

SURRY COUNTY GENEALOGICAL ASSOCIATION
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May 30, 1997

Richard F. Denney
3314 Soldiers Home Road
West Lafayette, IN 47906

Thank you for your letter dated April 14, 1997 regarding Samuel Denny and your request for a list of publications available for purchase. We have enclosed a list of books available and where to order them.

We have also enclosed some names and addresses of researchers of the Denny family. We are sorry that we do not know if they are researching Samuel Denny. A postcard to them asking to swap information on Samuel Denny of the middle 1700s might get some results. We also suggest you send a query for our journal stating that you would like to swap data with researchers of Samuel.

We would like to have information for our file on your ancestor Samuel. A pedigree chart and family group sheets would be very helpful. There appears to have been several Samuel Dennys. We need help on this family also.

You are probably familiar with the book we have in our library "Samuel Denney's Descendents" presented by Hazel Rea. We also have "Azariah Martin Denny, Grandson of Samuel Denny" by S. Denny.

The Joel Denny family history in "The Heritage of Surry County," Vol. I, mentions several Samuel Dennys - Samuel Denny 1635-1710 and Samuel Denny born in 1715 after his great-grandfather (the above Samuel Denny). Zeb Denny, Route 1, Box 153, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870 submitted this history. This address is dated 1983 when Volume I was published. We do not know if this address is still current.

There is a family history of Samuel and Clarissa Denny Family in "The Heritage of Surry County," Vol. II. This Samuel was born ca. 1815. Paul Griffith, 2301 Florida Avenue, Kannapolis, NC 28083 submitted this history.

If you feel we can help you further please write again.

W.H.
RESEARCH COMMITTEE

Enclosures

April 14, 1997

TO: SCGA

Enclosed is a legal size SASE, would you please send me a copy of your latest flier reflecting the publications/booklets available to purchase pertaining to Surry County genealogy data.

Also, would it be possible for you to provide me with any data on people in that area that are active or interested in collecting data on the Samuel Denny that was in your area in the middle 1700s. I would love to swap data with them and could help them get up to date on the Denneys that left Surry County for Ohio from which I descend. In turn, I would like to obtain information on the past few generations of Samuel's kinfolk in the Surry County area.

Thank You

Richard Denney
Richard F. Denney

I have Denny line - don't have time to
pursue it.

Patsy Broughton + Jerry Berry
has Denny data

Be good to put in queries "will swap
data"

Former N.C. Chief Justice, Emery Denny, Is Dead at 80

By James Smith
Staff Reporter

RALEIGH — Emery Byrd Denny of Raleigh, retired chief justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court, died Tuesday at Rex Hospital. He was 80.

The funeral for Denny will be at 3 p.m. today at Hayes-Barton Baptist Church. Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery.

The former tobacco "plow boy," who read law books in his spare time, was appointed chief justice in 1962 by Gov. Terry Sanford and retired in 1966 at 73.

In 1942, he was named to the high court by Gov. J. Melvilleroughton, after he managedroughton's successful campaign for the Democratic nomination in 1940.

Chief Justice William Bobbitt said yesterday that Denny's death "marks the close of a distinguished career, and that is kindly manner and sincere friendship endeared him to individuals in all walks of life."

"Each member of this court feels a deep sense of personal loss," Bobbitt said.

A native of Surry County, Denny was one of 14 children of the Rev. Gabriel and Sarah Denny.

Denny often recalled plowing his father's fields during daylight hours and studying the law books he had bought at night.

"I always wanted to study law," he once remarked. "I don't know when the actual decision to study law came, but it must have been mighty young."

Denny's father was crippled in the Civil War and his older brothers had left home making him "plow boy" for the family from age 12 on.

"And actually there wasn't much time to study. Growing tobacco, corn and wheat on that Surry County farm near Pilot Mountain was a back-breaking task," he once said.

He attended Giliam Academy in Alamance County and then turned home to help with the farm work for a couple of years before going to the University of North Carolina where he studied law.

No actual law degree was given at the University of North Carolina when he went there to become certified to practice law.

In 1919, he was admitted to the bar and entered practice in Gastonia with the firm of Denny and Mangum. He later became a member of the firm of Mangum and Denny and continued in this until Mangum's death in 1930.

From 1929 to 1937, Denny was



EMERY DENNY

mayor of Gastonia. From 1924 to 1926, he was secretary of the Democratic Executive Committee of Gaston County, and from 1926 to 1928 he was

chairman of the committee.

In 1940, he was elected chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee and was chairman until he resigned to become a State Supreme Court justice.

Denny received honorary degrees from the University of North Carolina and Wake Forest University. He was a former member of the board of trustees at Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem.

His most recent public service came in 1970 when Gov. Robert Scott named him chairman of a committee to promote passage of a number of amendments to the state Constitution.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Bessie Brandt Brown Denny; three daughters, Mrs. Lenoir G. Shook of Tarboro, Mrs. Bailey P. Williamson of Raleigh and Mrs. Wallace Ashley of Smithfield; a son, Emery B. Denny Jr. of Chapel Hill; and two sisters, Mrs. Roxie Spease and Miss Mary E. Denny of East Bend.

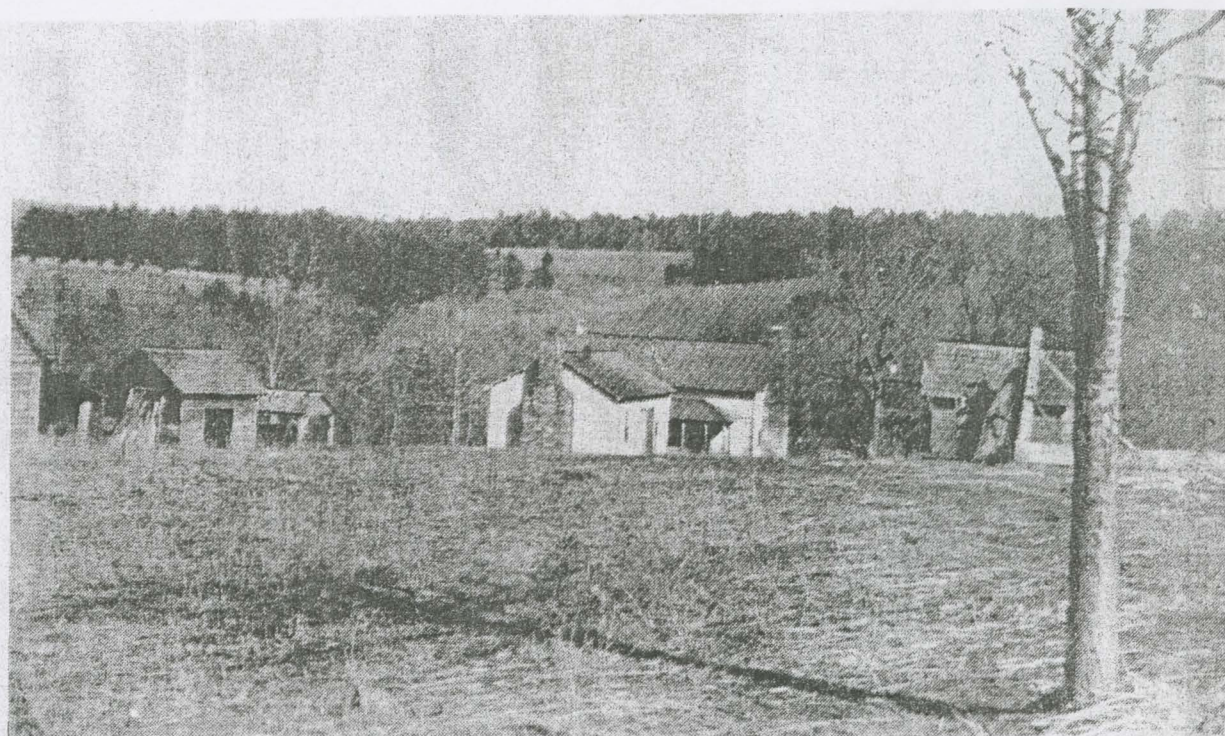
The body is at Brown-Wynne Funeral Home here.

WINSTON-SALEM JOURNAL



HEADS TEACHERS—Miss Ila Edwards of Franklin Elementary School has been elected president of the Surry County Classroom Teachers Association.

1965



FAMILY FARM - This was a 1919 scene of the Denny farm which is now a part of the Pilot Mountain State Park. Family members hope it will

be restored in the name of former Chief Justice of the State Supreme Court Emery B. Denny.

January 3rd, 1863

General hospital No. 10 Richmond, Va

Dear father, I one time more seat myself to write you a few lines to let you know that I am getting on fine hoping these few lines may find you all well. I come to this place last night. This hospital is on Broad Street in 100 yards of James River - $\frac{1}{4}$ of a mile down below the Petersburg depot. I think they live very well here though I don't know. This is a North Carolina hospital. The one I came from is to be a Virginia hospital. All the men left there night that could travel but Virginians. They give no furloughs at this hospital to no man. As for my part I expect to go to my regiment in less than 10 days if they will let me but I hate to go bare footed and bare backed - I have got as much clothing as I want besides over coat and shoes.

So I must have them if I can get them and no chance to get them here. I want you to send them as quick as you can or bring them for I don't think it will be much funny to lie out now with a tent or coat. If you come here you will find me in ward No. 26 in the 3rd story of the old American hotel though I may be sent to some other hospital or Camp Winder before you get here. I don't want to go to my regiment till I get them things or I would start this morning though my jaw is not quite well it is not dangerous. I have got more flesh on my bones than I ever had before though I am not as stout as I was when I left home. You must excuse bad writing and spelling for this is a cold morning and no fire.

Direct your letter to general hospital No. 10 Richmond Va to A. Denny 21 Regiment Company C- N. C. Troops - Then if I am gone from here it will go after me. So I must close my letter by saying I still remain your son until death.

A. Denny

To Joel Denny

The doctor just now came around. I am going to my Regiment I think. I think he returned me to duty and if he did I will leave here this morning.

A. Denny

I will write soon and often.

file

Gordensville Va

September the 4th 1862

Dear father, I now seat myself with pleasure to letting you know that I am well hoping that these few lines may find you all well.

I am sorry to say that I have wrote this makes seven times and never heard the first word from Surry yet. I tent with Tyre Clasby, B. F.

William Ashburn, W. C. Banner, W. T. Lewis, L. Patterson, J. W. & Jonathan Creed, A. Denny, David Johnstone, Daniel McGee all agreeable boys.

Clasby is sick and is some better. We have bread enough and bacon plenty though it is hardly fit to eat. There is no doubt but what Jackson has

taken Manasses and Centerville back and I feel like taking my gun and whipping them and coming home to where I can get apples to eat - can

get at \$3.00 a bushel or 25 cents a dozen - small peaches at the same - a pie as large as your hand for 25 cents. Other things - have a good

many friends here. I am sorry to say that Captain Shore is dead. I am every hour expecting to start to Centerville. I want to see all but

it is not worth my while to think of that so I will close giving you all my best respects until death

A. Denny

Dear brother and sister, I now seat myself to let you know that I am well hoping that these few lines may find you well. I would be glad to see

you no I want Jonathan to stay at home as long as he can and come to me when (he) does come. I think that he would stand it well. I have

gained 10 lbs. since I left home

to J. Flinchum

A. Denny

Direct your letter to Gordensville Va 21 N. C. regiment Company C in ker (care) of Lieutenant Whitlock

Type for
journal
Pansy Broughton

Nov 14, 186(2)

General hospital No. 1 Richmond, Va

Dear father, I now seat myself to let you know that I am about like I have been ever since I have been here. I have been sick this week but I am in common health again. I want you to write to me soon and often. I have got use to this life and it seems common. You had better not come here for there is danger here the smallpox is in every hospital here but this and they carried one from here yesterday said he had it. I hope it is not so. We have all been vaxinated. The sister came in just now she says that it is not smallpox ales him. There is Roman Catholic ladies here to wait on them that is not able to wait on them selves. They are as kind as any mother can be. I want you to write and let me know how much corn you made and if you can get salt. We hear that it is impossible to get any. We don't get much here put in our beef. When you write which of the neighbors has to go this call or if any body has to come you must all stay at home there is no pleasure here. I have got money plenty and clothing plenty I have the same shoes I will draw some before I go to the army. I want some potatoes to eat. I can buy as much milk as I want at 30 cents a quart but nothing else can be brought in here to sell. There is a heap of sick in this. I reckon there is 15,000 there is 5,000 at Camp Winder hospital. I have no news to write more than I still get no letters from you. If I was there - tell you some news I have seen so many things that - that it is useless to say anything about them so I will bring my short letter to a close giving you all my best respects

A. Denny to Joel & N. B. Denny

WS, December 16, 1920.

DR. A. F. JONES KILLED BY TRAIN AT CAMERON

His Car Demolished At Depot
Crossing—He Was A Native
Of Surry County

Sanford, Dec. 10.—Dr. A. F. Jones, of Cameron, is dead as a result of being hit by a northbound Seaboard Air Line passenger train, No. 4, this morning about 11 o'clock at the depot crossing at Cameron. This train does not stop at Cameron.

Dr. Jones' car was utterly demolished and he was badly broken up. He was brought to this place on the same train to be carried to the Central Carolina hospital, but when the train reached this place it was found that his body was lifeless. The remains will be carried to Siloam early Saturday morning, and the funeral services will be held Sunday.

Dr. Jones, who was a native of Surry county, had only been practicing medicine in Cameron for about six months, but had made many warm friends, who are deeply grieved over his untimely death. He served 21 months in the army, being overseas for 10 months. He was 29 years old and received his technical training at the Carolina Medical college at Charlotte and at Richmond, where that institution was moved.

A year ago he was married to Miss Opal Whitaker, of Siloam, who survives him. His father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jones, of Ararat, two brothers, Squire and Monroe Jones, of Ararat, and three sisters, Mrs. William Creed, Mrs. Key of Ararat, and Mrs. Dunbar, of Mount Airy, also survive him.

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February 17, 1994

Mr. Charles M. Kennedy
1605 Woodside View Lane
Ballwin, MO 63021

Thank you for your letter of October 30, 1993. We are sorry it has taken us so long to answer.

We do have Denny families in Surry County and several researchers working on the Denny lines. We have enclosed several pages of information on the Denny family that was in our vertical file, information from our surname files, information on joining our association, information on how to submit a query for our journal and submitting surname cards for our file.

Several books about Denny families are in the Surry Community College Library. They are "Azariah Martin Denny, GGGGrandson of Samuel Denny" by S. Denny; "Denny Family Record, Lineage and Descendants of Oliver Joel Denny" and "Bird Denny" by Jeb Denny. A brief review of these books did not mention David Noblitt or Sarah Denny.

We invite you to send a specific query for our journal and submit surname cards to be placed in our file. If we can be of further assistance, please advise.

Research Committee

Enclosures

30 Oct 1993

Surry County Genealogical Association
P.O. Box 997
Dobson, NC 27017

Dear Association,

I am doing some research on a branch of my family from your area. We are descended from the marriage of David Noblitt (1774-1855) and Sarah Denny (b.1785), who at various times resided in Surry and Grayson County, VA. I know that David was the son of Thomas, from PA. I am told that Sarah was the daughter of Lazarus Denny. They all were Quakers, and, I believe, of Irish extraction.

Do you have any information on the Noblitt or Denny families in your files? I realize that many organizations like yourselves are understaffed, and I'm in no hurry, but any information you would be able to offer would be much appreciated.

Thank you,



Charles M. Kennedy
1605 Woodside View Lane
Ballwin, MO 63021

Denny file

Attention: Librarians

Longton, Kansas

April 5, 1985

The JOURNAL OF SURRY COUNTY GENEALOGICAL ASSOCIATION
P.O. Box 997
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Dear Sir:

Several weeks ago I wrote you concerning the GENEALOGY of the NORTH CAROLINA BRANCH OF THE DENNY-DENNY FAMILY by Guy C. Denny. In the book review section of the Spring issue, 1983, you noted this book was not for sale, but you would copy pages for anyone who wished it at 20c per page.

I am a descendant of Lazarus Denny b. CA 1774 and wife Susanna whose daughter, Sarah Denny, married David Noblett. Their daughter daughter, Rebecca Noblett, married my G grandfather, Henry Mason in Vermillion Co., Ind. in 1844--they later moved to Knox Co. Missouri. Lazarus and Susanna lived in Surry Co., but were members of Mt Pleasant MM in Grayson Co. VA, as they were Quakers--they were later members of Westfield MM (formerly Tom's Quaker Meeting near Pilot Creek). Lazarus' father may have been Azariah, as Lazarus and Susanna's oldest son ^{was} Azariah. ^{in 1805 - Grayson Co VA.}

I would like very much to know who the parents of Lazarus and Susanna were and also who the first DENNY emigrant was and where he was from. The DENNY-DENNY Family is surely connected with my DENNYS as they were in the same part of Surry Co. NC.

I will appreciate hearing from you soon. Thank you.

I will be happy to pay the charge for copying the pages from the DENNY-DENNY FAMILY book. I am enclosing SASE.

Sincerely,

Justin Mason Jackson

Answered by Guy

Denny File

Longton, Kansas
April 15, 1985

Mrs. Agnes Wells
521 N. Franklin Rd.
Mt. Airy, C.C. 27030

Dear Mrs. Wells,
Thank you so much for your answer to my letter concerning the Denny Family--I have written to Mr. S. Denny as you suggested. Yes, I would like to have the entire book and also the one on "Genealogy of the Family of Azariah Denny, son of Edmond Denny, gg grandson of Samuel Denny". I am very much interested in the Denny and Noblett families--I found them on the Custom map of the 1700's from Jamestown. David and Sarah Denny Noblett went to White Co. Tennessee--Rebecca Noblett, their daughter was born there and the family later went to Vermillion Co. Indiana where Rebecca married my g grandfather, Henry Mason and they went to Knox Co. Missouri. My grandfather, David H. Mason and three of his brothers came to eastern Kansas in the 1870's.

You asked about a copy of the Mosley Mosleys. I have not seen this book, but the next time I go to Neodesha, KS to read microfilm I will check there--Neodesha has a very good genealogical library for a small town with a list of everything available from Kansas. My town, Longton is a very small town, so we have a small library, but I order what I can through the Neodesha Library through Inter loan. They do have some family histories at Neodesha, so I will check. As far as I know, I don't have any Mosleys, Hills or Phillips, in my family.

I have been writing to Mrs. Bess Brinkley, R 1, Box 752, Mt Airy N.C.--she is a distant cousin, as we share a Howell line in which I am very much interested. My G grandfather, Thomas Howell and his wife Sarah Hicks Howell and their five children came to Kansas in the early 1870's. Thomas Howell was a Baptist minister and the family lived near Jonesville on the Yadkin River. His daughter, Mary (Molly) Howell married John King Jones also from Jonesville N.C. John King's mother was Elizabeth King from Guilford Co. and his father was William Jones from Jonesville--he always said Jonesville was named for his grandfather. John King Jones was also a Baptist preacher and was ordained in the Swan Creek Church near Jonesville as was Thomas Howell. Thomas Howells parents were Robert and Rebecca Howell--so I am interested in that line too. The Dennys were on my father's line--Masons.

I am going to be away from home for a week or so visiting my brother near Hays in western Kansas, but when I get back I will be going to Neodesha to read microfilm and I will check on the Mosleys.

Thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

Christine Jackson

Please excuse the typing errors - I am getting ready to leave -

Denny File

Longton, Kansas
March 7, 1985

JOURNAL OF SURRY COUNTY GENEALOGICAL ASSOCIATION
Box 997
Dobson, N. C. 27017

In looking over a 1983 Genealogical Journal, I noticed you offered to copy pages of "The North Carolina Branch of the Denny-Denny Family" for 20 cents a page, as the book is no longer in print. My g g grandmother was Sarah Denny, dau of Lazarus and Susanna Denny. Lazarus was the son of Azariah Denny, I believe, b. 1744, VA. Lazarus and his family lived in Surry Co., NC, but were members of Mt, Pleasant MM, Grayson Co., VA and later of Westfield MM--according to NC Quaker records. Sarah Denny married David Noblitt in Grayson Co., VA in 1805. Their dau, Rebecca, born in White Co., Tenn. Oct. 12, 1820, married Henry Mason in Vermillion Co., Ind., Oct 17, 1844 and they later came to Knox Co., MO. where they died and are buried.

I would like to have the pages copied that tell anything about Azariah, Lazarus, Sarah and Rebecca and their families--also I would like the pages that tell when the Denny family came to America and where they came from--connecting with Azariah. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Christine Mason Jackson

I am enclosing \$10.00 membership fee for the Surry Genealogical quarterly Journals. Please let me know how much I owe for the copying of the pages of the "Denny-Denny Family" history and I will send it to you.

also en SASE.

Mrs. Christine M. Jackson
Box 168
Longton, Kansas 67352

Am researching
James Denny

who had a son,
Haley Denny.

If you have info.
please contact:

Margaret C. Cariker
~~Rt. 3 - Box 160~~ 2715 Cariker
springs Rd.
MOORESVILLE, N.C. 28115

June 1, 1992

April 19, 2001

Denny
Smith
Webster

Route 5, Box 366
King, A.C. 27021
Feb. 14, 1984

I know it may concern:

I am doing research on the Denny's + Smith's of Stokes + Surry Counties. Do you know of anyone in Surry Co. doing research on these families? I need names + addresses I am searching for the parents + children of Harvey Denny that married Rebecca Fulk.

I also need any information on a David Smith that married Mary Frances Webster on March 16, 1862 in Stokes Co. He was born July 29, 1839 + died Aug. 1, 1921. They lived in the Mt. Airy area + both are buried in the Holly Springs Cemetery.

I have 3 names here that did histories for the Surry Co. Heritage Book + I need their addresses so I can get in touch with them.

Danna L. Denny

Parsy Broughton

Alma Denny Taylor

I really appreciate your help on
anything you can give me.

Thanks,

Billy H. Webster

Elizabeth Stone was Born in the
year of our Lord wednesday
October the 15th 1789

Mariah Denny and
Elizabeth his wife 1808 married
in the year of our Lord.
October the 25th 1810

Edmond Denny son of
Mariah was Born in the
year of our Lord Saturday
October the 5th 1811

Joel Denny son of Do was
Born in the year of our
Lord on Sunday night
September the 19th 1813



TAYLOR

Mrs. Alma Denny Taylor, 96, of Heritage Woods, formerly of 2720 Windsor Road, passed away Wednesday morning, November 20, 1996, at her home. She was born at Pilot Mountain, N.C. on March 28, 1900, the daughter of Minerva Ellen Pell and Oliver Joel Denny. She had been a resident of Winston-Salem since 1919 and married Roby Ellis Taylor on October 21, 1921. Mr. Taylor passed away June 22, 1993. Mrs. Taylor was active in the P.T.A. in local schools in the 1930's, particularly in working with disadvantaged children. She was a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church where she served on the Altar Guild and was a member of St. Mary's Circle. She was a member of the Joseph Winston Chapter of the D.A.R., the U.D.C., and the Audubon Garden Club where she served as Treasurer and President. She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Peggy Taylor Winstead of Rocky Mount, N.C., Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor Williams of Winston-Salem and Mrs. Janet Taylor Thompson of Sarasota, Florida. She is also survived by one son, John A. Taylor of Winston-Salem and was preceded in death by another son, Robert E. Taylor of Winston-Salem, whose wife, Margare Long Taylor, survives. In addition, she is survived by fourteen grandchildren and thirty-three great grandchildren. The grandchildren are Mrs. Ellen Winstead Amerson of Raleigh, N.C., Mrs. Janet Thompson Barnard of Wilmington, Delaware, Mrs. Kathryn Taylor Bee of Apex, N.C., Mrs. Nancy Williams Downing of Evanston, Illinois, Mrs. Vivian Winstead Freer of Tryon, N.C., Mr. James E. Thompson, Jr. of Memphis, Tennessee, Mr. Joseph E. Thompson of Friscoe, N.C. and Mr. Benjamin E. Winstead, III of Rocky Mount, N.C. Living in Winston-Salem are Mrs. Jennifer Thompson Cannino, Mrs. Susan Williams Mann, Mrs. Suzanne Taylor McCuiston, Mr. John Anderson Taylor, Jr., Mr. Arthur T. William, III, and Mr. Stephen T. Williams. A graveside service will be conducted at Forsyth Memorial Park at 11 a.m. Friday by Rev. Rod Reinecke and Rev. John Jenkins. Memorials may be made to The Book of Memory at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 520 Summit St., Winston-Salem, NC 27101, The Taylor Student Nurse Fund at the Winston-Salem Foundation, 310 W. 4th St., Suite 229, Winston-Salem, NC 27101, or the Alma Denny Taylor Children's Research Fund at Brenner Children's Hospital, Medical Center Blvd., Winston-Salem, NC 27157. Memorials will also be welcomed to the charity of the donor's choice.

27 April 1982

Ms Agnes Wells
521 N. Franklin Rd
Mount Airy, N.C. 27030

Dear Ms Wells

I am writing in response to your query in the Jan. 1982 issue of the Journal of Surry Co. Genealogical Assoc. about parents of Mary F. Denny.

Recently I obtained a copy of "Genealogy of the North Carolina Branch of the Denny-Denney Family" compiled by Guy C. Denny (now deceased) of Indianapolis and reprinted by Sylvester Denny of Greensboro, N.C. (1976)

According to this document your Mary F. Denny, who married Augustine "Gus" S. Key, was the daughter of Edmond Denny and Frances Farris Denny. "They are buried on a hill-top west of the Pilot Mountain. Plain stones mark their graves, about 1 - 1½ miles south of Pilot Mountain, N.C."

The parents of Edmond Denny were Azariah Denny, b. 12 1788, d. 11 Oct 1878. m. 23 Oct 1810 Elizabeth Stone, b. 14 1789, d. 11 Oct 1864. They both lived and died in Surry Co.

The parents of Azariah Denny (1788-1878) were William Denny and Rebecca Hooper, m. in Albermarle Co., Va. "Moved Surry Co., N.C. and settled on the Arrat River near Cedar Hill about 1773. William Denny settled on an acre entry before the land offices were opened in the state and the farm has been the Denny Family ever since. He raised seven children."

The father of said William Denny was Samuel Denny. Much is known about him but it is believed that he immigrated from Ireland about 1743. He settled in Amherst, Va. One states that he married an Irish lady by the name of Southard. Another account states that Samuel Denny married Sarah Sudo. They raised 17 children: 9 sons, 8 daughters. William was oldest child. Samuel sold out his belongings in Amherst, Va. and migrated to Surry Co., ~~N.C.~~ and settled on the Hill on the Arrat River near the Pilot Creek. Some of his sons with him but some remained around Amherst, Va.,

DAVID JONES DENNY
&
REBECCA A HANCOCK

Rev. Gilmer Denny
Rt 1 -
Pilot Mtn. N.C. 27041

Records from the family Bible of
the David Jones Denny family.

For the History Room - Surry Community College

In possession
Jones Family Dates
Curtis Denny
Rt 1 -
Pilot Mtn. N.C. 27041

FAMILY RECORD.

MARRIAGES.

David J. Denny and
Rebecca A. Hancock was
Married November 29th 1883

David J. Denny and
Delilah L. Carter was
married August the
19th 1897 .

FAMILY RECORD.

BIRTHS.

David J. Denny was
Born Nov 30th 1861

Rebecca A. Denny was
Born Dec 30th 1865

Mary E. Denny Daughter
of the above names was,
Born September 14th 1885

John W. Denny was Born
October 27th 1887

Alice J. Denny was born
March 15th 1891

Bertha E. Denny was born
July 17th 1893

FAMILY RECORD.

DEATHS.

Alice J Denny Died
September the 9th 1884

wife of David J. Denny
Rebecca A Denny
the mother of the above child
Died Feb. the 10th 1896

Chester Elmer Denny
Died January 1st 1906
David Denny Died ~~April 5~~ 1948
March 6

Delila Denny Died Sept. 20 1958

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April 21, 1999

Connie M. Lucas
Rt. 2, Box 223
Trace Creek Road
Hamlin, WVA 25523

Thank you for your letter postmarked April 6, 1999 regarding the Denny family. We have a lot of interest in the Denny family and much research has been done but we did not find anyone doing research on your Eli Denny Sr. or Jr. We are sending you a list of Denny researchers.

We have published two heritage books in Surry County. "The Heritage of Surry County," Volume I, has Surry County history in it. There are few of these remaining. These books contain over 700 family histories of families in Surry Co. Volume I also has six Denny family histories. Volume II only has one. A list of all books for sale are enclosed. We are in the process of having an old Surry County history book reprinted. It will probably be several months before they arrive.

We have four books in our genealogy room on the Denny family and after scanning these briefly we did not see a mention of Eli Denny. The books are: "Denny Family Record of Oliver Joel Denney" by Alma Taylor; "Bird Denny" by Zeb Denny; "Genealogy of the Family of Azariah Martin Denny, son of Edmond Denny, GG Grandson of Samuel Denny" by Sylvester Denny, 836 W. Bessemer Ave., Greensboro, NC 27408; "Samuel Denney's Descendants" by Hazel Rea. We are sending you a copy of a map out of one of these books showing the location of Denny's in the Pilot Mountain area.

There are at least six Denny Family Cemeteries in the Pilot Mountain area of Surry Co.

We believe you would benefit from being a member of SCGA since there are so many Denny families in Surry Co. Our individual yearly membership fee is \$15. Our quarterly journals are well worth the membership fee. The journals are from 35-40 pages in length. Last year we had over 300 members. A brochure is enclosed. We would be very happy to add you to our membership list. We suggest you also send a query for our journal and submit surname cards for our file. Information is enclosed.

Our research room is located in the Library at Surry Community College in Dobson, NC on the second floor. We have many family files, books, microfilm, maps, etc.

A Eli Denny married Margaret H. Doak 23 Jan 1850 in Surry Co.
Is this your Eli Denny?

If we can help you with your research, be sure to write us.
If we can look something up at the courthouse, we will be
happy to do so. We don't do in-depth research but will check
our files, books and other available resources for you.

Research Committee

Enclosures

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Dobson, North Carolina
27017

NC I am interested in the Denny/ Denney Surname in Surry Co NC during the years 1850- 1900. I am following the family line of Eli Denny Jr age 46 1850 Surry Co and his father Eli Denny Sr age 85 Surry Co NC 1850
Eli Denny Jr # 108
and Eli Denny Sr 1850 Surry Co Census.

Is any one in your organization familiar with these lines?
I am willing to work with anyone to try and find out more about these persons.

Is there a Surry County historical available for purchase.
I would like to buy one.

Thank you for any help you might be to me.

Connie M. Lucas

"Denny Family Record of Oliver Joel Denney"
by Alma Taylor

"Bird Denney" by Zeb Denney

"Genealogy of the Family of Azariah Martin Denney, son of Edmond Denney, 15 Grandson of Samuel Denney" by Sylvester Denney
836 W. Bessemer Ave.
Greensboro, NC 27408

"Samuel Denney's Descendants" by Hazel Pea

at least 6 Denney Family Cem. in Pilot Mt. Area

DESCENDANCY CHART

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- 1-- Jeremiah DENNEY-1748 (1800)
sp-Sarah LONG-1749
2-- Azariah DENNEY-900
sp-Sarah MCCLASKEY-806 (1827-1917)
3-- Mary DENNEY-1745 (1850)
3-- Cynthia J. DENNEY-1746 (1852)
3-- Aaron DENNEY-805 (1854)
sp-Mary ROUSH-804 (1862-1890)
4-- Sadie DENNEY-273
sp-HOFFMAN-1590
5-- Bernice HOFFMAN-1591
4-- Emmeline Demarius DENNEY-803 (1889-1978)
sp-Charles Monroe KELLY-802 (1885-1974)
5-- Lulu Mae KELLY-820 (1907)
sp-Arthur Charles RUH-821
6-- Mary Naomi RUH-822 (1927)
sp-Lloyd KITZMILLER-906
7-- Patricia KITZMILLER-907 (1945)
sp-Thomas WOODWORTH-910
8-- Christine WOODWORTH-911 (1962)
sp-Ray CARRUTHERS-913
9-- Jonathan CARRUTHERS-914
8-- Kathleen WOODWORTH-912
sp-Paul CREGO-915
9-- Paul Jr. CREGO-916 (1985)
9-- Nicole CREGO-917 (1988)
7-- Thomas KITZMILLER-908
sp-Diane UNK-918
8-- Shawn KITZMILLER-919 (1975)
7-- Sue KITZMILLER-909 (1966)
sp-Bruce DAY-920
8-- Austin Michael DAY-921 (1993)
6-- Evelyn Marie RUH-823 (1928-1979)
sp-Richard WINEGARDNER-828 (-1974)
7-- Robert WINEGARDNER-829 (1947)
sp-Sue UNK-922
8-- Sherrie WINEGARDNER-923
sp-Unk STOVALL-925
9-- Alina STOVALL-926 (1989)
8-- Karen WINEGARDNER-924
sp-Don WOOD-927
6-- Charles Arthur Jr. RUH-824 (1930-1969)
sp-Esther BULLOCK-928
7-- Larry Lee RUH-929 (1948)
sp-Henrietta LEEMASTERS-931
8-- Larry Lee RUH-932
sp-Tanya UNK-934
9-- Jessica RUH-935
9-- Dallas RUH-936
8-- Shelby RUH-933
sp-David CIPRIANO-937
9-- Anthony CIPRIANO-938 (1992)
9-- Nicole Skye CIPRIANO-939 (1993)
7-- Terry RUH-930 (1950)
sp-Kathy HOLLEN-940
8-- Connie RUH-941

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8-- Jacob RUH-942
sp-Cristal UNK-943
6-- Emma Juanita RUH-825 (1932)
sp-Charles Joseph DEHNER-944 (1929)
7-- Michael Steven DEHNER-945 (1951)
sp-Diane WOODWARD-958 (1959)
8-- Stephanie DEHNER-959 (1975)
8-- Nicole DEHNER-960 (1978)
7-- Diana Lynn DEHNER-946 (1952)
sp-Richard CUTRIGHT-961 (1951)
8-- Jason CUTRIGHT-962 (1972)
sp-Derenda UNK-963 (1974)
9-- Brittany Dawn CUTRIGHT-964 (1992)
7-- Deborah Ann DEHNER-947 (1954)
sp-David RATLIFF-965 (1955)
8-- Aaron David Eugene RATLIFF-966 (1980)
8-- Joshua Charles RATLIFF-967 (1982)
7-- Nancy Jean DEHNER-948 (1956)
sp-Dale George WARD-968
8-- Melissa Danielle WARD-969 (1981)
8-- Tracy Lee WARD-970 (1982)
7-- Robert Charles DEHNER-949 (1957)
sp-Agnes ZIMMELMAN-971
8-- Robert Lyle DEHNER-972 (1979)
8-- Bradley Charles DEHNER-973 (1981)
sp-Marianne HALLER-974
8-- Candice UNK-975 (1986)
7-- Christine Joan DEHNER-950 (1958)
sp-Michael James ROBERTS-976 (1959)
8-- Sarah Nicole ROBERTS-977 (1983)
8-- Kelly Elizabeth ROBERTS-978 (1985)
8-- Zachary David ROBERTS-979 (1988)
8-- Cody James ROBERTS-980 (1992)
7-- David Wayne DEHNER-951 (1960)
sp-Laura UNK-981
8-- Desiree DEHNER-982 (1982)
sp-Cindy UNK-983
8-- Jamie UNK-984 (1980)
8-- David Adam DEHNER-985 (1985-1986)
8-- Danielle Nella Ryan DEHNER-986 (1987)
7-- Anne Marie DEHNER-952 (1962)
sp-Jack ROGERS-987
8-- Tiffany Ann ROGERS-988 (1984)
8-- Kyle Evan ROGERS-989 (1989)
7-- John Timothy DEHNER-953 (1963)
7-- Mary Lou DEHNER-954 (1964)
sp-Austin ATWOOD-990 (1964)
8-- Preston ATWOOD-991 (1984)
8-- Ashley Nicole ATWOOD-992 (1985)
8-- Travis Levi ATWOOD-993 (1990)
7-- Paul Anthony DEHNER-955 (1967)
7-- Bryan Keith DEHNER-956 (1970)
7-- Jane Elizabeth DEHNER-957 (1972)
sp-Martin MARTE-994 (1972)
6-- Josephine RUH-826
sp-James MINKOS-995 (1931)

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7-- James Arthur MINKOS-996 (1957)
sp-Darcy Denise DILL-1000
8-- Amanda (Mandy) Marie MINKOS-1001 (1981)
8-- Sarah Elizabeth MINKOS-1002 (1985)
7-- William Lee MINKOS-997 (1958)
sp-Angie CLAUSSEN-1003
8-- Christopher Lee MINKOS-1004 (1993)
7-- Patty Jo MINKOS-998 (1960)
sp-Unk UNK-1005
8-- Brandon Lee MINKOS-1006 (1982)
7-- Lori Ann MINKOS-999
6-- Linda Kay RUH-827 (1950)
5-- Mary Selma KELLY-794 (1909-1986)
sp-Charles Wesley KNIGHT-793 (1904-1967)
→ 6-- Dorothy Marcella KNIGHT-7 (1928)
sp-Lionel Calvin LEWIS-1 (1928)
7-- Heather Gabrielle LEWIS-8 (1969)
sp-Nolan Victor LEBLANC-229 (1969)
sp-Leo Thomas ADAMS-1382 (1926-1986)
6-- Charles Wesley KNIGHT Jr.-795 (1936)
sp-Ronda DIAMOND-796
7-- Charles Edgar KNIGHT-797 (1955)
sp-Dianne Lynn HEADLEY-1412 (1957)
8-- Nicholas Stuart KNIGHT-1415 (1979)
8-- Justin Scott KNIGHT-1416 (1981)
8-- Allison Renee' KNIGHT-1417 (1989)
8-- Hayley Marissa KNIGHT-1418 (1993)
7-- Melanie Jodell KNIGHT-798 (1955)
sp-Benjamin Leroy LOWDER-1419 (1956)
8-- Benjamin Leroy LOWDER (Jr.)-1420 (1976)
7-- Alan Wesley KNIGHT-1377 (1958)
sp-Donna Lou SWEET-1421 (1958)
8-- Nicole Ann KNIGHT-1424 (1979)
8-- Chad Alan KNIGHT-1425 (1981)
8-- Sara Marie KNIGHT-1426 (1985)
7-- Adam Lee KNIGHT-1378 (1959)
sp-Ida Marie STILTNER-1427
8-- David Lee KNIGHT-1428 (1984)
8-- Lisa Marie KNIGHT-1429 (1986)
8-- Daniel Alan KNIGHT-1430 (1987)
8-- Jonathan Adam KNIGHT-1431 (1988)
7-- Ronald Dayne KNIGHT (twin)-1379 (1961)
sp-Mary Lou PERSINGER-1432
8-- Mark Anthony KNIGHT-1433 (1982)
sp-Tammy TAYLOR-1434
7-- Donald Wayne KNIGHT (twin)-1380 (1961)
sp-UNK-1438
8-- Christina Danielle KNIGHT-1439 (1980)
8-- Brandy Nicole KNIGHT-1440 (1983)
sp-Deleana Alice HAMMACK-1441 (1968)
8-- Leahanna Marie KNIGHT-1442 (1986)
7-- Thomas David KNIGHT-1381 (1965)
sp-Marjorie WOLFE-1376
sp-Rhonda Faye CATT-799 (1949)
7-- Crystal Winette KNIGHT-800 (1969)
sp-Ralph Timothy NOBLE-1443 (1962)

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- 8-- Joshua Timothy Wesley NOBLE-1444 (1989)
- 8-- Samantha Danielle Faye NOBLE-1445 (1992)
- 7-- Charles Wesley KNIGHT-801 (1971)
- 4-- Eva DENNEY-274
- 4-- Nellie DENNEY-275
- 4-- Wesley H. DENNEY-276 (1880)
- sp-Demie-1592 (1883)
 - 5-- Harry Everett DENNEY-1593 (1907)
 - 5-- Mary Edith DENNEY-1594 (1909)
 - sp-DEVENBURDET-498
 - 6-- Raymond DEVENBURDET-679 (1927)
 - 5-- Benjamin Franklin DENNEY-1595 (1911)
 - 5-- Henry Stevenson DENNEY-1596 (1913)
 - 5-- Ruth Lavina DENNEY-1597 (1915)
 - 5-- George Elliott DENNEY-1598 (1916)
 - 5-- Charles Wesley DENNEY-1599 (1919)
 - 5-- Robert Devall DENNEY-1600 (1922)
 - 5-- James Lloyd DENNEY-1601 (1926)
- 4-- Floyd DENNEY-899
- 3-- James F. DENNEY-1747 (1854)
- sp-Mary CONKLE-1769
- 3-- Harriet C. DENNEY-903 (1858)
- 3-- Zachariah C. DENNEY-904
- 3-- Demarius DENNEY-901
- sp-Henry MCFARLAND-1479
- 3-- Rebecca DENNEY-902
- sp-Martin SWICK-1476
 - 4-- Floyd SWICK-1477
 - 4-- William SWICK-1478
- 3-- David W. (Wesley) DENNEY-905
- 2-- Archbold DENNEY-1750 (1830)
- sp-Catherine SYLVESTER-1755
- 2-- Henry DENNEY-1751 (1833)
- 2-- Franklin DENNEY-1752 (1835)
- sp-Demarius MCCLASKEY-1756
 - 3-- Charles E. DENNEY-1757 (1872)
- 2-- Martha DENNEY-1753 (1838)
- 2-- William DENNEY-1754 (1850)
- sp-Anna SISLER-1768

September 3, 1994

Surry County Genealogical Association
P.O. Box 997
Dobson, NC 27017

Dear Sirs:

I am trying to do a family history and have come to a snag which I hope you can help me with.

I have enclosed a descendency chart of my last known ancestor and the line I come down is marked in yellow. I have been informed by a genealogist in Gallia County, OH that Jeremiah Denney was born in Surry County, NC. about 1800.

I would pay up to \$20.00 if you would try to locate Jeremiah's parents and where they came from.

Also enclosed is a SASE for your convenience in answering.

Sincerely,

Dorothy K. Lewis

Dorothy K. Lewis
P.O. Box 65
Mulliken, MI 48861
(517) 649-8883

*Wilma, I found this in stack of old papers to
SAGA - I have a Denny line, don't know this one.
Doubt if it was answered, there is AN SASE -
Wonder if she would send queries giving dates
+ where they moved to, etc. Jerry Beatty has A
Denny line + so does Pansy Broughton. She
is A Denny.*

Agnes

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

November 21, 1996

Dorothy K. Lewis
P. O. Box 65
Mulliken, MI 48861

Dorothy,

Your letter was given to me a week ago. We are so sorry you never heard from us. Your letter apparently got lost in some research materials and has just been found. We are very embarrassed that this has happened. We hope this incident will not keep you from writing us again. You probably have the information you needed by now.

There has been a lot of Denny research done in Surry County. In looking through our files, family histories on the Denny's, and the four Denny books that we have in file, the only reference I could find of a Jeremiah Denny was a marriage bond in Patrick County, VA of Jeremiah Denny to Sally Harris dated 10-26-1796. It is believed he is the son of James Denney. But this Jeremiah Denny is too old to be the Jeremiah Denney you are looking for.

I also checked some other sources available also but did not find any information. I am sending you some names and addresses of researchers of the Denny family. You might want to get in touch with them if you still have a need to. Sending you some notes I had on the Denny family also. They may not be your line but you might be interested in the many Denny cemeteries in Surry County. This listing is probably not all of them.

We suggest you send a query for our journal if you still need the information on parents of Jeremiah Denney and make your offer of payment in the query. The query is free and information is enclosed.

We would like to have more on information on your Jeremiah Denney and Azariah Denney for our files. There were several Azariah Denny's in Surry County. We will place the information you sent in our files and we hope to hear from you with further information.

If you feel we can be of service in the future, please write us again. Hopefully, your letter will not get misplaced the next time.

Good luck with your research.

Research Committee

27 April 1982

DENNY
Key

Ms Agnes Wells
521 N. Franklin Rd
Mount Airy, N.C. 27030

Dear Ms Wells

I am writing in response to your query in the Jan. 1982 issue of the Journal of Surry Co. Genealogical Assoc. about the parents of Mary F. Denny.

Recently I obtained a copy of "Genealogy of the North Carolina Branch of the Denny-Denney Family" compiled by Guy C. Denny (now deceased) of Indianapolis and reprinted by Sylvester Denny of Greensboro, N.C. (1976)

According to this document your Mary F. Denny, who married Augustine "Gus" S. Key, was the daughter of Edmond Denny and Frances Farris Denny. "They are buried on a hill-top west side of the Pilot Mountain. Plain stones mark their graves, about 1 - 1½ miles south of Pilot Mountain, N.C."

The parents of Edmond Denny were Azariah Denny, b. 12 Jan. 1788, d. 11 Oct 1878. m. 23 Oct 1810 Elizabeth Stone, b. 14 Oct. 1789, d. 11 Oct 1864. They both lived and died in Surry Co. N.C.

The parents of Azariah Denny (1788-1878) were William Denny and Rebecca Hooper, m. in Albermarle Co., Va. "Moved to Surry Co., N.C. and settled on the Arrat River near Cedar Hill about 1773. William Denny settled on an ax entry before the land offices were opened in the state and the farm has been in the Denny Family ever since. He raised seven children."

The father of said William Denny was Samuel Denny. Not much is known about him but it is believed that he immigrated from Ireland about 1743. He settled in Amherst, Va. One account states that he married an Irish lady by the name of Southard. Another account states that Samuel Denny married Sarah Sudorth. They raised 17 children: 9 sons, 8 daughters. William was the oldest child. Samuel sold out his belongings in Amherst, Va., and migrated to Surry Co., N.C. and settled on the HILL farm on the Arrat River near the Pilot Creek. Some of his sons came with him but some remained around Amherst, Va.,

The Denny genealogy contains upwards of 250 pages, It is undocumented and there are some inconsistencies but it is very useful. If you have questions, let me know. I'll be glad to send additional information.

I am trying to find information about Littleberry or Little Bery Bray who was living in Surry Co. in 1790. Should you come across any information about him I ~~xxxxxx~~ would greatly appreciate any lead you can give me.

Sincerely,
Hazel Rea
Hazel Rea
Star Route, Box 194
Buffalo, Mo. 65622

FIFTH GENERATION

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CHILDREN OF JOEL DENNY, No. 1131 Continued:-

No. 11318 Amanda (Denny) Vaughn Dau. of No. 1131
Married Marion Vaughn, Surry county, N.C.
Died in 1936 without issue.

No. 11319 Azariah Denny Son of No. 1131
Born April 8th., 1844. Slain in battle June 6th., 1864
Was a Confederate soldier.

CHILDREN OF EDMOND DENNY, No. 1132:-

No. 11321 William Coleman Denny Son of No. 1132
Surry county, N.C.

No. 11322 Azariah Denny Son of No. 1132
Surry county, N.C.

No. 11323 Mary (Denny) Key *Augustine S. Key*
Married Gus Key Dau. of No. 1132
Surry county, N.C.

No. 11324 Ellen (Denny) Key *H. J. Key*
Married a brother to Gus Key Dau. of No. 1132
Surry county, N.C.

No. 11325 Nancy (Denny) Jones *John W*
Surry county, N.C. Dau. of No. 1132

CHILDREN OF MARTIN DENNY, No. 1133:-

No. 11331 Sallie (Denny) Fulk Dau. of No. 1133
Married Aaron Fulk

No. 11332 Achilles M. Denny Son of No. 1133
Surry county, N.C.

No. 11333 Lewis Denny Son of No. 1133
Surry county, N.C.

No. 11334 Nancy (Denny) Whitacre Dau. of No. 1133
Married John Whitacre
Surry county, N.C.

Note: Check this woman's first name. Bad penmanship on the part of this writer in his original notes. This don't speak well for the family when I can't read my own writing.

Samuel Denny m. ^{? Southard} Saint Leuth [?]

Asariah Denny m. Sally Wise Fenton
b. about 1762
d. after 1820

Elizabeth Denny m. 1801 -
b. 1784, Surry Co. N.C.
d. 1869, Gallia Co. Ohio.

William Bray
b. 1777 - Surry Co. N.C.
d. 1861 - Gallia Co. Ohio

Noah Bray
b. 29 Jan. 1819, Gallia Co. Ohio
d. 26 Aug. 1889, Dallas Co. Mo

m. (2) Mrs. Mary Breshears Baker
widow of Abraham Baker
1822 - 1841

Naomi Bray
b. 1856, Dallas Co. Mo
d. 1935 " " "

m. Matthew Alford
1854 - 1889

Alma Alford
1882 - 1973

m. Harry Rea
1877 - 1955

Hazel Rea
1901 -

son of Littleberry
Bray

JOEL DENNY FAMILY PORTRAIT

Women (left to right): Rosann Boaz Denny Key, Betty Denny Flinchum, Joel's widow Nancy Jones Denny, Kizzi Denny Jones and Amanda Denny Vaughn
Men (left to right): Gabriel Denny, John Denny, Carey Bird Denny and David Jones Denny
Picture taken at Cedar Hill (Ararat) Church.



January 3rd, 1863

General hospital No. 10 Richmond, Va

Dear father, I one time more seat myself to write you a few lines to let you know that I am getting on fine hoping these few lines may find you all well. I come to this place last night. This hospital is on Broad Street in 100 yards of James River - $\frac{1}{4}$ of a mile down below the Petersburg depot. I think they live very well here though I don't know. This is a North Carolina hospital. The one I came from is to be a Virginia hospital. All the men left there night that could travel but Virginians. They give no furloughs at this hospital to no man. As for my part I expect to go to my regiment in less than 10 days if they will let me but I hate to go bare footed and bare backed - I have got as much clothing as I want besides over coat and shoes.

So I must have them if I can get them and no chance to get them here. I want you to send them as quick as you can or bring them for I don't think it will be much funny to lie out now with a tent or coat. If you come here you will find me in ward No. 26 in the 3rd story of the old American hotel though I may be sent to some other hospital or Camp Winder before you get here. I don't want to go to my regiment till I get them things or I would start this morning though my jaw is not quite well it is not dangerous. I have got more flesh on my bones than I ever had before though I am not as stout as I was when I left home. You must excuse bad writing and spelling for this is a cold morning and no fire.

Direct your letter to general hospital No. 10 Richmond Va to A. Denny 21 Regiment Company C- N. C. Troops - Then if I am gone from here it will go after me. So I must close my letter by saying I still remain your son until death.

A. Denny To Joel Denny

The doctor just now came around. I am going to my Regiment I think. I think he returned me to duty and if he did I will leave here this morning.

A. Denny

I will write soon and often.

Carolyn W. Spence
7530 Nc Highway 62
Trinity, NC 27370



Husband: William Denny

Born: Abt. 1748 in:
Married: in:
Died: in:
Father:
Mother:

Other Spouses:

Wife: Rebecca Hooper

Born: Abt. 1750 in:
Died: in:
Father:
Mother:

Other Spouses:

CHILDREN

1	Name: Nancy Denny	
	Born: April 20, 1773	in:
F	Married: May 24, 1794	in: Surry Co. NC
	Died: 1857	in: Carroll County, VA
	Spouse: Henry Levi Burcham	
2	Name: Martha Denny	
	Born:	in:
F	Married:	in:
	Died:	in:
	Spouse:	
3	Name: Sally Denny	
	Born:	in:
F	Married:	in:
	Died:	in:
	Spouse:	
4	Name: Lazarus Denny	
	Born:	in:
M	Married: 1797	in:
	Died:	in:
	Spouse: Susanna Burcham	
5	Name: Keziah Denny	
	Born:	in:
M	Married:	in:
	Died:	in:
	Spouse:	
6	Name: Azariah Denny	
	Born:	in:
M	Married:	in:
	Died:	in:
	Spouse:	
7	Name:	
	Born:	in:
	Married:	in:
	Died:	in:
	Spouse:	
8	Name:	
	Born:	in:
	Married:	in:
	Died:	in:
	Spouse:	

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A. Denny

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A. Denny

I will write soon and often.

Denny

LAZARUS DENNY IS THE SON OF SAMUEL DENNY

In the book by Guy Denney, GENEALOGY OF THE NORTH CAROLINA BRANCH OF THE DENNY - DENNEY FAMILY, is a letter from Joel Denny to A M Denny. The Joel Denny letter includes the following: "Some time before the Revolutionary war one Samuel Denny came from across the waters and married a woman by the name of Southard, settled in Amherst Virginia, and raised 17 children. Their names as I recollect them were William, Azariah, John, Charles, Henry, Lazarus, Benjamin, James, and Shered. As to the daughters, I recollect few of their names at present, Keziah and Nancy only." Joel continued to list as many of the grandchildren as he knew. He seems to be talking about a Surry County, North Carolina family.

This letter has many problems. First, the letter includes no dates (birth, marriage, or death). Second, the letter includes no places other than the Amherst reference. Joel seems to be repeating stories told to him. However the letter has withstood most tests. The following is another test of the letter.

THEORY ABOUT FATHER AND BROTHERS OF LAZARUS DENNY (Analysis without using Joel Denny letter)

FIRST ARGUMENT:

Meadow Creek flows into the New River which flows into the Ohio River. Thus the Meadow Creek land is "over the mountains". Currently, Meadow Creek is in Grayson County, Virginia. First, there are no Denny men in the New River valley in 1770 to 1773.¹ Lazarus Denny had 50 acres on Meadow Creek surveyed in 1783 and 100 Acres surveyed in 1784.² All adult Denny men who were in the New River valley between 1773 and 1784 are considered candidates for his father.

The only New River valley Denny men before 1783 are Samuel Denny and Patrick Denny. "Samuel Dennie" and "Patrick Denny" both signed a 1776 petition to the Fincastle County Safety Committee.

¹New River Tithables 1770 - 1773 by Mary B Kegley, 1986.

²Early Adventurers On The Western Waters, Volume I, The New River of Virginia in Pioneer Days 1745 - 1800 by Mary B. Kegley and F. B. Kegley, page 311. The author indicated that the data came from the Montgomery County Survey Plat Books A, B, C, and D.

They are the only Denny/Dennie men to sign the petition.³

In January of 1779, Samuel Denny was charged with stealing a mare from John Dickson (found not guilty) and in February of 1779, he was charged with stealing a cow from Samuel Willis (outcome unknown). Both of these happened in Montgomery County which includes the New River valley.⁴

Patrick is removed from consideration because of his 1797 Washington Co, Virginia will⁵ which did not mention Lazarus Denny as a son nor does it mention the children of Lazarus as grandchildren. Thus Samuel Denny is the candidate for the father of Lazarus Denny.

Clearly this is a weak argument as there may have been another Denny man who left no references but was the father of Lazarus. The following is a different argument that also results in Samuel Denny being the best candidate for the father of Lazarus Denny.

SECOND ARGUMENT:

The 1771 Surry Co, NC tax list includes Azariah Denny, Edmund Denny (2 or 4 polls), Henry Denny, John Denny, Samuel Denny (3 polls), and William Denny.⁶

The 1772 Surry Co, NC tax list included Azariah Denny, Edmond Denny (3 polls), Henry Denny, John Denny (2 polls), Lazarus Denny, and Samuel Denny (2 polls).⁷

Thus John Denny increased in the number of polls; Edmund Denny either increased or decreased in the number of polls; and Samuel Denny decreased in the number of polls. In addition, Lazarus Denny is added to the list. Assuming that he became of legal age

³The Petition is found on FHC film number 0032622, item 3. It is from Montgomery County Order Book 3 dated 1778-1780. Fincastle County was discontinued in 1777.

⁴Montgomery County Order Book 3, page 17 and 18 on FHC film number 0032622, item 3.

⁵Washington County, Virginia Will Book 2, page 144. Written 14 Aug 1797 and probated 19 December 1797.

⁶Surry List of Taxables 1771, The North Carolinian, Sept 1957, page 341.

⁷Surry List of Taxables 1772, The North Carolinian, March 1958, page 397.

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8 Jan. 1999

In reference to pages 24 & 26, Fall 1998 (Vol. 18 Book 3) Journal of Surry County Genealogical Association:

Additional information on Levi Henry Schaub b 5 Jan. 1839 - d 24 May 1863.

I have his birth date 5 Jan 1834, born near Bethania to Johanne Christoph (John Christopher) and Justina Seiz Schaub, he married 16 Aug. 1858 to Mary McCraw.

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Levi is buried with Thomas Schaub's family in the old Methodist Cemetery on South Main Street in Mt. Airy.

Levi Henry Schaub was brother to Thomas Schaub (see Article 598 p 463 in Heritage of Surry County, NC Vol I, Thomas on p 465).

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LAZARUS DENNY IS THE SON OF SAMUEL DENNY

In the book by Guy Denney, *GENEALOGY OF THE NORTH CAROLINA BRANCH OF THE DENNY - DENNEY FAMILY*, is a letter from Joel Denny to A M Denny. The Joel Denny letter includes the following: "Some time before the Revolutionary war one Samuel Denny came from across the waters and married a woman by the name of Southard, settled in Amherst Virginia, and raised 17 children. Their names as I recollect them were William, Azariah, John, Charles, Henry, Lazarus, Benjamin, James, and Shered. As to the daughters, I recollect few of their names at present, Keziah and Nancy only." Joel continued to list as many of the grandchildren as he knew. He seems to be talking about a Surry County, North Carolina family.

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THEORY ABOUT FATHER AND BROTHERS OF LAZARUS DENNY (Analysis without using Joel Denny letter)

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Meadow Creek flows into the New River which flows into the Ohio River. Thus the Meadow Creek land is "over the mountains". Currently, Meadow Creek is in Grayson County, Virginia. First, there are no Denny men in the New River valley in 1770 to 1773.¹ Lazarus Denny had 50 acres on Meadow Creek surveyed in 1783 and 100 Acres surveyed in 1784.² All adult Denny men who were in the New River valley between 1773 and 1784 are considered candidates for his father.

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¹New River Tithables 1770 - 1773 by Mary B Kegley, 1986.

²Early Adventurers On The Western Waters, Volume I, The New River of Virginia in Pioneer Days 1745 - 1800 by Mary B. Kegley and F. B. Kegley, page 311. The author indicated that the data came from the Montgomery County Survey Plat Books A, B, C, and D.

They are the only Denny/Dennie men to sign the petition.³

In January of 1779, Samuel Denny was charged with stealing a mare from John Dickson (found not guilty) and in February of 1779, he was charged with stealing a cow from Samuel Willis (outcome unknown). Both of these happened in Montgomery County which includes the New River valley.⁴

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Clearly this is a weak argument as there may have been another Denny man who left no references but was the father of Lazarus. The following is a different argument that also results in Samuel Denny being the best candidate for the father of Lazarus Denny.

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Thus John Denny increased in the number of polls; Edmund Denny either increased or decreased in the number of polls; and Samuel Denny decreased in the number of polls. In addition, Lazarus Denny is added to the list. Assuming that he became of legal age

³The Petition is found on FHC film number 0032622, item 3. It is from Montgomery County Order Book 3 dated 1778-1780. Fincastle County was discontinued in 1777.

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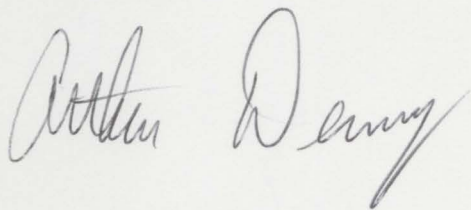
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