the CW battle of New Market 1864 and is buried at St. Mathews Lutheran cem. His wife was Dicey A. Hamlet and she is buried in Braxton Co. Their children were: Anna Mariah, Thomas Wm Henry, John Marion, George Elihugh and Elvira Catherine. Still looking for his parents, siblings and so far no luck. Does anyone have connections?

Wanda McKay, 45641 Calle Ayora, Temecula, CA 92592-1219, [mckay@iinet.com]. I'm looking for the wife and parents of Presley Sanders, who d. in Johnson Co., Mo. in 1847. The family came from Mercer Co., Ky. in about 1830. His children were: Nancy, b. 1814, m. John G. Claunch; Robert, m. Jane Claunch 16 Nov 1832; James; William, b. 1829, m. Margaret Windsor; John; David; Richard; Mary; and Elizabeth. Any help would be appreciated.

There is a Sanders web page called "Sanders, Anytime, Anywhere" at <<http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Plains/7614/SANDERS.HTM>>. Try "Some Selected Sa(u)anders" at <<http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Ranch/3954>>. "Most Wanted Sanders" has interesting queries at <<http://www.sonic.net/yvonne/sanders.html>>

Retha Rustin, R.R. 1, Box 340, Brookport, IL 62910. My grandmother was Erie Esther Saunders, born in Water Valley, Miss. 22 May 1873 to John William Pitts Saunders and Mary Francis Palmer. John William was born in Tennessee and Mary Francis was born in Alabama. Would appreciate any information.

Joanne E. Barton, 2583 Highway 34, Osceola, IA 50213-8364, [barjo@pionet.net] is looking for connections to her Sanders line. It starts with Joel Sanders (d. 2 Feb 1782 in Ga.) and Charity Hollowell (d. 23 Jan 1782). Their son, Mordecai (b. 10 Sep 1764), m. Margaret Thomas 5 Aug 1786. Their son, Jesse (b. 1 Jul 1800 in Columbia, Ga.), m. Epsy Battin 28 Jun 1821 in Jay Co., Ind. Their son, Abishia (b. 2 Apr 1848 in Perry Co., Ohio) m. Phoebe Travis/Turner 10 Sep 1868 in Perry Co., Ohio. Joanne has much more information to share.

From W. Keith Fisher, 4614 Tensweep, New Albany, OH 43054, [wkfisher@infinet.com]. I just got a little more information on my earliest known ancestor, Robert Samuel Sanders, b. 1765. He moved with his family from Pennsylvania at an early age to Culpepper Co. Va., near Culpepper Courthouse. His father is thought to be a John Sanders. Do any Sanders researchers have information on the Sanders families who lived in Culpepper Co. around 1765 or later?

Jim Sanders, 512 N. 6 1/2 St., Paragould, AR 72450 is starting his search for ancestors. His father is Albert Sylvester Sanders (b. 1911 Cardwell, Mo.) and mother is Dorothy Marie Walker. Albert's father was John Robert Hamilton Sanders (b. 1890 Greenville, Texas) and mother was Virgin M. John Robert's father was John "Jack" Hamilton Sanders and mother was Julia Ann Dixon. Can anyone connect?

Betty Lilley, 1197 S. Hamblin Dr., Kanab, UT 84741, [lilley@xpressweb.com] is looking for a Samuel A. Sanders (b. 1852 Ark., d. 1923 Friendship, Ark.), m. Malissa Hardaway in the 1880s. On 1900 census his parents were born in Miss. His father's name was Sam on death certificate. Samuel A. was my g-grandfather.

Sherry Healy, 20037 Lassen St., Chatsworth, CA 91311, [doug-sherry-healy@worldnet.att.net]. Her Sanders line is George Woodard Sanders and his son Charles Burton Sanders, his son Albert Bruce Sanders, his daughter Ruby Marie Sanders, and her son, Claude Henderson, who is Sherry's father. George Woodard Sanders, born 24 Sep 1785 in Virginia, moved to Kentucky, Tennessee, and Alabama before settling in Madison Co., Ark. (See October 1996 issue of *Sanders Siftings*.)

Patty Phillips, 49359 O.R.&W Station St., Jacobsburg, OH 43933, [smithc@Ist.net] is looking for Benjamin Harrison Saunders, b. 10 Dec 1822 in Harrison Co., Va./W.Va. He died 2 Apr 1882 in Enterprise, Harrison Co., W.Va. He is buried in Laurel Point Union Cem. in Enterprise. He married Matilda Ann Harrison, b. 19 Nov 1831, on 14 Feb 1850 in Harrison Co., W.Va. They had the following children: Mary, James, Ruanna, George, Rachel, Eliza Cramer, Isaac Sigel, William L., Lola, Walker M., Henry Clay, and Icie. I am a descendent of Henry Clay Saunders, b. Jul 1872 in W.Va. He married Catherine Cornwell on 14 Feb 1894 in Marion Co., W.Va. He died 1949, resulting from burns he suffered from a fire. He and Catherine had the following children: Daisy D., Harry G., Ray Dewey, Fred William, Claude E., Gracie L., Zaine G., John A., Doris, Dorothy, Thelma L., Stella, and Zella Lena.

Harold A. Sanders, 7208 Brentwood Cir., Waco, TX 76712-3732, [HSand81175@aol.com]. My father was an orphan. The last known record that I can find of his family is the 1900 census of 1st Civil District of Shelby Co., Tenn.: Silas Sanders, b. Sep 1841 in Tenn.; parents b. in Tenn. Octavia Sanders, wife, b. Sep 1842 in Ala., parents b. in Ala. Thomas Sanders, son, b. Mar 1869 in Tenn. (my grandfather) Josie Sanders, dau., b. Jan 1877 in Tenn. Hughes Sanders, son, b. Oct 1879 in Tenn. Molly Sanders, dau. in law., b. Jan 1880 in Tenn. Arnold Sanders, grandson, b. Jan 1900 in Tenn. (my father)

Would appreciate any assistance to extend this information.

Jerry H. Collins, 2035 Poplar Street, Waukegan, IL 60087, [jerry.collins@abbott.com] is looking for connections to these Sanders: Agnes P. Sanders, d. after 1935. m. Andrew J Moake; Andrew Sanders, b. 1827, Robertson, Tenn., m. Mahala Moake; Bryant Sanders, m. Nancy S. Holman; Christopher Sanders, m. Deanne Vandagriff; Jesse, b. 11 Jun 1814, Robertson, Tenn. 9 Apr 1871, Williamson, Ill., m. Parmelia Odum; Jesse Sanders, b. 18 Aug 1874, Williamson, Ill., m. Cardelia (Delia) Collins (an ancestor) 5 Apr 1937, Benton, Franklin, Ill.; Lydia Sanders, 4 Mar 1798, Robertson, Tenn. 16 Sep, 1853, Williamson, Ill., m. Andrew Moak; Martha Mary Sanders, b. 30 Dec 1838, Williamson, Ill. bef 1880, m. Isaac Thomas Moake; Mary J. Sanders, b. abt 1842, Williamson, Ill., m. Andrew J Moake; Marcissa J. (Susan) Sanders 1832, Williamson, Ill. 1 Mar 1869, Williamson, Ill., m. Ezekiel Jackson Moake; Rachel Sanders, b. abt 1773, S.C., m. Jacob Moake; Winifred Earl Sanders 6 Oct 1911-16 Jan 1941, m. Martha Belle Wickizer.

Ann Gabbert, 408 Stotts, El Paso, TX 79932, [AGabbert@aol.com]. I am looking for the families of Matilda Saunders (b. about 1790) who married David Lovett in 1808. David Lovett was from N.C. so I am assuming that Matilda Saunders was also. They moved to Ala. and then Miss. She may be kin to Ezekiel Saunders/Sanders (b. c1760) and his daughter Nancy Saunders who married Thomas Gore in 1799 in Chester Co., S.C. They also later moved to Ala. Any help would be appreciated.

[Editor's note: Working on this issue, I have seen three different dates of birth for twins, Moses and Aaron Sanders/Sanders. They were 1757, 1792, and 1813. How many were there?] This one is from Jeff Bonnett, 430 Lake Drive, Benton, KY 42025, [jbonnett@apex.net] Moses Sanders (twin brother of Aaron), born 8 Feb 1813, d. 12 Mar 1878, buried in Sanders Chapel Cemetery, Winn Parish, La.; served in the CSA during Civil War; m. Prislea Sanford/Sandford. They had at least one child, Margaret Jane Sanders, b. 21 Oct 1857, d. 12 Jan 1920. She married Western Russell Mixon 8 Jul 1876. Aaron (b. 8 Feb 1813, d. 2 Jun 1899, m. Susan Ann; also buried in Sanders Chapel Cemetery.

Church Minutes Can Yield Valuable Family History

Bobbie E. Payne, 801 W. High, Grand Prairie, TX 75140-1007. My ancestor John Sanders married Rutha Reeves 15 Sep 1795 in Wake Co., N.C. John and Rutha were later members of the Phillips Mill Baptist Church, Washington, Ga. Microfilmed minutes show:

"Met in conference April 13, 1811 received by experience John Sanders.

"Met in conference Nov. 9, 1911 received by experience Ruth Sanders.

"Met in conference Jan. 11, 1811 ordination of the deacons refered from last conference George Smith & John Sanders were examined and ordained to the office of deacons.

"Met in conference Oct. 10, 1818 Brother John Sanders applies for letter of dismissal for himself and his wife which was granted."

John and Rutha Sanders were on the 1820 and 1830 Lincoln Co., Tenn. census records (as were their daughters Martha Sanders and husband Edmond Ogletree and Mary Sanders and husband Turner Ogletree). Edmond and Martha Ogletree were in Coosa Co., Ala. in 1840 and in Rusk Co., Texas in 1850. Children of Edmond Ogletree and Martha Sanders were Lewis Brantley, John Sanders, Louisa, Rutha, Mary, Jasper Newton, Clarissa, and Martha. Lewis and John remained in Coosa Co., Ala. when Martha and Edmond moved to Texas. ■

Marian Sanders, 585 Heather Ave., Alden, IA 50006-8021, [msanders@cnsinternet.com]. is researching Sanders in the Morris County, N.J. area, and in Somerset Co. also. Earliest ancestor Joseph (before 1700) supposed to have been married to Jerusha Pennington (not documented). His son Ephriam married Sarah Rogers and died abt 1850. His son Simeon married to Hannah, and died mid-1850s. His son Darius lived in Mendham Township, and was married to a Polly or Mary Lochman from Roxbury Township. The next generation was Sylvester Sanders, who married Eliza Bryan 8 Oct 1836, and died 16 Jul 1904 in W. Jersey, Stark Co. Ill. I am looking for any descendants of these families, and would welcome information and contacts. ■

About This Issue

All queries received from subscribers to date have been included. Let me know if yours was missed. Queries from subscribers take precedence over queries from non-subscribers. Be sure to include enough material in queries so that someone can properly identify the people to whom they may possibly connect.

Thanks for the good stories. Several have been used in this issue—all the way from a Saunders governor to Sanders desperados. Keep sending in those stories. Also, more good pictures are needed.

E-mail addresses of contributors are listed right after the other address in brackets [], if the person has an e-mail address. It will be listed as an Internet address, so if you are on CompuServe, Prodigy, America-On-Line, or whatever—you can recognize the part of the address that can be used just for your service

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Indian War Pensions Can Be Gold Mine

Have you ever requested a bounty land application for someone who served in the Florida Indian Wars? Often they can be a gold mine of information as are other veterans pension or bounty applications that you can request from the National Archives. First, you need to give the veteran's name, place where enlisted, what specific "war," and his unit's name if you know it.

The following was requested by Don Schaefer (Siftings editor) for Francis E. Sanders, Creek War, Beauchamp's Co., 42 Ala. Mil. (volunteers), as listed with a group of Indian War veterans from Jackson Co., Ala.

Here is what was on the page with the most information:

The State of Alabama, Pike County

On the 28th day of April AD one thousand eight hundred and fifty five.

Before me F B Hurly a Justice of the Peace in said county and state a for said personally come Barbrey Sanders aged sixty six years a resident of Pike County and State of Alabama and being duly sworn according to law declares that she is the widow of Francis E Sanders desceased who was a private soldier in the

company of volunteers commanded by Captain Beechum in the regiment of militia command by Col Curry in the war of 1836 that her said husband volunteered in Barbor County in the State of Alabama on or about the first of May 1836 and continue in actual service about one month and ten days and was honorably dischord at Eufalla about the first of July 1836. She further states that she was marred to the said Frances E Sanders in Lexington Destret South Carolina the first day of Oct 1805 by Esqr Williams as appears by family record and that her name before marriage was Barbrey Oswalt and that her said husband dide in Pike County Alabama the 9th day July 1852 and that she is now a widdow and has never received bounty land under this nor any other act of congress. She makes the declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which she may be entitled under the act approved March 3rd 1855.

*Barbrey Sanders
her mark*

*Sworn to on the day and date
above written before me*

F B Hurly J P ■

Nedra Sanders Married Buddy Clark; Albert Broccoli

Nedra Sanders daughter of William Jewell, Jr., son of William Jewel, Sr., son of Andrew Jackson Sanders, son of George Washington Sanders, son of Joshua and Peggy Sanders (Crawford Co., Mo.). Nedra m. singer Buddy Clark, he died in 1949 and she m. movie producer Albert R. Broccoli (the producer of the James Bond films). Nedra died in 1958 and is buried beside Buddy Clark and their daughter, Penny, who died at the age of 7 in 1950. (Because Penny and her Dad died so close to the same time I wonder what the cause was.). Submitted by: Sally Heller, 3130 Pearl Harbor, St. Ann, MO 63074. ■

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How About Allen Drury Sanders?

Sheila Sanders, 4069 Brown's Wells Road, Wesson, MS 39191, [Thistrose@aol.com] has family records that go back to Allen Drury Sanders (b. 1804 in N.C.) who had 10 children with his wife, Marie. They moved to Greene Co., Ala., where one of their sons, Lorenzo DeCalvin (her great-grandfather) was born in 1839. Lorenzo married Susan Malissa Butler and they had 16 children, one of whom (James William) was her grandfather. Lorenzo died in Tuscaloosa in 1907. One of the sons was supposed to have moved to Tenn., and several of them have been priests and even bishops in the Episcopal Church. Sheila has other information to share and is seeking those with connections. ■

From Edward E. Saunders, 8408 Julian Robles NE, Albuquerque, NM 87122, [EESaunders@worldnet.att.net]. My ancestors are James and Sarah Gunnel Saunders from Loudoun Co., Va. My web page has many generations listed, with Last Wills and Testaments also: <http://home.att.net/~eesaunders/tp.html> ■

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