

## **Sign of the Times: The Organization Power of Timelines**

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*Hit a brick wall? Wondering why your ancestors did what they did? Learn about timelines and how they might just help you solve your puzzles! Visual representations of data can make gaps, conflicts and paths to future discoveries easy to spot. If you use color-coding or other distinguishing methods to highlight locale or surname overlaps, connections sometimes just jump out at you. These are **NOT** the timelines you learned to make in school!*

*Timelines are **very visual**. Creating a multi-columned matrix can help you focus on missing gaps, seemingly contradictory information, previously invisible relationships, and more. Color-coding or other distinguishing methods can also highlight locale or surname overlaps, related records, etc.*

*As you summarize your data, it's not unusual to have questions jump out at you – insert as a comment? Found a “gap” in your knowledge -- add it to your “to do” list. Have put your project aside for a while, just review your timeline for all the key details as you resume your research?*

**NO special software needed** – can use word-processing or spreadsheet program to create.

They are “**living**” summaries of your knowledge. As you acquire new data, add it in!

### **Why Use Timelines ...**

- Assists in terms of getting a grasp of who is doing what, where and when
- Resolves seemingly contradictory data
- Identifies “gaps” in your research
- Facilitates strategizing what to do next
- Helps if you are a visual person
- Inserts some historical context
- Helps you satisfy ALL elements of the Genealogical Proof Standard

### **Tips for Creating Your Timeline ...**

- Be Brief!!!
- Use Endnotes (though I show bottom notes also)
- ALWAYS have a “Notes” Column.
- NO detail is unimportant!!!!
- Clearly indicate “proven” facts vs supposition – though, include both!
- Put spelling exactly as found (helps keep track of name variants)

### **Timeline Resources ...**

- *Timelines as Genealogical Research Tools* (Archives.com), by Diane L Richard, 5 Sep 2013, <http://www.archives.com/experts/richard-l-diane/timelines-as-genealogical-research-tools.html>
- *Sign of the Times: Timelines in Genealogy* (Internet Genealogy, March 2010), [http://www.mosaicrpm.com/files/Timelines\\_final\\_cr\\_op.pdf](http://www.mosaicrpm.com/files/Timelines_final_cr_op.pdf)

- “History for Genealogists, Using Chronological Time Lines to Find and Understand Your Ancestor” by Judy Jacobson (book)
- *Tips for Applying to a Lineage Society* (Archives.com), by Diane L. Richard, 6 Aug 2013, <http://www.archives.com/experts/richard-l-diane/tips-for-applying-to-a-lineage-society.html> -- includes discussion on using Timelines as a tool
- GeneLines (\$) – Software published by Progeny Genealogy, <https://progenygenealogy.com/products/timeline-charts/>
- TimeLine Maker (\$) – Software .... <http://www.timelinemaker.com/?p=products-pro-validdownload>
- **[NEW]** Youtube – Working on a Timeline, Kentucky Tennessee Research Associates (J. Mark Lowe), [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qccSZyk\\_UtE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qccSZyk_UtE)
- Build Timelines, Knight Lab, <http://timeline.knightlab.com/>

### **Ways in Increase Timeline Utility ...**

Some ways to make your timeline even more helpful are:

- Footnote key resources
- Include historical context – e.g., boundary changes, tax law information or anything that might impact how you interpret the information you have on your ancestor

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- Color coding to separate out different counties, when more than one locale might be involved or separate out entries for an individual
- Color coding and/or denoting different names that “repeat” within your timeline – there are sometimes names, for which you do not have a column” and yet provide a “linking thread” through the data that may become significant
- If you have several individuals with the same name – put their names along with some identifying information – in example #4 – lining up the information showed that there were two “distinct” Thomas Jacksons

### Timeline Examples ...

These examples are all based on a matrix format. A linear format can also be useful and my experience is that if you need to create a timeline, you probably have a complex problem that extends across individuals, families, time periods and/or locales. I typically create a timeline with date down the left and then columns for where and “who” are the focus.

#### Timeline Example ... #1 – Historical Context & FAN

| Year             | Place   | What  | Mahoney                         | Harris family                   | Alston family                                 | Others Mentioned   | Notes  |
|------------------|---|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|--------------------|--|
| c. 1736          | William Mahoney born (to be 21 for the 1757 deed – born this year or earlier) |   |                                 |                                 |   |                    |  |
| 1741             | Edgecombe County, North Carolina Formed 1741 from Bertie                      |   |                                 |                                 |   |                    |  |
| 1743-1754        | Brunswick County VA   | Births  |                                 | Gideon, Roe & Isaac -- brothers |   |                    | Children - Nathan Harris & Catherine Walton                      |
| 1747-1756        | Edgecombe County missing court minutes  |   |                                 |                                 |   |                    |  |
| 1757 (Oct & Nov) | Edgecombe   | Deed – John and Mary Melton to William Mehone | William (county not identified) |                                 |   | John & Mary Melton | 250 ac, head of Beaverpond, joining John Patterson & John Melton |
| 1758             | Halifax County, North Carolina Formed 1758 From Edgecombe County              |   |                                 |                                 |   |                    |  |
| 1758             |   |   |                                 |                                 | Alston family not listed Edgecombe Co Records |                    |  |

#### Timeline Example ... #2 – Multiple Family Members

| Date                   | Place   | Gibson | Drew/Drewry/Drury | Haywood | Other Merritts   | Other Players | Notes |
|------------------------|---------|--------|-------------------|---------|--|---------------|-------|
| 1804 (unknown ct date) | Sampson |        |                   |         | Jacob Merritt <sup>1</sup> allowed for keeping Bros Abrahams <sup>2</sup> two children <sup>3</sup>                              |               |       |
| 1806 (Feb Ct 1810)     | Sampson |        |                   |         | Robert Merritt allowance <sup>4</sup>  |               |       |
| 1807                   | Sampson |        |                   |         | Ordered that Jacob Merritt be allowed \$9 for keeping a child of Lally/Sally Merritt, three months in the year 1807 <sup>5</sup> |               |       |

<sup>1</sup> "Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements" ... W4739 – Jacob Merritt ... info provided by widow Jane Merritt. Statement given in Sampson, though she was a resident of Duplin, about 1.5 miles across the dividing line between the counties. They married September 1782 and he died 30 March 1815. An affidavit of Daniel Merritt (W6617), resident of Sampson County (though later it says lives in Duplin county/Sampson County on the plantation where he was born – maybe similar situation to Jane – proximity of the Sampson courthouse), mentions a brother David Merritt, mentions a brother Frederick – Mary Merritt, states that she married Daniel on 1 Jan 1801, he died on 12 Feb 1842, she was married at Taylor's Bridge in Sampson County at the home of Jacob Merritt

<sup>2</sup> or, could this be Absalom???

<sup>3</sup> Sampson County, Vestry Minutes, Wardens of the Poor, 1785-1824; 1 volume ... information about this topic per NCA web-site, [http://www.archives.ncdcr.gov/county\\_definitions.htm](http://www.archives.ncdcr.gov/county_definitions.htm)

*Records of the Wardens of the Poor: Includes volumes and boxes concerning the care of the poor and infirm, a function of the county before assumed by the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare in 1917. In colonial times, care for the poor was an ecclesiastical responsibility; records from this period may be found in vestry minutes. From 1777 to 1868, maintenance of the unfortunate was entrusted to the Wardens of the Poor; after 1868, the Board of County Commissioners assumed the responsibility. Volumes may include vestry minutes, minutes and accounts of the Wardens of the Poor, accounts and registers of the county home, and accounts of outside poor (impoverished persons living at home rather than in the county home).*


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<sup>6</sup> For Sampson County, only bastardy bonds/records for 1835-1924 survive ... too late to be helpful

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## Timeline Example ... #3 – Two like-named individuals

|                  |  |  |
|------------------|--|--|
|                  | Thomas   | <b>Thomas</b> – 1 <sup>st</sup> wife, Anna Davenport, 2 <sup>nd</sup> wife, Mary Farmer  |
|                  |  | ➔ look into Anna Davenport   |
| 1804             |  | Final Distribution of Joseph Farmers Estate ... 4 <sup>th</sup> of the 5 <sup>th</sup> Mo. 1804 ... 5.18.11 ... of my Father in Laws estate  |
| 1810<br>(Census) | <p>Two 1810 census entries ... one a Thomas with a James adjacent and the other a Thomas with an Isaac a few households away. The latter is probably the Thomas with 1<sup>st</sup> wife Anna Davenport</p>  |  |
| 1815<br>(Tax)    | <p>Rush's District (includes Jackson Creek) (same as Rush in 1820 tax list)</p> <p><b>Andrew</b> (200a), <b>John</b> (330a, 1), James (277a), <b>Thomas</b> (100a, 1), <b>John</b> (1), Henry (1)</p>  | <p>Nalor's District (SW corner) (same as Shaw in 1820)</p> <p>George (1), James (169a, 1), <b>Thomas</b> (324 ac – 2nd Creek), <b>William</b> (1)</p>  |
| 1820<br>(Tax)    | <p>Capt Rush's Dist (includes Jackson creek) (same as Rush in 1815)</p> <p><b>Andrew</b> Snr (200a), Andrew Jnr (1), Henry (1), James (277a), <b>John</b> (330a), Levy (1), Noah (1), <b>Solomon</b> (1)</p>   | <p>Capt Shaw's Dist (same as Naylor in 1815)</p> <p><b>Thomas</b> (324 ac, adj Hardy Winslow, 0 wh poll, 1 bl poll), <b>William</b>, son of Thomas (1), <b>David</b>, son of Thomas (1) [appears to be one family]</p> |

| Year            | Where                         | What  |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|---|
| c. 1790         |                               | Jesse Upton born  |
|                 |                               | Birth Jane Upton (if 21 on 4 May 1835, born before 4 May 1814) (alive on 1 June 1833 – purchases from grandmother Elizabeth <b>Hinshaw's</b> estate)  |
| 14 April 1814   | Cane Creek MM, Chatham County | Jesse Upton marries Ann <b>Hinshaw</b>  |
| c. 1816         | Moore County                  | Birth John Upton  |
| c. 1818-1820    | Moore County                  | Birth Elizabeth Upton   |
| 1820            | Census – Moore County         | Jesse : males under 10 - 1 ; males 26-45 - 1 ; females under 10 - 2 ; 26-45 - none listed<br>(where could Ann be?!?! – is this the correct family?)<br>John : males over 45 - 1 ; females 10-16 - 1 ; females over 45 - 1 |
| Aft 1820        | Moore County                  | Birth Absalom Upton   |
| c. 1821-1822    |                               | Birth Rebecca Upton (the youngest daughter based on her being the only child still listed in the guardian papers of 1842)   |
| 31 May 1825     | Randolph County               | Jesse murdered wife, Ann <b>Hinshaw</b>   |
| Oct 1826        | Davidson County               | Jesse tried and found guilty – trial moved from Randolph <b>Cty</b>   |
| May 1828        | Guilford County               | Jesse tried and found guilty again (Supreme ct previously granted a new trial – after this conviction, again appealed to the Supreme Court)   |
| c. 1827         | Randolph County               | Son John Upton achieves majority – consistent with not having a share of grandfather's estate as distributed via the guardian of Rebecca and Elizabeth  |
| 1830            |                               | No John Upton listed for Moore <b>Cty</b> (possibly living with a child) – only person listed is James (20-30) and a wife   |
| 1830            |                               | The Upton children are probably living with relatives (possibly the <b>Hinshaw</b> family)  |
| 27 Sep 1836     | Randolph County               | Jane Upton marries Isaac Lassiter   |
| Bef 30 Aug 1838 | Randolph County               | Did son Absalom Upton die and so did not share in grandfather's estate?   |
| 30 Aug 1838     | Moore County                  | Equity \$ to Rebecca and Elizabeth  |
| 7 Nov 1838      | Guilford County               | Hung for murder   |
| 29 Aug 1839     | Moore County                  | Estate \$ to Rebecca and Elizabeth  |

**Timeline Example ... #4 -- Color-coding multiple locations (alternately, shades of grey serve the same purpose or altering the background)**



Timelines are an effective way to take **LARGE QUANTITIES** of information and **SUMMARIZE** it.

By **QUICKLY** and **EFFICIENTLY** reviewing data via creating a timeline, **RESEARCH STRATEGIES** become evident.

| Year  | District  | Robert Thomas               | Thomas Thomas | David Thomas | Phillip Thomas | William Thomas <sup>4</sup> |
|---|---|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|-----------------------------|
| 1783  | Richmond  | (not found in any district) |               | X            | X              |                             |
| 1784  | Richmond (Missing from these 2 record groups)<br>Richmond (book abstract gives us that David Thomas and Andrew Warwick were both enumerated in the district)<br>About the year that Robert would reach majority and be liable for taxes, based on assuming he was 21 when he married in 1787 [we don't find him in the tax records until 1789 – maybe living with his father-in-law?]<br>Neither David nor Phillip ever show more than 1 poll |                             |               |              |                |                             |
| 1785  | Richmond  | (not found in any district) |               | X            |                |                             |
| 1786  | Richmond  | (not found in any district) |               | X            | X              |                             |
| 1787  | Richmond  | (not found in any district) |               | X            | X              |                             |
| 1788  | Richmond  | (not found in any district) |               | X            | X              |                             |
| 1789  | Richmond  | X (300 ac, 1 WP)            |               | X            | X              | X                           |
| 1790  | Richmond  | X (300 ac, 1 WP)            |               | X            | X              |                             |
| This also shows that Robert is clearly in Caswell in 1790 and so should be listed in the 1790 census – he was a land owner! |   |                             |               |              |                |                             |
| 1791  | Richmond  | X (300 ac, 1 WP)            |               | X            | X              | X                           |
| 1792  | Gloucester  | X (300 ac, 1 WP)            |               |              |                |                             |
| 1793  | Gloucester  | X (200 ac, 2 WP)            |               |              |                |                             |
| 1794  | Gloucester  | X (200 ac, 1 WP)            |               |              |                |                             |
| 1795  | Gloucester  | X (200 ac, 1 WP)            | X             |              |                |                             |
| 1796  | Gloucester  | X (213 ac, 1 WP)            | X             |              |                |                             |
| 1797  | Gloucester  | X (200 ac, 1 BP)            |               |              |                |                             |

**Timeline Example ... #5a – Focus on a specific “type” of record, in this case Tax**

**Timeline Example ... #5b – Focus on a specific “type” of record, in this case Tax**

#### WAKE TREASURES

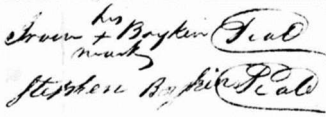

| Census/<br>Tax Year | Nathaniel Jones (i)<br>(father of Henry (ii))   | Nathaniel Jones (ii)<br>[White Plains]<br>(father of Nancy)   | Henry Jones (i)<br>(son of Nathaniel Jones (i))  | Nathaniel [Crabtree] Jones<br>(son of Nathaniel Jones (i))   | Nathaniel Jones<br>(Middle Creek) | Henry Jones (ii)<br>(distantly connected to Nathaniel Jones WP?)       |
|---------------------|---|---|--|--|-----------------------------------|--|
| 1797                |   |   | Henry Jones has a land grant for 236 acres in Wake County  |  |                                   |  |
| 1802                | Capt Shar <sup>d</sup> Coles District<br>Nathaniel Jones, 3435, 8   | Capt <sup>m</sup> Mi Muckleroy<br>Nathaniel Jones (WP)<br>7872, 2, 11<br>(Nathl took taxes)   | Capt Shar <sup>d</sup> Coles District<br>Henry Jones, 236, 1   | Captain B Perry District<br>Nathaniel Jones CT & entries of land   |                                   | Capt <sup>m</sup> Tho <sup>s</sup> Gores District<br>Henry Jones, 0, 1 |
| 1805                | Captain William Wardy's District<br>Nathaniel Jones Senr., 3435, 10   | Captain Hunters, Swift Creek<br>Nathaniel Jones (WP), 8004, 0, 12   | Captain William Wardy's District<br>Henry Jones, 236, 2  | Saint Matthews District<br>Nathaniel Jones CT, 1130<br>½, 1, 10<br>“for” Kimbrough Jones (illegible)<br>[list taken by Nathl Jones CT] |                                   | Crossroads<br>Henry Jones, 0, 1, 4                                     |
| 1809                | White Oak<br>Nathaniel Jones Senr., 2613, 0, 10   | Swift Creek<br>Nathl Jones WP, 12887, 2, 14<br><br>[another]<br>Nathaniel Jones MC, 1760, 1, 5<br>[shifts to Middle Creek district in later censuses] | White Oak<br>Henry Jones, 236, 1, 7  | St. Matthews District<br>Nathaniel Jones CT, 1333, 0, 13<br>for Kimbrough Jones, 112, 1, 0<br>for Alsey Jones, 0, 1, 0                 |                                   | Crossroads<br>Henry Jones, 67, 1, 5                                    |
| 1809 Will           | Signed as “Nathl Jones Senr”<br>Wife = Annah<br>Sons (got land) = Abridgton (upper portion of land where lives), Nathaniel Jnr (lower portion of land where lives), Henry (old tract on Crabtree), Matthew (land where lives on Neuse River)<br>Daughters (did not get land) = Peggy Kimbrough, Hasea Barbee, Polly Parton, Anna Wooten |   |  |  |                                   |  |
| 1810                | CENSUS NOT EXTANT FOR WAKE  |   |  |  |                                   |  |
| 1810                |   | Swift Creek<br>Nathl Jones WP, 11987 ½, 16  | White Oak<br>Henry Jones, 1987, 13<br>[gained 1751]<br><br>[another] Henry Jones, 602 ½, 0 [based on subsequent entries, probably father's estate] | Saint Matthew District<br>Nathl Jones CT, 1378 ½, 15<br>“for” K[imbrough] Jones, 112, 1  |                                   | Crossroads<br>Henry Jones, 65, 6                                       |

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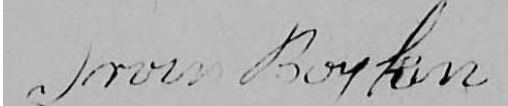

| Date          | Place   | Joseph J Bennett   | Wife, Susanna (Moore) Bennett  | Children | Neighbors/Associates                      | Notes   |
|---------------|---------|--|--|----------|---|---|
| 1847 (23 Jan) | Surry   |  | <i>Pemina</i> Moore, minor heirs of George Moore deceased  |          | Marriage: Moses Bennett + Fanny D Willard | Alien bill and J.C. Smith as securities<br>bondsman - William W Myers<br>Comment [DLR42]: 01/07/2013<br>Minor heirs of G Moore include (and are not linked to): Mary C, Susan P, Rebecca (sp?)  |
| 1849 (Aug)    | Iredell |  | State vs. Hezekiah M Scott, Bestard on the body of Miss "Salina" Moore. Upon motion ordered that defendant pay \$50 to Caline Moore over next three years. |          |   | Could Caline be the same as Pemina? or could Susan P be Susan Pemina?<br>with a mention of a Jacob in the action by Michael Stoler<br>Comment [DLR43]: 01/07/2013 - Hezekiah M Scott GR, born NC appears to be in Division 12, Cass, Georgia for 1850 census  |
| 1850          | Iredell |  | Census - John G Moore (though, no females w/above names)   |          |   | Indexed as John G Moore 1501 with Jane (22), Mary A (19), W A (18), John M (16), Geo A C (15), Rose W (10), Julia F (10), Elizabeth E (13), Martha (21) <i>Comment [DLR44]: 01/07/2013 - online Ancestry.com trees assert born 3 Feb 1850, died and died 13 Jan 1882 - Taylorsville, Alexander - son of Anthony &amp; Mary Heffner) Moore. https://trees.ancestry.com/tree/15391558/person/914281514?i=4&amp;cat=9553</i><br>Comment [DLR45]: 01/07/2013 - underlined names might match 1850 census summary 277 |
| 1850          |         |  | Where? Is she deceased by 1844 since John G assumed guardianship of daughters? Where is the Austin Family?   |          |   | Comment [DLR46]: Appears to be a widow  |
| 1850          | Surry   | a Joseph J. born c. 1834, living with Charity --> consistent with evidence in Army |  |          | Charity Bennett (47, 19) (Federal Census) | apparent children - Mary J (21) Charles E (18) Joseph J (19) George W (14)  |

**Timeline Example ... #6 – Using “bubbles” and highlighting to summarize other details and/or emphasize “to do” items, outstanding questions, etc.**

## Timeline Example ... #7 – Using as a Lineage Application Tool

| Gen | Name  | Birth                          | Marriage  | Death | Link to parents | Notes/Service  |
|-----|---|--------------------------------|---|-------|-----------------|--|
| 6   | <b>Irvin Boykin</b><br>Elizabeth "Betsey" Sullivant | Abt 1790, Nash, NC<br>Abt 1791 | c. 1807<br>You list children as:<br>Irvin (1808-)<br>Harris (1815-)<br><b>Stephen</b> (1815-1865)<br>John Stanley (1824-1890)<br>William Fenley (1826-1860)<br>Ruffin (1834-) | 1860  |                 | <p><b>1814</b> – Nash Co [NC War of 1812 Muster Rolls]<br/> <b>[NEW] 11 May 1816</b> – Deed; James Grice by Shf to <b>Irvin Boykin</b>, Bk 9 Pg 341, 99A, Hannah Bailus corner, Reddick Ellis corner, Irvin <b>Eatman</b> corner; witnesses = Griffin Gandy, Foster Gandy<br/> <b>1817</b> Ct Mins – <b>Owen Sylvaent</b> elected constable in Capt Harrison's Dist with <b>Irwin Boyakin</b> &amp; James Viverett Secy<br/> <b>[NEW] 22 Aug 1818</b> – Deed (Bk 12 Pg 201); Hardy Boycan Sen to <b>Irvin Boycan</b>, 100A, Jacob Baycon line, John Staff (sp?), Irwin <b>Eatman</b> line; witnesses = Drew Williams, Owen <b>Sillivant</b>, Weeks Williams, Hardy signed with a mark [proven Feb Term 1828]<br/> <b>1820</b> – Federal Census – Nash (5 M &lt;10, 1 M 26-44); 1 F (26-44); alphabetized by surname [district includes <b>Hardy Sr</b>, <b>Jonathan</b>, <b>Hardy Jr</b>, <b>Stephen</b>, Hannah, Jacob, <b>Thomas</b> ...]<br/> <b>[NEW] 3 Sept 1824</b> – Deed (Bk 11 pg 461); Hardy Boyakin Senr to <b>Irvin Boyakin</b>, 100A, Whittlebury branch, <b>Jonathan</b> Boykin line, <b>Irvin Boykin</b> line, Irvin <b>Eatman</b> line, John <b>Eatman</b> line "being the land and plantation where I now live to gether with the right after my decest and my wife decest to Sd Irvin Boykin his heirs and assigns forever"; witnesses = Hardy Pridgen, Cornelius <b>Sullivent</b>; Hardy signed with a mark<br/> <b>1826</b> Ct Mins [could be Jr (~18) or Sr] <b>Ervin Boykin</b> pay to Sarah Nicholson – support &amp; maintenance of her Bastard Child [entry in 1827; Scifa against Irvin Boykin regarding Sarah Nichols]<br/> <b>1827</b> Ct Mins – deed of sale from <b>Hardy Boykin</b> to <b>Irvin Boykin</b> proven by oath of Cornelius <b>Sullivant</b><br/> 1827 Ct Mins – Road Jury – Weeks Williams overseer; John Peele's Mill to David Winbourn's – hands = Henry Pridgen, Needham Baily, Hardy Griswault, Cornelius <b>Sellevant</b>, Wm Taylor, Alsey <b>Eatmon</b>, Jesse Newsom, Irvin <b>Eatmon</b>, <b>Hardy</b> Boykin, <b>Alsey</b> Boykin, <b>Stephen</b> Boykin, <b>Thomas</b> Boykin, <b>Irvin Boykin</b>, Harris Howard &amp; Levie Bailey<br/> 1828 Ct Mins – Deed of sale from <b>Hardy Boykin</b> to <b>Irvin Boykin</b> proven by oath of <b>Owen Sylvaent</b><br/> 1828 Ct Mins – Levy Baley overseer of road form John Peele's Mill to David Winbourn's with following hands – Henry Pridgen, Hardy Grizzell, David Winbourn, Alsey <b>Eatman</b>, Lucy Bailey, Jesse Newsom, <b>John</b> Boykin, <b>Stephen</b> Boykin, <b>Irvin Boykin</b>, <b>Thomas</b> Boykin, <b>Alsey</b> Boykin, Needham Baley, <b>Hardy</b> Boykin, &amp; Jesse Fulgum<br/> <b>1830</b> – Federal Census – <b>Eatmons</b>, Nash → <b>fill in details</b><br/> <b>4 Aug 1830</b> – MB son <b>Irven</b> with <b>Stephen</b> as co-signer, <b>Irven Boykin</b> + Smithy Barnes; Stephen signed name &amp; Irvin signed with a mark<br/> <br/> <b>[NEW] 4 Oct 1832</b> – Deed (Bk 15 Pg 360), <b>Irven Boykin</b> to Hardy Boykin, Carters Branch, Irven <b>Eatmans</b> corner, 100A; witnesses = Jacob Fulgham, Hillard Boykin, signed by Irvin Boykin (with a signature)<br/> <b>[NEW] 21 March 1834</b> – Deed (Bk 16 Pg 188), John <b>Eatman</b> to <b>Erving Boyakin</b> – 97A, Moonham Mill Branch, widow Bailey corner, Wm Grizzels; witnesses = Hutson Bailey, Cornelius <b>Sullivant</b><br/> 1835 Ct – deed of sale from <b>Irvin Boykin</b> to <b>Hardy Boykin</b> proven by Jacob Fulghum<br/> <b>[NEW] 1837</b> (19 Dec) – MB – <b>Tobias</b> Boykin + Frances Duck; co-bondsman = Irvin Boykin (signed name) [seems similar to 1854 signature] [Tobias did NOT sign]<br/> <br/> <b>1840</b> – Federal Census – Nash [Irven Baykin] (2 M 5-9, 2 M 10-14, 2 M 15-19, 3 M 20-29, 1 M 40-49, 1 F 20-29, 1 F 40-49); neighbors = Alsey Ricks, Jeremiah Perry, Jeremiah Bigs, <b>Tobias Boykin</b>, L? Moris, James Bost, Joseph Hair ...]<br/> <b>1850</b> – Federal Census – Nash (Irvin, 59 + Elizabeth, 59 + William F, 24 + Ruffin, 16)<br/> <b>[NEW] 1854</b> – Rev War Pension affidavit for Owen Sullivant; signed name</p> |

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|-----|--|---------------------------------|----------|--|-----------------|---|
|     |  |                                 |          |  |                 |  <p><b>[NEW]</b> 1854 - Irvin was a witness on deed from [son] Wm F Boykin to [son] Harris Boykin "of Johnston" (6 Jan 1855), witnessed by Irvin Boykin &amp; Matthew Boykin</p>  <p><b>1860</b> – Federal Census – Old Fields, Wilson (Irvin, 69 + Elizabeth, 70)</p>  |
| 7a  | <b>[Maybe]</b><br><b>Hardy</b><br><b>Boykin</b><br><b>Sr</b> | Abt 1747<br>per death<br>notice |          | 11<br>Januar<br>y 1827,<br>Nash<br>[per<br>newspa<br>per<br>article] |                 | <p>Granville LG Moratorium, 1763-1778</p> <p>1784 – LG File, Nash, 400A, grant #325, waters of the <b>March Swamp</b>; CB = Benj<sup>a</sup> Boykin &amp; Drewry Boykin</p> <p>1790 – Federal Census – Nash (2 M &lt;16, 3 M &gt;16, 5 F)</p> <p>13 Feb 1796 Deeds – Hardy Boyakin, Drewry Boyakin of Nash to Hardy Thorne, 125A part of tract granted to Benjamin Boyakin, 9 July 1795; both signed with marks, witnesses = Benj<sup>a</sup> Cobb &amp; Jacob Boykin [Drewry Boykin Snr had 2 other deeds to Hardy Thorne – 145A N/S Contentny Creek &amp; 440A Mash Swamp]</p> <p>1799 Ct Mins – William Moore, Moses Smelly, Hardy Boyakin, Owen <b>Syllavent</b>, John Taylor, John <b>Eatman</b> &amp; John Cockrell – divide land, Coten</p> <p>1800 Census – Halifax, Nash (1 M &lt;10, 2 M 10-15, 1 M &gt; 45, 1 F &lt;10, 2 F 16-25, 1 F &gt; 45)</p> <p>1802 Ct Mins – Wm Moore, <b>Hardy Boyakin</b>, <b>Owen Syllavent</b>, Thomas Williamson &amp; Joseph Williamsons divide a tract of land on <b>Marsh Swamp</b></p> <p>1804 Ct Mins – estate of Judith Boykin, administrator; co-bondsman = Drury Williams</p> <p>1805 Ct Mins – deed of sale from Hardy Boykin to Jacob Boyakin &amp; another to <b>Jonathan Boyakin</b>; proven by oath of Drury Williams</p> <p>1808 Ct Mins – deed of sale from <b>Hardy Boyakin</b> to <b>Hardy Boyakin</b></p> <p>1810 Census – Nash (2 M 10-15, 1 M 16-25, 1 M &gt; 45, 1 F &lt;10, 1 F 16-25, 1 F 26-44, 1 F &gt; 44)</p> <p>1814 Ct Mins – Hardy Boykin Jr called to jury duty</p> <p>1815 Ct Mins – Deed from <b>Owen Syllavent</b> to Hardy Boykin Jr ack</p> <p>1820 – Federal Census – 1 M 10-15, 1 M 16-18, 1 M 16-25, 1 M &gt; 45, 1 F &lt; 10, 1 F 16-25, 1 F &gt;45) [same page has <b>Jonathan Boykin</b>, <b>Hardy Boykin Jr</b>, <b>Irvin Boykin</b>, <b>Stephen Boykin</b>, Hannah Boykin, Jacob Boykin &amp; <b>Thomas Boykin</b>]</p> <p>1826 Ct Mins – deed of sale from Cornelius <b>Sullivant</b> and another from Needom Bailey to Hardy Boykin, ack</p> <p><b>NOTE: Hardy Boykin Sr appears to have died 11 January 1827 per 2 February 1827 Death Notice @ 80 years old: why does everyone give a death date of 3 June 1832 ?!?!?</b></p> <p>1827 Ct Mins – deed of sale from <b>Hardy Boykin</b> to <b>Irvin Boykin</b> proven by oath of Cornelius Sullivant</p> <p>1828 Ct Mins – Deed of sale from <b>Hardy Boykin</b> to <b>Irvin Boykin</b> proven by oath of <b>Owen Syllavent</b></p> <p>1830 – Federal Census – Eatmons, Nash (2 M &lt; 5, 2 M 10-14, 1 M 15-19, 1M 40-49, 1 F 59, 1 F 10-14, 1 F 40-49, 1 slave → <b>this is Hardy Boykin Jr</b>)</p> <p>1835 Ct – deed of sale from <b>Irvin Boykin</b> to <b>Hardy Boykin</b> proven by Jacob Fulghum</p> <p><b>(###)</b> 8 Aug 1837 -- Nash – Wills – Book 1 pg 419, wife = Polley Boykin, lends wife 200A of land given by his father, 100A that he bought of Robert Eatman &amp; 50A at the roe place adj <b>Hilliard Boykin</b>, son = <b>Hardy W Boykin</b>, son = <b>Council Boykin</b>, son = <b>Alsey Boykin</b>, daughter = Sally Fulghum, son = <b>Alfred Boykin</b>, daughter = Clarrey Renfrow, daughter = Linsey Boykin, son = <b>Rickmon Boykin</b>; executors = <b>Hilliard</b> and <b>Alfred Boykin</b> (sons); Hardy signed with a mark; witnesses = Jesse &amp; Edwin Fulghum [proven Nov term 1837]; buyers @ estate sale = widow, <b>Alsey</b>, <b>Irvin</b>, <b>Hardy W</b>, <b>Council</b> &amp; <b>Hilliard</b> → estate divided amongst 8 heirs in 1839 (this matches widow + 8 children listed <b>(###)</b>) → <b>Does NOT have a son Irvin/Eavin</b> etc</p> |
|     | Mary ???   |                                 |          | After<br>1836<br>(petitio<br>n for<br>dower)                         |                 |   |