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ATTORNEY AT LAW

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CLAIMS COLLECTED.

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Widow

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June 22nd 1910.

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Chairman Board of Pensioners

North Carolina, Surry County.

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Submitted by Teresa Smith

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Bunny Jeanne Harvey - The Heritage - 11715 So State # U-101
Draper Utah 84020 email: **bunny@vii.com**

WILLARD family

My 3rd great-grandparents:

NANCY WILLARD born 1792 in Surry co NC; died before 1860 Surry co NC;

NANCY md 1807/1808 Surry county NC to:

RILEY WHITAKER born 1784 Surry co NC; who died 1856 in NC; not sure of his parents but from the lineage of William Whitaker/Whitacre the

Founder.

Children of Nancy and Riley:

--all children born in Surry county North Carolina--

1)Margaret 'Peggy' Whitaker born 1809; died by 1857, unmarried

2)Nelly Whitaker born 1811; married 15 Mar 1835 to Silas Pendry

3)Lorenzo Dow Whitaker born 1814; died by 1853; md 5 Dec 1831 to Riney (Rhina) Fitzgerald (NOT our line)

4)Robert C. Whitaker born 1821 md Catharine Weatherman - my line

5)William R. Whitaker born 1822; died 1863 during Civil War; md 8 Feb 1844 to Sarah Carter

6)Elizabeth Whitaker born 1826; md 25 Nov 1845 to Henderson Sprinkle

7)Nancy Whitaker born 1829; md @ 1851 to John E Long

8)James Whitaker born 1832; md 9 Aug 1853 to Elizabeth Gough

9)Lethea Whitaker born 1834 - no more data on her anywhere

My 4th great-grandparents:

ALLEN WILLARD born possibly in the 1770s; died in Surry co North Carolina. Very vague. He married 6 Jan 1816 Surry co North Carolina to: **NANCY HUTCHINS**, her parents and data unk for now.

Children of Allen Willard: (possibly others)

1)Nancy Willard born 1792 Surry co NC; md @ 1808 to Riley Whitaker

- my line see above

2)Mary Willard who md Christian Burton

3)Fanny Willard who md Johnson Lindsey

My 5th great-grandparents:

AUGUSTIAN WILLARD died 1823 in Surry co North Carolina; he md: **NANNE/FANNE** (maiden name unknown). Augustian was a considerable land holder and very early pioneer in that region. (Estimating years of birth Augustian could have been born 1740s - 1750s -- unproven and could be wrong on this.)

Children of Augustian and Nanne: (NOT necessarily in order)

*)Sally/Sarah Willard who md 27 June 1807 Surry co NC to Edmond Swinney

*)Allen Willard who md Nancy Hutchins 6 Jan 1816 Surry co NC- my line see above-

*)Jonathan Willard who md Keziah King 29 Dec 1809 Surry co NC

*)Nancy Willard

*)William Willard

children and data continued over

children of Augustian and Nanne:

*)Polly Willard

*)Fanny Willard

--estimating again the years of birth for these children could be 1770s and 1780s - not proven yet and could be wrong--

SOURCES:

Professional genealogist Kizziah of Salisbury NC in his many reports from 1959 - 1964

Yadkin co NC Deed Book "A" pages 387-3 Nov 1854; pg 499-21 April 1855; pg 320-4 July 1854; and 501-21 Apr 1855; pg 237-10 Feb 1853; pg 400-23 Feb 1849

Yadkin co NC Deed Book F page 375- 16 Oct 1863

Surry co NC Deed Book #4 pg 224 - 21 Feb 1843

Surry co NC Deed Book V pg 226 - 2 Jan 1836

Surry co NC Deed Book Y pg 343-349 inc Jan/Feb 1840

Book: HERITAGE OF YADKIN CO NC - Section 160 pg 154

Book: THE DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM WHITAKER AND HIS BROTHER JONATHAN OF

SURRY CO NC by Hester B Jackson, Chapter #7 page 151-153

Surry co NC Census 1830, 1840, 1850, 1860

Huntsville North Carolina General Store Ledger entry #141 - 11 Apr 1837; 9 April 1838 and 20 April 1838

*Lethea child #9 in 1840 and 1850 Census (also Kizziah reports items #73 and #74)

Professional genealogist Woodrow Arvanitas of W Jordan, Utah 1988-89

Also Kizziah report #5 Item #76 Riley Whitaker and Allen Willard lived next door to each other

Professional genealogist Bernard Whitaker of Athens, Georgia and his booklet: WHITAKER FAMILY HISTORY

Surry co NC Marriage records

Allen Willard conveying land to Nancy, wife of Riley Whitaker:

Surry co NC Deed Book Y page 343 - 8 Feb 1840 (Kiz Rpt 2 #20-21)

Surry co NC Deed Book Y pg 343 - 8 Feb 1840 additional

Surry co NC Deed Book W pg 46 - 1 Mar 1832 (Kiz Rpt 6 #87)

Surry co NC Deed Book V pg 226 - 2 Jan 1836 (Kiz Rpt 5 #76)

Granville co NC 1790 US Census has Augustian Willard listed in the Dutch district with Thomas Swinney - also Kiz Rpt 6 #89

Augustian Willard's WILL filed 28 April 1823 in Surry co NC

Book #3 pg 156

HERITAGE OF YADKIN CO NC Section 785 pg 543 - that in 1792 Augustian Willard sold land to James Pilcher Jr

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CC: bunny@vii.com

Hello Wilma - !

Thank you so much for your 28 Jan response!

I have just written your referral: Sarah Khrief of Cooksville Tennessee - and thank you very much for her address and the suggestion to write her. I'll let you know what she says when she writes me back.

I had not heard of the books (3 volumes) DESCENDANTS OF STRANGEMAN HUTCHINS by Rita Townsend. Will look around for them.

I'm pretty limited as to what I can do. I'm housebound and much rely on postal mail, email and Internet and other persons' works.

One question I've had for a long time was my Allen Willard, son of Augustian Willard, and this Allen being the father of my Nancy Willard born 1792 Surry county NC who married Riley Whitaker. In alot of books there is mentioned an Allen Willard in the war of 1812 who was married to one Nancy Hutchins. But no one ties my Allen into the Hutchins family - I bet that book by Rita Townsend would!!!! I still have my Allen with 'wife unknown.'

Anyway, still at stalemate and glad to hear someone else is having the same troubles and problems I am researching this family - !!!!!

Good Hunting and thanks again for the referral!

Somewhere a Cousin

Bunny Jeanne Harvey in Draper Utah

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*mailed her 6 pages from Betsy Davis
Hiatt book on the Allen Willard family
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James heretofore peaceably quietly possess and enjoy the before
 grant of land and premises without the least molestation of any
 person, and the said Augustine Willard both warrant the said
 land to the said James Pelcher his heirs and assigns forever
 from the just claim of any person. In witness whereof I the
 said Augustine Willard have hereunto set my hand and affixed
 my seal the day and year first above written.

Signed, sealed in
 presence of us

Augustine Willard Seal
 mark

John Frauman
 John Pelcher. Surry County November term 1813 The
 execution of the within Deed was duly acknowledged in open
 court by said Willard, & ordered to be registered.

Just J. Williams C.C.
 J. J. Williams Jun. D.C.

Charles Prada to John Renigo, a Deed.

This Indenture made this day of January in the year of our
 Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirteen between Charles Prada
 of Surry County and State of North Carolina of the one part and
 John Renigo of the County and State aforesaid of the other part
 Witness that for and in consideration of the sum of fifty
 pounds paid by the said John Renigo to the said Charles Prada
 the receipt whereof is hereby fully acknowledged by the said
 Charles Prada that to the said Charles Prada he doth sell and by
 these presents doth sell and convey and make over in fee simple
 unto the said John Renigo his heirs and assigns forever a certain
 tract or parcel of land situate on the waters of Deep Branch
 Turners branch beginning at a post oak as I run with the said Deed
 North sixty degrees West sixteen chains & thirty links to a Spanish
 oak then in double thirty two degrees West eleven chains and forty
 links to a white oak then in North sixty degrees West thirteen chains
 and thirty links to a Spanish oak on the road thence South seven
 degrees eight and a half to a Spanish oak thence West fourteen chains to
 a white oak then South nearly fourteen chains & twenty
 links to a Spanish oak East crossing the big road fifteen chains to
 post oak then in double seven chains & thirty links to post oak
 then East twenty eight chains to white oak and then to the
 beginning containing eighty four acres & a half by the same
 more or less to have and to hold the aforesaid eighty four and a half
 acres of land with all rights privileges and improvements to the
 same in any wise belonging to him the said Charles Prada
 doth hereby covenant and agree to and with the said John
 Renigo that he the said John Renigo his heirs and assigns
 shall and may forever hereafter peaceably and quietly have hold
 occupy possess and enjoy the aforesaid granted land and premises
 without the least hindrance or molestation of any person or persons
 whatsoever and free and clear from all incumbrances whatsoever
 and the said Charles Prada doth oblige himself his heirs executors
 and administrators to warrant and defend the aforesaid granted land
 and premises to him the said John Renigo his heirs and assigns
 forever against all persons whatsoever Whoseof I the said

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 to the said Benjamin
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 Williams C.C.
 Williams Jun. D.C.

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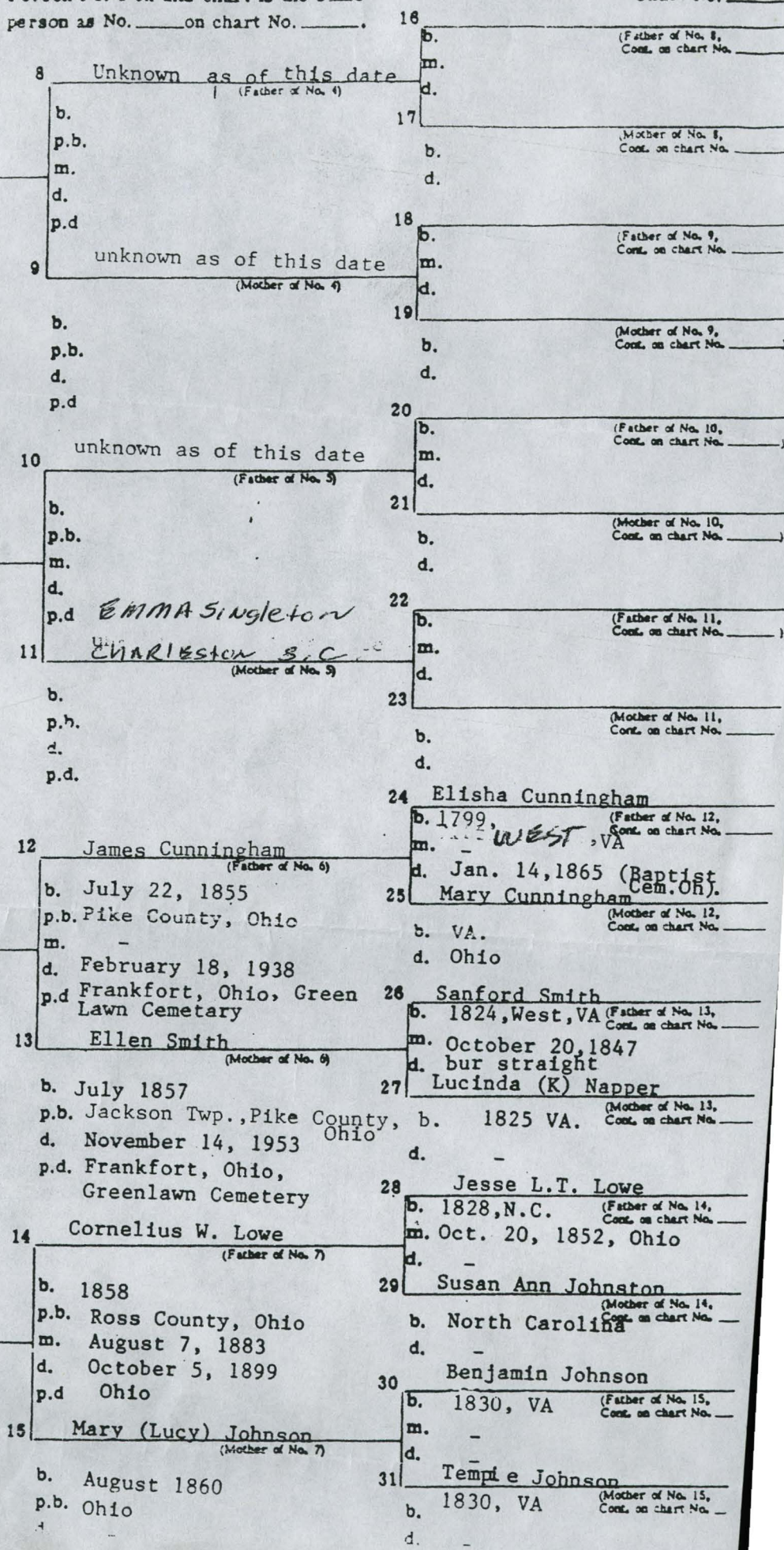
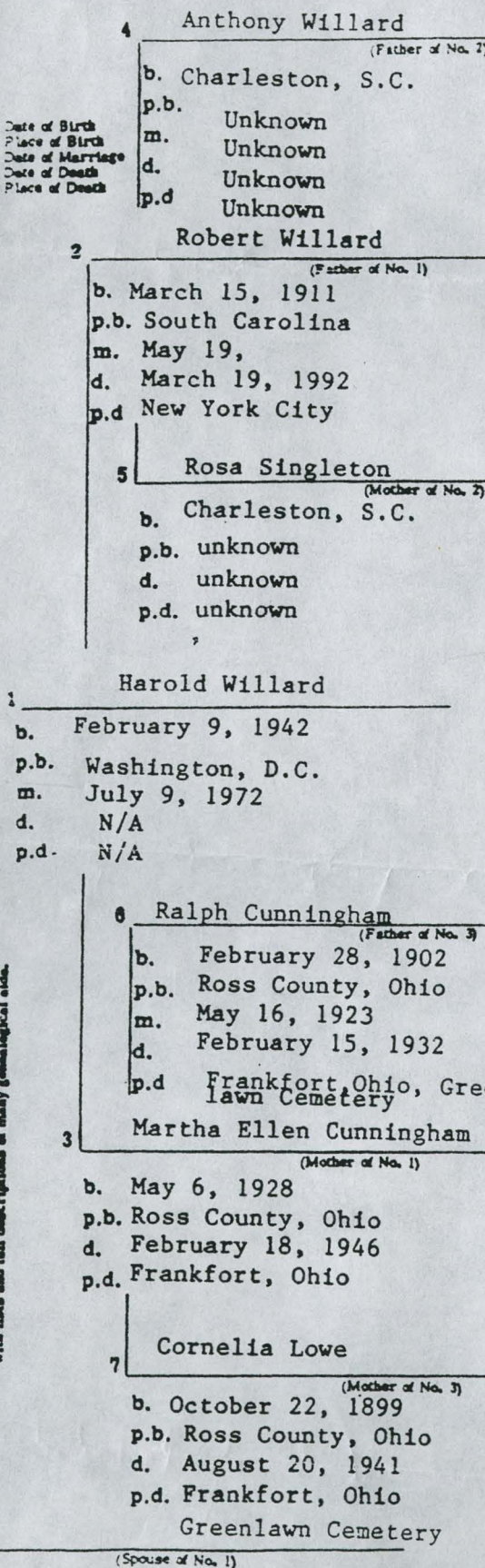
Ancestor Chart

Name of Compiler Harold Willard
 Address 111-11 143rd Street
 City, State Jamaica, NY 11435
 Date October 1995

Person No. 1 on this chart is the same person as No. _____ on chart No. _____.

Chart No. _____

Date of Birth
 Place of Birth
 Date of Marriage
 Date of Death
 Place of Death



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PEDIGREE CHART

24 Oct 1994

Chart no. 1

Ordinance Codes:

- B=Baptized
- E=Endowed
- P=Sealed to parents
- S=Sealed to spouse
- C=Children's ordinances

<p>2 Luther Green WILLARD-933----- BORN: 14 Feb 1892 BEPS PLACE: Mt Airy, Surry, NC, US MARR: 30 Oct 1912 --288 PLACE: Mt. Airy, Surry, NC, US DIED: 23 Feb 1955 PLACE: Moncks Conner, Berkley, SC, US </p>	<p>4 Rufus Gideon WILLARD-944----- BORN: 11 Sep 1865 BEPS PLACE: Surry Co., Surry, NC, US MARR: 13 Feb 1887 --290 PLACE: Surry Co. DIED: 23 Dec 1935 PLACE: Surry Co., Surry, NC, US </p>	<p>8 James WILLARD-1177----- BORN: 29 May 1820 PLACE: ,Stokes Co, NC, USA MARR: --292 PLACE: DIED: 22 Mar 1905 PLACE: </p>
<p>1 Blanche Cora WILLARD-3----- BORN: 20 Aug 1914 BEPS PLACE: Mt. Airy, Surry, NC, US MARR: 13 Aug 1931 --66 PLACE: Hillsville, Carroll, Va, USA DIED: 25 Jul 1994 PLACE: Mt. Airy, Surry, NC, USA William Vestal HIATT-2----- Spouse </p>	<p>5 Mary Ann BARNES-946----- BORN: 13 Jun 1865 BEPS PLACE: Mt. Airy Surry N DIED: 9 Aug 1929 PLACE: Surry Co. </p>	<p>9 Elizabeth COLLINS-965----- BORN: Abt 1816 PLACE: DIED: Abt 1870 PLACE: </p>
<p>3 Bertha Elizabeth CAUDLE-935----- BORN: 1 May 1893 BEPS PLACE: Mt Airy, Surry, NC, US DIED: 8 Feb 1926 PLACE: Mt Airy, Surry, NC, US </p>	<p>6 N Seymour CAUDLE-1015----- BORN: 28 Jul 1869 BEPS PLACE: Wilkes Co., NC MARR: --317 PLACE: DIED: 14 Jun 1928 PLACE: Randolph Co, NC </p>	<p>10 John M. BARNES-979----- BORN: 1825 PLACE: Stony Creek Comm, NC MARR: 25 Dec 1851 --303 PLACE: Stokes County, NC DIED: 1900 PLACE: Mt. Airy, Surry, NC </p>
<p>7 Laura Jane BURCH-1017----- BORN: 30 May 1868 BEPS PLACE: Surry Co., NC DIED: 23 Sep 1896 PLACE: Surry Co., NC </p>	<p>11 Letha L. HALL-980----- BORN: Abt 1825 PLACE: NC DIED: PLACE: </p>	<p>12 Simon Peter CAUDLE-1028----- BORN: 13 Oct 1834 PLACE: MARR: --319 PLACE: DIED: 29 Aug 1906 PLACE: </p>
<p>Name and address of submitter:</p>	<p>13 Sarah E. REECE-1029----- BORN: 25 Feb 1841 PLACE: DIED: 21 Sep 1891 PLACE: </p>	<p>14 William BURCH-1049----- BORN: Abt 1842 C PLACE: MARR: --320 PLACE: DIED: PLACE: </p>
<p>Phone:</p>	<p>15 Mary Ann GATES-1050----- BORN: Abt 1844 C PLACE: DIED: PLACE: </p>	

Wilma Hiatt
Co: Surry Co. Genealogical Assoc.
P.O. Box 997
Dobson, NC 27017

Dear Wilma:

Thanks for the research. I didn't expect you to go to the court house for me. All the information is greatly appreciated.

A couple of notes to add to your records.

Roxie Anne Willard

DOB Mar 20 1903 My source was Surry Co. Heritage

Della May Willard

DOB Mar 4 1906 is probably correct. My source was LDS database and 1900 Surry Census
Stillborn male Child of Luther Green Willard

DOB Feb. 8 1926 is probably correct. My source was LDS database

Marriage of Rufus Jackie Willard to Peggy J. Slater

Not positive but I believe I got this either from birth certificate or birth register in Surry Co. of their dau. Deborah Jean Willard. She was born in Forsyth Co. but recorded in Surry.

The Death notice you sent me is connected.

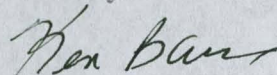
Jesse Franklin Barnes (Sr.) was the son of William Emmett Barnes and Susan Elizabeth Sechrest
William was the son of John M. Barnes Jr. who is also my ancestor.

I have made about 6 or 7 trips to Surry Co. courthouse over the past year and I am in the area from time to time on business. I will try to arrange my trips around when the Assoc. meets so that I can attend some of the meetings.

I have not received any of the journals yet. I have been reluctant to send in dues for 1997 until I saw if I got the 1996 back issues or not. I would appreciate it if you looked into this for me.

Thanks again for all your help.

Sincerely:



Kenneth Barnes
6423 Ran Lynn Dr.
Roanoke, Va 24018

PS: I may be getting close on finding the parents of my oldest known ancestor. I have some facts to check out yet to be sure. I will keep you posted.

SURRY COUNTY GENEALOGICAL ASSOCIATION
P. O. BOX 997
DOBSON, NC 27017

February 24, 1997

Kenneth Barnes
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Roanoke, VA 24018

Thank you for your additional information on the Willard family.

I called the SCGA member that is responsible for mailing out the journals and he did not give me a satisfactory answer. Maybe it was a bad time to call. If you still do not have all of your 1996 journals, call our President, Robert Holder, at 910-786-7449. I hope you have the journals by now and this is not necessary. I have just received my last 1996 journal (which was very late) and perhaps he was waiting until he got the last journal to send them all.

We hope you can make it to some of our meetings when you are in Mount Airy. If we can help you at a later date please let us know.

WH
Research Committee

Enclosures

The Mount Airy News

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Money In The Fridge

By MONDEE TILLEY

Staff Writer

Ada Willard lived a simple, frugal life, but when she died, to everyone's amazement it turned out that she had some frozen assets.

According to Mount Airy Postmaster Jim Littleton, Willard, who lived at 434 Galloway Street, was nearly blind, lived alone and could barely get around. Six years ago while attending Grace Moravian Church he obtained Willard's name through Surry County Social Services.

"I just want to serve through the Lord," noted Littleton.

He found that she needed to be put on the list for the Meals on Wheels program, but when the volunteers arrived, they found that they couldn't even get to her door because the house and yard were so run down and overgrown. So Littleton and youth members from the church took on the project to get her yard cleaned up.

"The first time I went and talked to her, she said she had been paying a preacher \$20 to mow her yard. Obviously he was just taking the money and not doing the work. It's really unbelievable," Littleton remarked.

Littleton said after about a year of looking after Willard he decided to call his friend Bill James, who is now the C.E.O at Northern Hospital.

James got his church -- First Baptist -- involved with helping Willard. His wife, Terri James said Tuesday that Willard owned her own home, but it was in terrible shape. She said the men from the church helped make some repairs on her home, took her food and helped with whatever she needed.

About a year and half later the Upper Room Sunday school class from the First Baptist Church began going to her home every week to check on her, buy her groceries and take her dog to the veterinarian. Someone from the church would also make sure they called and talked to her at least once a week.

Then, on Dec. 13, 2001, Ada Willard passed away at the age of 85. Her only son, Folger Willard preceded her in death about two years earlier.

Since the house had been condemned, it needed to be cleaned out before it could be demolished. When the cleaning crew arrived they went inside her freezer to throw out any bad food. But instead of chucking it in the trash, they decided to unwrap what they thought was food.

What they found was a sizable amount of cash. As a matter of fact, they found money all over the house.

Before she died, she always told everyone she wanted to leave everything she had to the church, but they had no idea what she meant by that. Littleton said she had very little decoration in her home -- very few material possessions at all.

So the First Baptist Church established the Willard Benevolent Fund in her honor. So far they have given \$1,000 to Meals on Wheels and \$1,000 was given to Lifeline. Now the group is considering either selling the land and giving the money to the Greater Mount Airy Chapter of Habitat for Humanity or donating the land for their use. The only problem they have encountered with donating the land is that it is zoned for industrial use.

A spokeswoman for the city said Thursday that it would be time consuming to have the land rezoned, but it could be done if the planning board and the city boards both vote to change the land's status.

Littleton commented Thursday how every time he went to visit her, especially after the death of her son, she would cry and ask him why the Lord was keeping her here.

“Well, I believe this is why he kept her here so long -- for this very

reason," he said. "Because this money will be used to help people who were just like her and need help."



Sam Willard, now 86, reminisces about his forty years as a granite carver while viewing photographs of his work.

Willard's

By TOM JOYCE
News Staff Writer

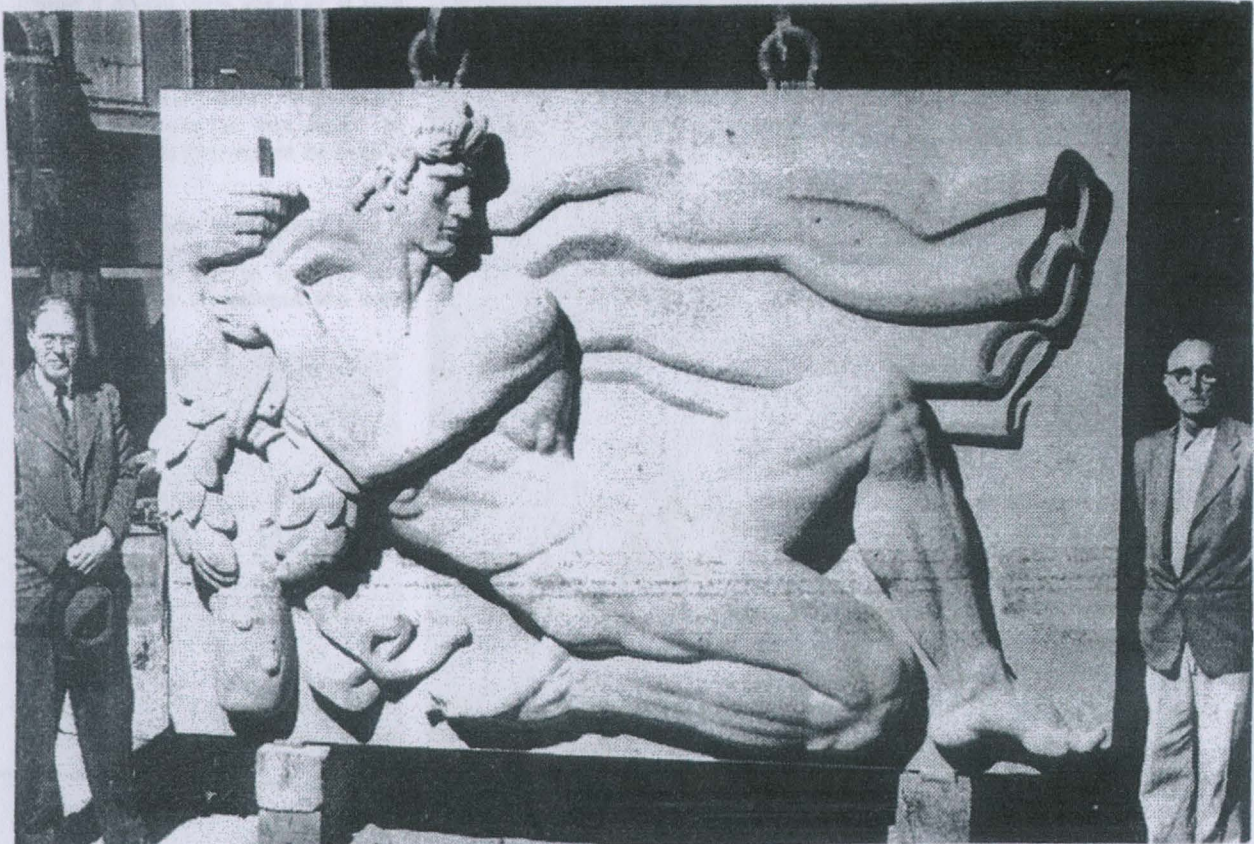
Sam Willard has spent most of his 86 years in Mount Airy, seldom venturing outside the boundaries of Surry County.

Yet he has managed to reach millions of people through his work, with examples of his craftsmanship on display throughout the United States.

In his 40-plus years as a carver with North Carolina Granite Corporation, Willard often worked to transform shapeless blocks of white granite into structures to be seen and admired for many years, and possibly centuries, to come.

While the toil of some artists shows up in music or on canvas, Willard's brand of artistry is reflected in finely-hewed monuments honoring well-known industrialists, government leaders and even characters from Greek mythology.

Now living in retirement on Hale Street in Mount Airy with his wife, Willard does not recall exactly how many monuments and other creations he carved from the local stone. But it is a fact that of the projects to which he lent his skills represent some of the more prominent



Work Has Reached Millions

products of the North Carolina Granite Corporation--from about 1920 to 1960 when he laid down his tools for good.

The list includes the monument forming part of the Harvey Firestone Memorial in Akron, Ohio; a gigantic carving of Hercules that Willard spent 904 hours carving, which now graces the Field House at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md.; granite identification panels and decorative monuments for the U.S. National Cemetery in Arlington, Va.; and a massive monument dedicated to military leader Col. Robert McCormick, incorporating Willard's carving of two larger-than-life Great Danes.

Although it bears mentioning that the local company as a whole produced the various works, much of the skilled carving that went into each was Willard's work, and his alone. He says one man would generally be responsible for the delicate carving on a particular job, achieved with pneumatic tools and hand implements. The use of several carvers would result in a finished product with inconsistent styles, he recalled.

But the retired carver now says that even though the tasks were often big, he thrived on the work itself.

"I liked carving work in general," Willard said at his home recently. "I enjoyed it all--but there was a lot of hard work in it."

Willard says today that his ability to draw led to his becoming a granite carver shortly after World War I. "I was pretty good at drawing at that time," he reminisced. "So they wanted me to go to carving."

He said learning to do detailed work in cold, hard granite was a difficult proposition--but that he grew to love carving as only a craftsman who takes

great pride in his work can.

"You've got to get interested in something like that," Willard said while describing on paper the way in which some lettered carvings were done--illustrating that his artistic abilities have weathered his retirement years.

And become interested he did.

Willard said he learned the ropes of granite carving from the late "Big Jim" Alfano, who had come to North Carolina from his native Italy. He learned the secrets of making fine shapes from quarried stone.

The elder craftsman said the first step in making a particular monument was coming up with a model of the desired item. The models were fashioned from plaster-of-paris and were usually about the same size as the item to be carved. Once he had a model to go by, the carver could then begin the meticulous task of carving away bits of granite, while the form of the

stone slowly, but surely began to resemble that of the model.

Carvings of letters and inscriptions began in the form of "blueprints, from which stencils were made. The stencils, made of a special type of paper, were fitted over the granite and "rubbed," Willard said, resulting in a pattern for the carver to follow.

Although modest about his skills (which his wife refers to today as "just a precious gift"), Willard now seems obviously proud when viewing scrapbook photographs of some of his work.

He does, however, feel a bit saddened that he is no longer involved in the work he loves. "While I was 'a doing it, I never would've dreamed I couldn't do it no more," he said.

An example of Willard's work closer to home is the lettering on the Mount Airy post office, which he completed about 1930.



Willard Couple To Celebrate

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Willard, 802 Hale Street, Mount Airy, will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary on August 1. They were honored at a family dinner held at their home on Sunday evening.

They have four children, Byron Willard of Mount Airy, Carl Willard and Sammie Ann Creed of Greensboro and Opal Sgambati of Mechanicville, N. Y. They also have 19

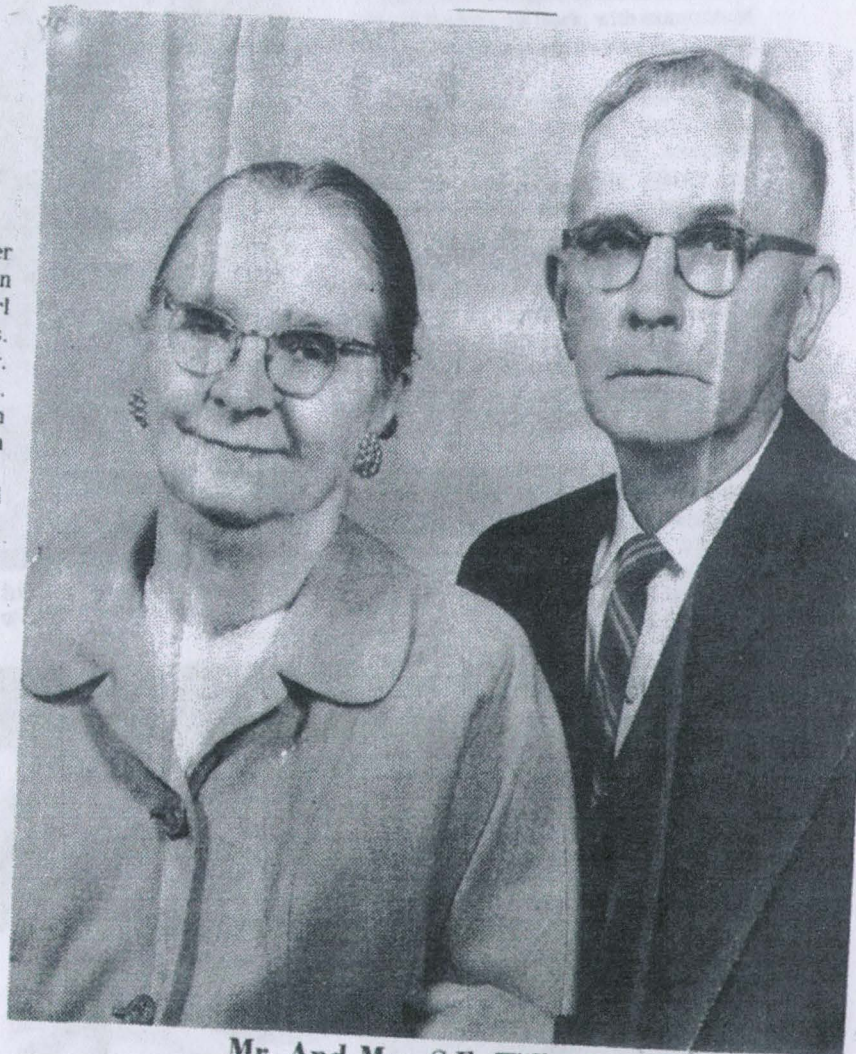
grandchildren.

Present for the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Byron Willard, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Willard, Dr. and Mrs. Stephan Sgambati, and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Creed. Many of the grandchildren and great-grandchildren also attended.

Mr. Willard, a retired carver for North Carolina Granite Corporation, is 86 years old. His wife will soon be 83.

July 25, 1980

Magaline Edwards Willard was d/o Nannie Forkner Edwards. Her husband Sam Willard was a Master Craftsman at the Quarry.



Mr. And Mrs. S.E. Willard

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Willard

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ELKIN, N. C. June 21 - 1910 -

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The undersigned widow of
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burial expenses - in accordance with Act of
General Assembly of 1908.

Sarah Willard
Widow

I approve the above claim
June 22nd 1910.

J. G. Burrows
Chairman Board of Pensioners

North Carolina, Surry County.

I, W. W. Hampton, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, do
hereby certify that M. F. Willard, Confederate Pensioner of Surry
County, is dead, and that his name was on the Pension Roll of Surry
County. Witness my hand, this 2nd day of July, 1910.

W. W. Hampton

Clerk Superior Court.

Approved July 4th
1910 for \$20.00
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