

E A S L E Y

Surry County, North Carolina

Surry County Deeds - Book Y, pages 46-47-48

M. W. Easley from Warham Easley & others

Know all men by these presents that whereas we Stephen I. Easley of Lafayette County, John Snow and Frances his wife, Galin Cave and Susannah his wife and Warham Easley all of the County of Jackson - John T. Franklin and Ann his wife and Charles Easley of the County of Vanburen all of the state of Missouri the heirs at law of William Easley Deceased are sued in fee simple of and for all that tract of land situate in Surry County, North Carolina now lying waste. Now know ye that the said Stephen I. Easley, John Snow and Frances his wife, Galin Cave and Susannah his wife, Warham Easley and John T. Franklin and Ann his wife, and Charles S. Easley have made, constituted and appointed and do by these presents make, constitute and appoint Miller W. Easley of Johnson County and state of Missouri our true and lawful Attorney for us and in our name to lease, let, sell or demand the said land and premises to such person or persons and for such time or number of years and at and under such yearly or other rents as he shall think, get and propose or otherwise to sell, grant and convey the same absolutely in fee simple for such price or sum of money to such person or persons as he shall think, get and convey and also for us and in our names to seal, execute and deliver deeds, conveyances and sales for the absolute sale and disposal thereof or of any part thereof with such clauses covenants and agreements to be therein contained as our said Attorney may think fit and convenient hereby ratifying and confirming all such case and cases deeds, conveyances, bargains or sales which shall at any time hereto be sealed and Executed by our said Attorney touching or concerning the premises. In witness whereby we have hereunto set our hands and seals this twentieth day of August in the year of our Lord 1838.

SIGNED: Warham Easley
John Snow
John T. Franklin
Galin Cave
Charles S. Easley
Ann Franklin
Frances X Snow
Susan X Cave
Stephen I. Easley

State of Missouri
County of Lafayette

Be it remembered that on this twenty-fifth day of August 1838 before me Henderson Young Clerk of the County Court within and for the County and State aforesaid personally appointed Stephen I. Easley who is personally known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument is a party thereto and acknowledged the same to be his act and deed for the purposes therein mentioned. In testimony whereof I as Clerk aforesaid have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court at office in Lexington the day and year aforesaid.

H. Young - Clerk
By William Spratt DC

Know all men by these presents that I Sarah Easley of the State of Missouri and Jackson County have given and by these presents do give to my children my life Estate in the land held by Husband William Easley lying in the State of North Carolina and County of Surry hereby relinquishing my claim to Dower therein by the last Will and Testament of my said Husband. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fifth day of September 1838.

Signed: Sarah X Easley

Signed and Sealed in presence of: F. A. Poindexter
Thomas A. Poindexter

Rt. 3, Box 51
Rusk, Texas 75785
January 23, 1970

Mr. Jerry Q. Gentry
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Elkin, N. C. 28621

Dear Jerry:

I hardly know how to thank you for taking the trouble to copy so many of your Easley records for me. You have substantiated the belief by most family historians that Warham Easley, father of my Susannah Easley Francis was indeed the son of John Easley, and not of one Daniel Easley, as my gr. gr. grandmother, Judith Francis Henry had remembered him. I am so grateful to her for leaving this wonderful bible record that a mistake or two is of no real consequence. We have been able to document most of her ancestors right on back just as she said they were. She did something so very funny to us that I have to tell it to everyone. Her husband, Ezekiel Henry, Jr. died here in 1853, and she promptly went to court and asked his administrators to allow her an extra \$400.00, which she said her father, Joseph Francis had given her in 1815, which was the proceeds from the sale of a negro woman and a horse. She said her husband had made use of this money, and that it was not community property. She got her \$400.00 - almost 40 years after her husband had "made use" of it! Imagine a memory like that! Women did not have too much to say about their own affairs in that day, but I guess she must have resented her husband using her money for all those years. It has given us all a good chuckle.

I did not have the names of John Woodson's parents - Benjamin Woodson, and Sarah Porter - nor did I have the names of the parents of Mary Miller Woodson - William and Martha Taylor Miller. So you see you gave me four new ancestors, and that many are not usually that easy to get!

As soon as I can I will evaluate and compare everything I have with what you sent, and will send you anything that I think might be of interest to you. Do you have a copy of the will of Worham Easley, father of my Susannah Easley Francis, and your Joseph Easley? If not, I will copy it and send it to you. I have to back up a bit - you are descended from Miller Woodson Easley and not Joseph, or is the father of Miller Woodson Easley's wife your ancestor? I simply have not had time to study this material enough to talk intelligently about it. I will try to do better in my next letter - but I just had to write and say THANK YOU without delay.

You have given me one PORTER ancestor, but I think I also have a later one, but maybe not. My gr. grandfather was named John Porter Henry. Another Henry who came here in the early 1850's or late 1840's was named William Porter Henry - and was thought to have been a cousin of John Porter Henry. He was not a brother, and it was the mother of John Porter Henry who descended from the Easley family. If there was another relationship I do not know of it. I guess it is all these puzzles that make genealogy so fascinating! Anyhow, thanks for giving me at least one known Porter ancestor.

Very sincerely yours,

Catherine Linn

D E A T H E R A G E

Stokes County, North Carolina

Stokes County Deeds

Mathew Deatherage to William Deatherage a Deed Stokes County April 15, 1813
between Reuben Moore, Obadiah Dodson and William
Deatherage

William Deatherage, Phillip Deatherage, Lewis Deatherage and Sally Bradley,
representatives of John Deatherage, deceased, Joseph Easley and Rachel
Deatherage to Mathew Deatherage a Deed March 25, 1807.

John Deatherage to Joseph Easley a Deed February 16, 1797

A. Deatherage to Johnson Clement A Deed 16 June 1819 Bk6, p314 also on
same page & Bk: Nancy Easley, wife of Daniel Easley to
Johnson Clement a Deed 10 March 1819

Surry County, N.C.

George Deatherage to John Deatherage a Deed Surry County, N. C. 18 Jan
1787.

Stokes County, North Carolina:

Will of George Deatherage Bk2, p73 $\frac{1}{2}$
wife: Milley Children: Nancy wife of William Edgemon, Bird Deatherage,
Abner Deatherage, Ann Deatherage Cloud wife of George Cloud, Polly Deatherage
(Ursley?) intermarried Ashley Johnson, John Deatherage, Phillip Deatherage,
James Deatherage, William Deatherage, Colemon Deatherage, George Deatherage,
Achillas Deatherage. Witnesses: J. Cloud, William Lankford, Jr., Phillip
Deatherage and James Lyon, Sr. Probated March term 1807.

Stokes County, N. C. Deed Book 4, page 240 1802
George Deatherage to Abner Deatherage & others.

This indenture made the 24th day of March made in the year of our Lord
1802 Between George Deatherage of the County of Stokes State of North
Carolina of the one part and George Cloud and Abner Deatherage of the County
and State aforesaid Jointly of the other part. Witnesseth that for and in
Consideration of the sum of £500 by the said George Cloud and Abner Deatherage
in hand paid the Receipt whereof is hereby fully acknowledged, Hath granted
Bargained and sold and by these presents do Grant, Bargain and sell..."
"...a parcel of land containing four hundred and fourteen acres of land
situate lying and being in the County and State aforesaid on both sides of
Dan River and Peters Creek Bounded as follows (to wit) Beginning at a
white oak a Conditional Corner between the said George Deatherage and John
Deatherage thence North twenty poles to a white oak, a corner of the Original
Survey. Then East with the old line forty-six poles to a white walnut thence
South twenty poles to a white oak, a Conditional Corner between the said
George Deatherage and Matthew Deatherage thence West with his line down the
said Creek fifty-two poles to a poplar, South with the said Creek sixteen poles
to a dog wood south fifty degrees West crossing said Creek ninety poles to
a White Oak south thirty degrees East forty-eight poles to a Red Oak, North
twenty degrees East eighty-five poles to a dogwood, in the old line then south

one hundred thirty-seven poles to a Red Oak, then West four hundred ten poles to a post crossing said River, then North two hundred poles to a stake a Conditional Corner, then East with that line to the beginning..." "...It being part of a Survey of six hundred forty acres made for the said George Deatherage. To have and to Hold the said four hundred fourteen acres of land and premises with the appurtences and all Rights..."

George Deatherage

Sealed and Delivered before Joseph Easley and Killes Deatherage
Stokes County June term 1803

Thomas T. Armstrong, D.C.

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Stokes County, North Carolina

Stokes County Deeds

Warham Easley from State of North Carolina Book 1, page 56 75 acres
in Stokes County (late Surry) on a branch of Snow Creek
9 August 1787

John Easley from State of North Carolina Book 2, p29 80 acres on a
branch of Snow Creek 15 December 1790

Nancy Easley to Warham Easley, Jr. a Deed 1 March 1794 Book 2, p83
"Between Nancy Easley, widow and Executrix of Warham Easley
deceased and Miller Woodson Easley (son of the said Warham
Easley) Both of the county of Patrick and Common Wealth of
Virginia of the one part and Warham Easley, Junr. of the same
County and Common Wealth of the other part Witnesseth, that
for and in consideration of the sum of £80.0.0 Current money
of Virginia to them..." "...unto the said Warham Easley two
pieces of land lying in Stokes County on Snow Creek..."
Wit: Randal Miller and Matthew Deatherage Recorded March
term 1794.

Joseph Easley from John Deatherage & wife Sarah Book 3, p2 1787

Joseph Easley from State of North Carolina a Grant Book 5, p282 1809

281 Lombard St
Galesburg, Illinois
November 7, 1967

Dear Mr Gentry -

Pardon my delayed answer to your last letter. We have a relative visiting us who is just out of the hospital.

You mentioned the Etherage name. Information we have about origin of the Deatherage name seems that De'ath and Etherage were combined to form it. Our idea of research into our ancestry has seemed to be, to go step by step from our known facts & records, backward in time. Our spelling of our name has so far continued. Tradition has it that 3 Deatherage brothers came from England in 1675. W^m settled in Va and Geo & John went to N. Carolina.

Mar 25, 1807 Stokes Co, N. Car. a John Deatherage wife ^{Sarah}.

A tract of land to heirs, William, Phillip, Lewis, Sarah Bradley, Jos Easley (by virtue of marr. heir) and ^{Rachel} ~~their~~ law by virtue of marr. heir. All these heirs sold to Mathew Deatherage also an heir.

The above William ^{d. 1750} may be the one ^{who marr Mary Ralston} whose estate papers are on file in Raleigh, N. Car. - a Phillip ^{d. 1829} b 1763 m Milly Merry, Lewis & Sally lines (untraced), Jos Easley m ^{Mary Catherine} Caty Deatherage Feb 17, 1785 - Bondsman, John Deatherage, Surry Co, N. Car.

Rachel Cummins Deatherage, widow of John who d in Rev. War. Stokes Co. Mathew Deatherage m Sarah Taylor June 21, 1796 Bondsman ^{William} Taylor

(1822)

(died about 1816)

The estate papers of W^m Deatherage at Raleigh were concerned with a petition of his son Achilles Deatherage to require a legal settlement from the widow Mary Deatherage (no longer within the limits of N. Car). She had sold \$7000 of real estate with the consent of the 8 children Stokes Co. and Achilles had sold his share June 1819, Book 6 page 31^{1/2}. Nancy Easley, wife of Daniel, sold hers Mar 1819, Book 6 p 31^{1/2} both sold to Johnson Clement. Achilles had bought the share of his sister Sarah & her husband Braxton Edgeman.

I believe the Deeds we asked you to look for were the one where Achilles bot the share of the Edgemans, and most particularly, where he sold it, hopefully containing his wife's name, so we could identify him. Other heirs were: Isaac who m. Agnes Stivers 1815 in Ky, Mary¹⁸¹⁷ m W^m Lee, John[?], Lewis[?], and William R. who m. Mary Happy 1827 in Ky.

d. 1849

Bondsman Achilles Deatherage

Jos Easley b 1764, Stokes Co, N. C. m in Surry Co, N. Car.

Mary Catherine Deatherage b 1767 Spotsylvania Co, Va.

They had 13 children - the 5th was Daniel Easley b 1792 Stokes Co N. Car d 1870 Napello Co, Iowa Estate ^{there} papers

Daniel Easley m Nov 6, 1815 Nancy Deatherage b Sept 1 1795.

Daniel Easley had 11 children, their dtr Nancy b.

1831 m Dec 12, 1850 Napello Co, Iowa - her cousin

Geo Washington Deatherage. They were my

grandparents. - My father was their son Daniel

Douglas Deatherage b. June 6, 1858

The parents of Geo Washington Deatherage were
Achilles Deatherage b Oct 12, 1796 d Rio, Knox Co, Ill. 1846.
m Susanna Deatherage (his cousin) b June 1, 1803, d 1886^{Rio}
m Stokes Co, N.C. Aug 31, 1819 - Bondsman Mathew
Deatherage. They were parents of 13 children also

As you readily see we have a Deatherage line
to search for both of Geo Washington Deatherage's
parents.

Also there are 2 other Deatherage lines to search
one for the mother of Geo Washington Deatherage's wife
and one for the father of Geo Washington Deatherage's
wife.
~~Nancy Deatherage~~
~~Daniel Easley~~

Probably our family tree is unique in that the
lines are all in the same name.

Will you see if there is a probate, or Deed with
heirs, or an estate paper for Mathew Deatherage
in Stokes or Surry Co, N. Car. or if one would be in
the Archives at Raleigh.

If you run across one in the name of Lewis
we would like that also or Achilles of course.

We will appreciate hearing from you, when you
can look for our data - We realize you are busy

Sincerely,

Verla Guy.

If my explanation
is not clear - Let me know.

Tradition says our family
was all cousins - Seem. likely ??

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January 8, 1970

Mr. Jerry Gentry
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Elkin, N. C.

Dear Sir:

I hope that I am correct in assuming that you are a gentleman and not a lady. Mrs. Willmetta Bauguess of Seattle, Washington sent me your name, and the information that you had quite a bit of Easley information.

I am enclosing a typed copy of a Henry family bible record that proves my relationship to the Easley family. However this record is at variance with Mrs. Virginia Easley DeMarce's record as to the father of the Warham Easley that I am descended from. I have corresponded with Mrs. DeMarce for some time, and she is convinced that her record is right, and that my gr. gr. grandmother may have been mistaken or simply did not remember correctly when she was giving this information to her son, Clinton Henry, for his bible record. I am also fairly well convinced that the name of this one ancestor was given incorrectly, but want to leave no stone unturned in proving this to be true.

Do you have a copy of Mrs. DeMarce's A TENTATIVE OUTLINE OF U.S. EASLEY LINES PRIMARILY TO THE YEAR 1800? If you do have you will see that she shows Robert Easley as the Immigrant, whose sons were (1) John Easley (2) Warham Easley (3) William Easley (4) Robert Easley, and daughters (1) Margaret Easley and (2) Elizabeth Easley. She then shows sons of this John Easley as (1) William Easley (2) Warham Easley (3) Robert Easley (4) Stepehn Easley (5) Daniel Easley (6) John Easley.

John Easley, son of Robert Easley the Immigrant, was married to Mary Benskin.

Warham Easley, son of John Easley and Mary Benskin married ca 1752 Ann "Nannie" Woodson.

Susannah Easley, dau. of Warham Easley and Ann "Nannie" Woodson m. before 1790,
Joseph Francis.

Judith Francis, b. 1795 in Virginia (Mrs. DeMarce says Tenn.) m. 1810 Rhea Co., Tenn.
Ezekiel Henry.

Judith Francis and Ezekiel Henry were my gr. gr. grandparents, and it was she who dictated the bible record I am enclosing. Both Judith and Ezekiel died here in Cherokee Co., Texas, he in 1853 and she in 1857, and their records are very complete, many of them right here in our Courthouse. Her bible record does not "pair off" her ancestors, and it took us some time to do this, and we still do not know where to place Jane Stewart, although I "think" she may have been the mother of Obedience Carrington. As this does not relate to the Easley line I will not dwell on it.

You will notice slight differences in some of the other given names in the bible record. For instance, Judith refers to her mother as Susan Easley, while the will of Warham Easley calls her "Susanah Francis". Mrs. DeMarce says that Warham married Ann "Nannie" Woodson, daughter of John and Mary (Miller) Woodson. Judith refers to this grandmother as Susan Miller. She was possibly Mary Susan Miller. I have not so far been able to find more on her than the above.

Shown below is the bible record as we have it:

Judith Francis Born Jan 23, 1795

Father's name, Joseph Francis (proven)
 Grand Father, James Francis (proven)
 Great Grand Father, Hugh Francis (not proven)
 Great Great Grand Father, Robin Francis (not proven)
 Grand Mother on Father's side, Obedience Carrington (wife of James Francis, proven)
 Great Grand Mother, Jane Stewart (not proven)
 Grand Mother's name, Susan Easley (proven) (wife of Joseph Francis)
 Grand Father on Mother's side, Warham Easley (proven)
 Great Grand Father, Daniel Easley (Not Daniel Easley, but John Easley according to Mrs. DeMarce and other records)
 Grand Mother on Mother's Side, Nancy Woodson (Proven) (Wife of Warham Easley)
 Great Grand Mother, Susan Miller (Mary Miller according to Mrs. DeMarce)
 (Mother of Nancy Woodson)
 (Judith Francis married Ezekiel Henry, Rhea Co., Tenn., Jan. 18, 1810)

Birthdates of the children of Ezekiel Henry and Judith Francis Henry.

Caroline M. Henry	Born March 1, 1811	Rhea Co., Tenn.
Samuel Henry	" June 12, 1812	" " "
Joseph F. Henry	" Oct. 22, 1814	" " "
Woodson D. Henry	" Mar. 12, 1816	" " "
Miller W. Henry	" Mar. 16, 1819	Shelby Co., Ala.
John P. Henry	" July 3, 1821	" " " (My gr. grandfather)
Hugh L. W. Henry	" Oct. 22, 1823	" " "
Patrick Henry	" Oct. 31, 1825	" " "
Paralee B. Henry	" May 24, 1828	" " "
Clinton S. Henry	" Nov. 14, 1834	Chambers Co., Ala.

Deaths: Ezekiel Henry Died Aug. 19, 1853
 Judith Henry Died Nov. 1857

There are other family records of the Clinton Henry family, but as they would be of no particular interest in this case I am omitting them. All remarks in parenthesis are mine, and were not a part of the bible record.

Do you happen to know anything about the Coleman-Easley marriages? I am particularly interested in the Coleman family because my grandfather was named Daniel Coleman Meredith. We think his mother may have been a daughter of one Daniel Coleman, but have no proof at all. Daniel Coleman Meredith was born in South Carolina in 1805. We think his father was Samuel Meredith, who was shown in Surry Co., N.C. in 1790. Once again, no proof. Do you know of anyone working on the Meredith line?

I have a great deal on the Easley line - if I can help you just let me know. Also I would appreciate any help you can give to me.

Catherine Meredith Linney
 Mrs. Charles H. Linney

Easley family and connecting lines in Fulton Co., Illinois
Abstracted from Seattle Genealogical Society Bulletins

Old Cemetery, at Ipava, Pleasant Twp. (not recorded with sexton)
 John Easley d Jan. 28, 1873 age 74 yrs. 40 mos. 19 days
 Nancy Kinsey, his wife, d Feb. 22, 1878 age 75 yrs 30 mos. 16 days
 March 1964 pg. 320

Old Cemetery, cont.

Crso P., son of E. K. and D. M. Easley d Oct. 28, 1862 age 1 yr.
 June 1964, pg. 336 2 mo., 28 days

Easley Cemetery, Sec. 27, Vermont Twp.

Sarah Easley, wife of Jonathan Bogue d Aug. 25, 1866 age 73 yr 6 mos.

Mary Ann Easley, dau. of Daniel and Edith Anderson Easley and wife
 of Job Bogue, d Jan. 11, 1870 age 76 yrs. 15 days

Stephen Easley died April 22, 1847, age 38 yrs. 9 mos 14 days
 December 1964 pgs. 364-65

Hawthorn Cemetery, Sec. 26, Farmers Twp.

Thomas Easley, b April 7, 1814, died Dec. 4, 1849
 Lydia Ann Luck, wife of Thomas Easley b 6-23-1818; d 12-29-1849
 Ruth Easley, wife of Henry David, born Aug. 20, 1796; d April 3, 1876
 (Henry F. David, b Sept. 25, 1791; died Nov. 11, 1858)
 Dec. 1966, pgs. 513 & 515

Marriage

Stephen Easley & Subina Cadwallder April 14, 1839
 Rees Cadwallder & Rhoda K. Easley Dec. 28, 1841
 John W. Hopkins & Rachel Howard Oct. 28, 1842
 Samuel Porter & Elizabeth Ovitt June 30, 1844
 James D. Graham & Louisa M Easley Oct. 11, 1865
 John R. Easley & Esther A. Wright Sept. 19, 1867
 John Easley & Hannah A. Willis March 9, 1865
 Dec. 1967 pgs. 599-600. (Scott, Howard, Porter, Cadwallder names
 appear frequently on this list)

Marriages cont.

John Fitz Henry & Phebe Easley Nov. 7, 1870
 James M. Brown & Rachel Easley March 22, 1849
 Vincent M. Crowell & Jane Easley Nov. 7, 1850
 Thomas C. Robinson & Sarah Ann Easley Nov. 7, 1850 (sister)
 Joseph D. Craig & Edith Easley Jan. 2, 1851
 Daniel Easley & Mary Jane Thompson March 15, 1855
 March 1968 pg. 621

Any of the pages can be xeroxed to show more complete family
 connections.

Abstracted from Bogue and Allied Families
by Virgil T. Bogue B929.2 B634B

The same names appear in this book that appear in the Fulton County, Illinois records leading credence to the thought that the families migrated in a group

Mary Ann (Kasley) Bogue. Her youngest brother was Thomas Easley.
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Jonathan Bogue, b 1787, N. C. married 1-2-1812, Big Stillwater Monthly Meeting (Tuscarawas Co., Ohio) Sarah Easley.
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Job Bogue, son of Robert, grandson of William, married Mary Ann Easley 24 April 1813, Harrison Co., Ohio.
pg. 211

Mary Ann Easley, born Oct. 17, 1794 to Daniel Easley of Virginia, married April 24, 1813, Job Bogue in Harrison Co., Ohio. They had eleven children. She died Vermont, Illinois (Fulton Co.) November 1, 1870. Note: This death date does not agree with Fulton Co. records as printed in Seattle Genealogical Society Bulletin, but is more apt to be correct as 76 years, 15 days is correct for the November death if birth date is correct. It is the old problem that occurs when hyphenated dates are used rather than writing out the month.
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Jonathan Bogue, born 1787, died April 8th, 1820, Belmont Co., Ohio. He was the son of _____ & Sarah (Stidham) Bogue. They were married (Jonathan & Sarah Easley) January 2, 1812 in Belmont Co., Ohio. Sarah was the daughter of Daniel and Edith Easley.
pg. 225

Again, any of the above can be xeroxed if needed.
My own note on father of Jonathan was not decipherable when cold, but will check it again.
I had just typed the abstract of the Easley records from the bulletins, and a day or so later, while chatting at the library, leafed through the Bogue genealogy that someone had left on the table, and there were the matching people. I could have looked and looked for them and never found them.