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Update on Membership

This year seems to be a growth year as I look through the past records. We have grown in membership more in this year than we have in any past year, taking into consideration the first few months of start up when many joined back in 1994. It is hard to believe that Christmas is just around the corner! I am sure that everyone had a busy summer, and will just now be getting back into the libraries and files and computer-stored data on their Rainwaters, although it looks like several branches have had reunions and many others do not put down their magnifying glass for anyone or anything.

We are moving in a positive direction and the more we can concentrate our efforts and share our data, the better off we will all be. The last issue of this year will be out between Thanksgiving and Christmas, so families can all share in the memories of our past. It will also give the names and addresses of all current members for the 1997 calendar year.

It will also be time for those whose memberships have come to an end to renew theirs and will truly hope that everyone will stay on board for our FOURTH year as an organization. On the address side of your newsletter it says when your LAST issue is, so if that is Winter '97, then you need to renew your membership so as not to miss out on future issue of the newsletter and stay informed on things Rainwater.

The Web site is growing with new links to areas that would be of help to anyone doing genealogical research, and although the FAMILY TREE PROJECT had some setbacks, being that the FTM company did not really have the space we required to display our entire Rainwater Family Tree, I got some initial work done a couple months ago, and promise to continue to put our Rainwaters on the WEB so that anyone can follow their line back to the earliest documented Rainwater ancestor. Then as we get new data it will be easier to add to it. REALIZE that this takes an inordinant amount of time so it is not going to happen overnight. Unless Ed McMahon shows up at my door from Publisher's Clearing House and I can retire at 34!

I would also put out a general request to the membership at this time too: If anyone has space available on the web to house some of this material, I would be most appreciative. I am hardly close to filling up my alotted space on my two web sites that I currently have. I will add as many pages as I can, but after that we will need others to donate space to house the other pages. The person's names are hyperlinked to wherever they are at and so it is not important where they are on the net. Let me know soon if you can help.

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TidBits from Arkansas

Subject: forwarded RAINWATER message

From: tnt@iocc.com (Tim and Terry Patterson)
To: Rainwater researchers

My husband's grandmother's name was Leonora Rainwater, born Feb. 8, 1883
and died 1933 at Sardus, AR. She married Benjamin Harvey Crabtree.

The family believes that they are from the Cherokee tribe.
She had a brother by the name of Bud Rainwater. Do these names sound familiar
to anyone?

Also, we find the name Nancy WALDO who married Andrew Jackson PATTERSON or Jack Patterson, and she supposedly was related.

Any help from anyone would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks,

Terry --- TNT @ iocc.com

In the Reconstructed Census for Scott Co 1890;Filed Petitions found in Scott Co Court House Vault; Vault Box 36
Petition filed 7 April 1890, to divided Tomlinson Township
Rainwater, F W

History of Scott County Arkansas....by Henry Grady McCutchen Names of Scott Co men who participated in the World War:
Noah E Rainwater

Scott County Marriages;

Rainwater, Delphi, 35, of Muse, LeFlore Co, OK, to Jennings, Ethel, 19, of Gravelly, Yell Co, AR on 23 July 1937. Pg 106

Owens, Eugene H, 21, of Sullivan, to {Earthy ?} Rainwater, 20, of Sullivan, on 30 June 1912, by E Bowen. pg 290

Newspaper clipping...No Date
Histosric Day
Wilson Stiles of Little Rock, director of the Arkansas Historical Preservation Program, presents a certificate to Mr & Mrs Carl Supon denoting inclusion of the old Forrester Home at Waldron in the National Register of Historic Places. State Sen Gene Rainwater took part in the informal ceremony Thursday at Waldron. The Supons own the house. All of Arkansas' 75 counties now have historic designations.

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Piney School ...Teacher, Ike Harrison. Some of the students were; ..., Earthy Rainwater,

Do We Want Query Pages in the Researcher or Not?

Since I have received only one query this year so far from Marjory Thomas (which I will put in the last issue) I would like to know if the readership/membership wants me to try to keep a query page at all. It would seem to me to be one of the easiest and best ways to advertise what you are looking for and it is free to members. Even that said, no one has submitted queries in quite some time so I am assuming that you do not want to see them. I can pull off of the internet queries from members and print them in the newsletter for those who are not "Linked" to the Internet yet.

Please let me know. Drop me a postcard or send me an email or call me and leave a message, or use Morse Code, or smoke signals, or send me a psychic premonition. Anything!!!!! Also if you have any other things that you would like to see in the newsletter or want an article on your family, you can submit one and I will gladly print it. OR, you can just let me know that you would like to see more on the Rainwaters from this or that state or county. I am trying my best to give data from all parts so as to interest the entire group, but unfortunately I am only human. No supernatural powers. I can't even climb three flights of stairs without getting tired, much less leap tall buildings in a single bound! Look forward to hearing from everyone. Want to make the newsletter better each year and this will help me to do just that. Thanks! Robert Albert Jr.

Some SE Mississippi Data

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Rainwater, Clifton J b 1898, father: John Edwin Rainwater
Rainwater, Dorothy  b 1924, marr W.T. Higginbotham
Rainwater, Fred Hyde, b 1884, father: John Edwin Rainwater
Rainwater, Jesse Gould, b 1882,  marr Irene Edith Sims
Rainwater, John Edwin, b 1886, marr Mary Coleman
Rainwater, John Edwin, b 1855, marr Lucy Rebecca Hyde
Rainwater, John P., b 1820, marr Malinda Buckley
Rainwater, Joseph Judson, b 1895, marr Mable Ruby Holland
Rainwater, Juanita, b 1922, marr Emery Irwin Moshier
                           marr John Wordy Buckner
Rainwater, Minnie Myrtle, b 1892, marr William Chester Weems
Rainwater, Richard,    marr  Nancy Elizabeth  ?
Rainwater, Robert Jennings, b 1900, marr Eunice Smith
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Family Tree Maker CD Compilation

A special thanks again to Kay Ohana for compiling this data and sending it. Many people probably do not have these CD's yet and it makes it nice to have yet another list of data that can help us in pinpointing places to look for our ancestors in several states' records. Remember, that these records are in part submitted by people and neither Kay nor I nor Family Tree Maker will stand by their authenticity. But it is a good place to start if you run across something helpful, and may give you new places to look for records on your Rainwater ancestors.

"I have completed the search for Rainwater marriages for all spellings from the Family Tree Maker Marriage Index CDs that I have. They are:"
#1-LA;
#2-IL,IN,KY,OH,TN;
#3-AL,GA,SC;
#4-MD,NC,VA;
#5-AR,MO,MS,TX;
#6-AR;
#224-MD;
#225-AZ,CA,ID,NV;
#226-GA;
#227-AR,CA,IA,LA,MN,MO,OR,TX;
#228-IL,IN;
#229-KY,NC,TN,VA,WV;
#400-OH.

All the marriages in CD #226 for Rainwater are in #3. No Rainwaters in OH and only 5 in TX.

Information on Rainwater from Early Mississippi Records by Betty Couch Wiltshire, Heritage Books, Inc. Copyright 1996.

Richard Rainwater and Narcissus Rainwater, his wife, on the 29 March 1859 sold property to John Shaw..... Attala Co. MS

Richard Rainwater - 3rd MS Cav 1825-1904 Attala-Attala MS Confederate Grave Registrations.

Nancy Rainwater died in Rankin Co. MS 18 March 1845, age 56, from the Southern Reformer, Jackson MS

Unison Rainwater - 1845 Tax Roll, Holmes Co. MS
P.N. Rainwater - 1843 Tax Roll, Yazoo Co. MS

RAINWATER	Spouse	Marriage Date	County	State
???	Mason, Polley	1641-1944Ancestor Mg		SC
A.C.	Veazey, Sallie	10 Dec 1885	Taliaferro	GA
A.H.	Payne, Mollie B.	1919	Randolph	AR
A.M.	Nix, Parthena	21 July 1885	Anderson	TX
Aaron	Elliott, Mary E.	25 Apr 1841	Jefferson	TN
Abner	Henry, Elizabeth	1820-1830	Hancock	GA
Abner	Moor, Louiza	01 Jan 1852	Carroll	GA
Abraham	McLaughlin, Ann	16 Apr 1828	Russell	KY
Adison	Wallace, Susan	01 Apr 1840	Lincoln	GA

RAINWATER	Spouse	Marriage Date	County	State
Aley	Bowls, William	01 Feb 1822	Surry	NC
Alla Carney	Terry, Phineas	02 Aug 1836	Copiah	MS
Allen	Lambert, Nancy	27 Dec 1840	Calhoun	AL
Allen	Queen, Ethel	10 Oct 1913	Calcasiew Parish	LA
Allen P.	Rainwater, Nancy A.	12 Sep 1854	Lawrence	AL
Amanda	Oliphant, Solomon R.	12 Mar 1846	Hancock	GA
Amanda T.	Daniell, John W.	13 Jul 1890	Cullman	AL
Amzier	Hamilton, Clara	1895	Randolph	AR
Ann	Weddle, Daniel	25 July 1846	Pulaski	KY
Anna	Wright, Burrel H.	10 Oct 1849	Johnson	IL
Arabella	Rainwater, John J.	29 Aug 1866	Washington	AL
Armel	Toliver, Elvin	1922	Randolph	AR
Artie L.	Peace, Thomas L.	22 Apr 1894	Crawford	AR
B.F.	Hughes, Jessie	28 Dec 1905	Logan	AR
Bartholomew	McLaughlin, Nancy	12 Feb 1825	Adaiar	KY
Betty S.	Sellers, Barney B.	1948	Randolph	AR
Bud	Powell, Emma	11 Sep 1914	Calcasiew Parish	LA
Camantha	Gadberry, Jonathen	04 Apr 1866	Casey	KY
Canzadah	Eskew,Samuel	08 Dec 1848	Fulton	GA
Caroline	McKenzie, George W.	22 July 1848	Unknown	AL
Caroline	Stinson, John H.	20 May 1842	Logan	KY
Caroline	Leabo, Jeremiah	27 May 1846	Ray	MO
Carrie	Wilcox, George S.	19 Apr 1911	Calcasiew Parish	LA
Catherine	Shields, Zachariah	26 Feb 1827	Jefferson	TN
Charels (Charles?)	Veazey, Cornelia	06 Apr 1875	Greene	GA
Charity	Ivy, George W.F.	1858?	Hancock	GA
Charles	Jordon, Hester (Mrs)	06 Sep 1902	St. Helena Parish	LA
Charley	Still, Julia H.	06 Sep 1894	Greene	MS
Clariah	Sanders, Ebiney	29 Jul 1850	Fulton	GA
D.P.	Morrison, Elizabeth	28 Mar 1858	Montgomery	NC
Daniel	Nix, Sarah E.	26 Apr 1861	Fulton	GA
Daniel M./Mc	Whitaker, Ann	14 Dec 1848	Pulaski	KY
Delila	Fortenberry, Abraham	10 May 1846	Paulding	GA
Delpha	Brannon, William	04 Jan 1849	Cherokee	GA
Dialtha	Jones, John	23 Aug 1846	Jefferson	TN
Dora	Musgrove, L.C.	20 Apr 1892	Jones	MS
Dowthett P.	Papst, Christiana H.	01 May 1853	E.Carroll Parish	LA
E.G.	Sturdevant, Nancy	31 Aug 1849	Upson	GA
E.N., Miss	Johnston, L.P.	26 Dec 1883	Yazoo	MS
Earl	Holloway, Ader	1927	Randolph	AR
Eber	Eskew, Sarah	31 May 1849	Fulton	GA
Eddie	Williams, James D.	28 Dec 1896	Crawford	AR
Elisha G.	Grant, Elizabeth	02 Nov 1826	Hancock	GA
Eliza Ann	Frasure, George C.	03 Oct 1858	Taliaferro	GA
Elizabeth	Roberts, Isaac	24 Nov 1843	Pulaski	KY
Elizabeth	Collins, Daniel	12 Nov 1800	Richmond	NC
Elizabeth	Eades, Samuel	30 Dec 1847	Montgomery	TN
Elizabeth	Hawkins, James	20 Feb 1839	Lawrence	AL
Elizabeth	Prewitt, C.	20 Jan 1850	Cherokee	GA
Elizabeth	Sewell, Pierce	06 Jan 1846	Coweta	GA
Elizabeth	Hightower, Joseph T.	31 Aug 1854	Fulton	GA
Elizabeth	Atwell, I.W.	07 July 1869	Rapides Parish	LA
Elizabeth	Jennings, William C.	11 Sep 1834	Rankin	MS
Elizabeth	Jennings, William	11 Oct 1834	Rankin	MS
Elizabeth E.	Turner, Samuel	21 Dec 1850	Logan	KY
Elizabeth W.	Cooper, William	19 Aug 1844	Pulaski	KY
Elizabeth, Mrs.	Watson, J.F.	12 May 1910	Lincoln	MS
Ellen J.	Bailey, Harmon A.	05 Aug 1858	Washington	AL
Emeline	Berry, Joseph H.	27 Nov 1873	Newton	TX

RAINWATER	Spouse	Marriage Date	County	State
Emily	Eastham, Alexandria	30 Aug 1844	Pulaski	KY
Enoch	Compton, Martha Ann	22 Dec 1852	Pulaski	KY
F.E. Miss	Miller, E.R.	10 Nov 1854	Fulton	GA
F.F.	Butler, Lula L.	03 Nov 1894	DeSoto Parish	LA
F.R., Miss	Musgrow, J.J.	08 Sep 1882	Jones	MS
Fannie	Smith, Thomas	08 May 1897	Lincoln	MS
Frances E.	Humphries, Noel M.	23 Oct 1870	Greene	GA
Francis A.	Moore, Sarah	18 Sep 1845	Jefferson	TN
Gabril	Toney, Nancy	17 Jun 1829	Rutherford	NC
George A.	Parish, Nancy A.	17 Oct 1860	Carroll	GA
George H.	Linder, Nancy	22 Dec 1886	Franklin	MS
Gertrude	Maxey, W.F.	12 Nov 1899	Crawford	AR
Gideon E.	Hammonds, Mary Ann	10 July 1839	Russell	KY
Gilliom	Christmas, Nancy	07 Nov 1787	Warren	NC
H. Cloud	McCracken, Pearl R.	13 Dec 1892	Orleans Parish	LA
H.D.	Patterson Chester E.	10 Dec 1884	Cullman	AL
Harold	Zimmer, Ellen	05 May 1919	Kootenai	ID
Harvey	Hewitt, Nancy	03 Jan 1874	Washington	AR
Henry H.	Lowery, James	19 Oct 1843	Ittawamba	MS
Henry N.	Turner, Lilia A.	01 Sep 1876	McDonald	MO
Isabella	Smith, Ira	30 Dec 1886	Franklin	MS
J.B.	Montgomery, Hannah	24 July 1850	Carroll	MS
J.E.	Hyde, Lucy	02 Nov 1881	Clarke	MS
James	McDaniel, Polly	29 Apr 1826	Pulaski	KY
James	Dobbs, Nancy A.	15 May 1859	Carroll	GA
James E.	Henson, Susan	25 Jan 1845	Cherokee	GA
James H.	Jackson, Adaline	04 Jun 1844	Todd	KY
James S.	Scarber, Margaret J.	26 July 1877	Franklin	AR
James T.	Parris, Miss Milly E.	03 Feb 1857	Paulding	GA
Jennie E.	Garrett, B.F.	16 Jan 1890	Panola	MS
John	Lawless, Elizabeth	02 Dec 1837	Pulaski	KY
John	Cunningham, Mary	26 Dec 1801	Richmond	NC
John	Smith, Caroline	24 Oct 1885	Grant Parish	LA
John	Porter, Elizabeth S.	02 Dec 1857	Pulaski	KY
John	Mahoney, Annie Mrs	18 Apr 1869	Warren	MS
John B.	Kifer, Mary	13 Jan 1836	Knox	TN
John C.	Smith, Rebecca	07 Apr 1857	Washington	AL
John J.	Rainwater, Arabella	29 Aug 1866	Washington	AL
John R.	Sudduth, L.J.	23 Aug 1889	Franklin	MS
John S.	Shahan, Lucinda	16 Sep 1841	Jefferson	TN
Joseph	Walton, Caroline E.	18 Jan 1844	Coweta	GA
Joseph H.	Williams, Letitia	28 Dec 1875	Greene	GA
Joshua	Peterson, Polly	Feb 1820	Pendleton	
Julia	McKinzie, I.M.	27 Mar 1863	Washington	AL
Julia E.	Meeks, R.L.	1884	Randolph	AR
Juliett O.	Grimes, Joseph C.	14 Feb 1850	Ray	MO
L.C., Miss	Henry, Robert S.	14 Oct 1880	Crawford	AR
L.W.	Hyatt, E.A.E.	19 Feb 1876	Newton	TX
Lacy D.	Bell, Dorothy	05 Sep 1846	Greene	GA
Lavina (Lavinia?)	Holmes, Robert W.	17 Oct 1843	Hancock	GA
Lawrence	Stevens, Imogene	1938	Randolph	AR
Leander	Freeney, Susan A.B.	09 Dec 1847	Baldwin	GA
Leroy N.	Smith, Hannah	Dec 1839	Pendleton	
Loma L.	Beard, Walter A.	12 Sep 1922	Nez Perce	ID
Loniza C.	Burchfiel(d), James	28 Jun 1847	Jefferson	TN
Lottie	Huggins, Albert	21 Dec 1905	Greene	MS
Louisa	Harris, Jesse	01 Dec 1838	Greene	GA
Louisa J.	Chambers, J.C.K.	01 Jan 1842	Winston	MS
M.E.	Flanagan, James L.	08 Oct 1899	Crawford	AR

RAINWATER	Spouse	Marriage Date	County	State
M.E.	Marshall, George W.	23 Sep 1880	Franklin	AR
Maggie E.	Carver, John B.	16 July 1890	Crawford	AR
Malcomb	Artman, Margaret A.	18 Nov 1845	Ray	MO
Maranda	Williams, E.L.	11 Jul 1870	Washington	AL
Margaret	Steele, Davie	18 Apr 1852	Franklin	AR
Mariah	Barnwell, William	21 Dec 1843	Carroll	GA
Mariah T.P.	Hawkins, William H.	18 Oct 1851	Leake	MS
Martha	Seegar, John A.	17 Nov 1859	Fulton	GA
Martha	Waskom, William	30 Nov 1826	St. Tammany Par.	LA
Martha	Morton, John A.	20 Oct 1886	Crawford	AR
Martha	Dove, Wm.	18 Feb 1856	Pulaski	KY
Martha E.	Holland, John	14 Nov 1859	Lauderdale	MS
Martin	Maberry, Fannie	06 Nov 1879	Washington	AR
Mary	Collins, Samuel J.	27 Oct 1869	Washington	AL
Mary	Wilson, Abraham	12 June 1816	St. Tammany Par.	LA
Mary	Cooper, Joshua B.	09 Oct 1851	Pulaski	KY
Mary I.	Eskew, R.R.	04 Oct 1882	Logan	AR
Mastin C.	McCarter, Martha	20 Jan 1844	Jefferson	TN
Mattie	Heard, J.F. or T.	07 July 1871	Yazoo	MS
Mattie B.	Sorey, J. Sidney	08 Sep 1906	Nez Perce	ID
Melvina	Jones, George W.	04 July 1878	Franklin	AR
Miles	Cheyne, Frances	29 Jul 1843	Pulaski	KY
Miles	Proffett, Martha	15 Jan 1842	Jefferson	TN
Miles	Frazor, Laura	08 Dec 1883	Logan	AR
Mollie	Gatlin, James	16 Jan 1898	Wayne	MS
Nancy	Jones, Bama	1852	Hancock	GA
Nancy	Roy, William	22 Feb 1834	Pulaski	KY
Nancy	Williams, James H.	07 Jan 1840	Lawrence	AL
Nancy	Hendrix, Armstrong	13 May 1875	Washington	AR
Nancy	Emerson, Milton	26 July 1860	Pulaski	KY
Nancy	King, Jasper	1885	Randolph	AR
Nancy	Byrd, Riley	18 July 1901	Greene	MS
Nancy A.	Rainwater, Allen P.	12 Sep 1854	Lawrence	AL
Nancy C.	Benham, B.J.	20 Mar 1881	Franklin	AR
Nancy E.	Role, Jacob	11 Jun 1853	Lauderdale	MS
Nancy J.	Tatum, Francis M.	13 Jan 1887	Crawford	AR
Nannie	Jenkins, H.P.	03 Aug 1873	Washington	AR
Naomi	Freeny, Augustus	22 Sept 1850	Hancock	GA
Narcissa	Smiley, Joseph R.	02 Sep 1888	Crawford	AR
Olive D.L.	Daniel, Frank	19 Dec 1897	Cullman	AL
Paschal P.	Powers, Josephine	06 Sep 1868	Warren	IL
Patsey	Davenport, Tillman	14 Dec 1841	Pulaski	KY
Phenbe E.	Crouch, James	05 Jul 1844	Logan	KY
Rebecca	Lacy, Jas	21 Sep 1868	Muhlenberg	KY
Robert	Wyatt, Kate	23 Feb 1879	Crawford	AR
S.	Hill, Morning	01 Sep 1847	Johnson	IL
S.A., Miss	Hamblin, J.B.	11 Oct 1883	Union	MS
S.J.	Tillman, Woodbarn J.	20 Aug 1851	Carroll	MS
Sallie A.	Reese, M.H,	14 May 1879	Yazoo	MS
Sally	Weddle, Galen M.	06 July 1847	Pulaski	KY
Sarah	Fuller, Charles	27 Dec 1840	Calhoun	AL
Sarah	Black, George C.	26 Sep 1839	Carroll	MS
Sarah	Compton, Harrison A.	01 Sep 1860	Pulaski	KY
Sarah	Thomas, James W.	29 Sep 1867	Marion	MS
Sarelda	Chumblely, Alexander	06 Feb 1859	Pulaski	KY
Sciota	Elder, John L.	24 Feb 1859	Pulaski	KY
Sena	Lott, W.D.	12 Nov 1899	Greene	MS
Sessom	Hard, Elizabeth	20 Nov 1850	Johnson	IL
Sidney	McSimms, Martha	10 Oct 1843	Forsyth	GA

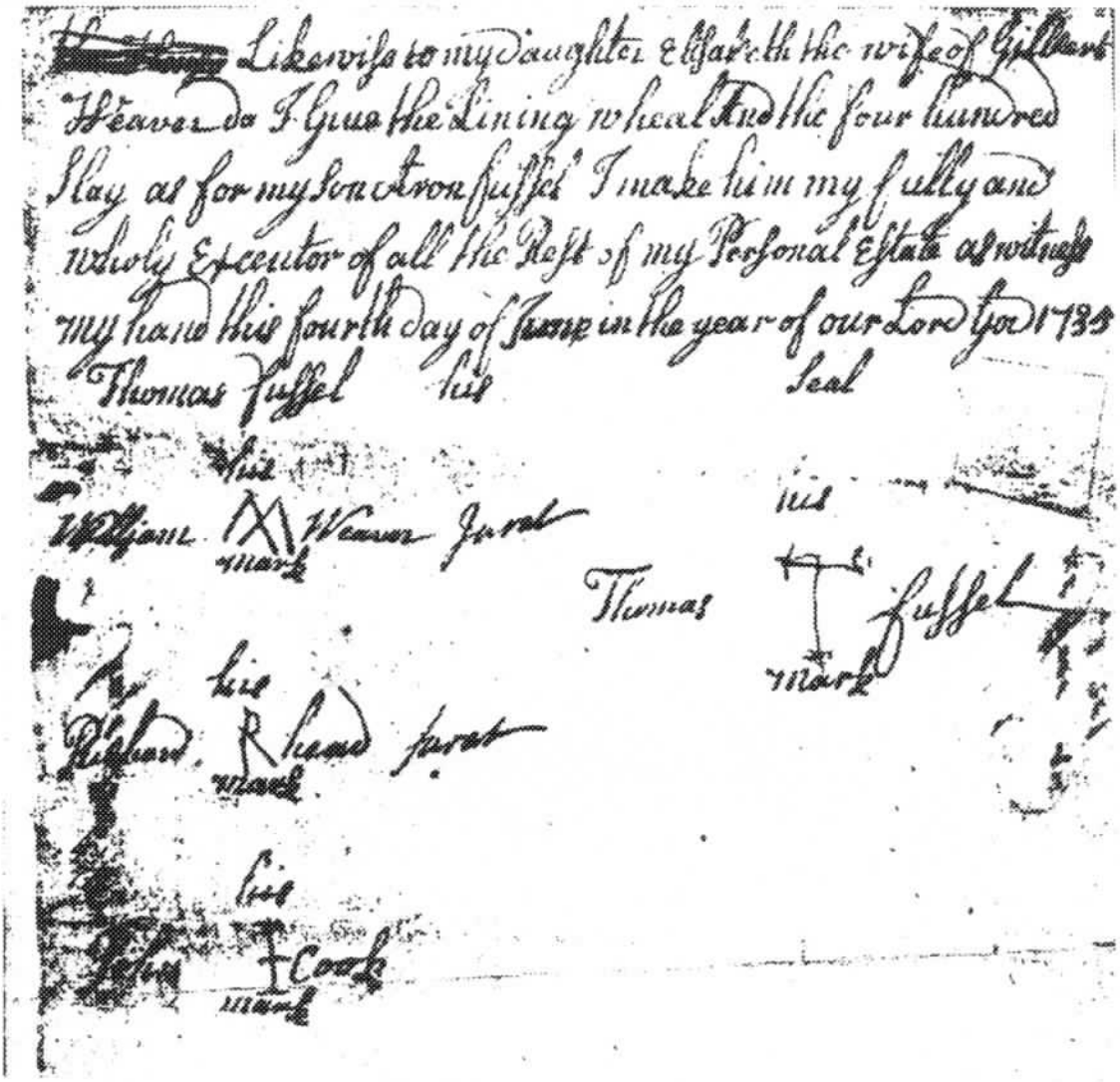
RAINWATER	Spouse	Marriage Date	County	State
Simon I	Smith, Nancy	22 Dec 1850	Hancock	GA
Solomon	Lynn, Nancy	28 Dec 1826	Upson	GA
Stanton	Tarter, Evy	10 May 1852	Wayne	KY
Stella	Bennett, Robert	20 Jun 1908	Attala	MS
Stella Rebecca	Harbison, Jeptha	05 June1901	Elko	NV
Susannah	Hainey, Thomas D.	14 Jan 1856	Pulaski	KY
Susannah	Luster, J.J.	06 /sep1855	Pulaski	KY
Syd	Carr, Bertha	22 Jun 1910	Attala	MS
T.C.	McNier, Mary	16 Dec 1875	Morehouse Parish	LA
T.M.	Thompson, Lilla	16 Jan 1845	Coweta	GA
Thaddeus W.	Marshall, Emma J.	23 Nov 1871	Taliaferro	GA
Tobe	Crenshaw, Fannie	28 Dec 1882	Grant Parish	LA
Tommie	Campbelle, Lizzie	14 Jan 1905	Lincoln	MS
Tommie, Mrs.	Slemming, W.M.	22 May 1906	Logan	AR
V.J.	Johnson, J.F.	31 Jan 1882	Logan	AR
Violet	Bowen, John W.	10 Dec 1875	Dallas	TX
W. H.	Henderson, S.J. Miss	16 Nov 1878	Tarrant	TX
W. T.	Wright, Asthenath	16 Jun 1856	Greene	GA
W.R.	Hudnal, Emeline	20 Jan 1868	Copiah	MS
W.R.	Arnold, Mary	14 Oct 1891	Franklin	MS
W.R.	Arnold, Mary	17 Feb 1904	Lincoln	MS
Welcome Giles	Emmerson, Sarah	19 Sept 1861	Pulaski	KY
Wesley H.	Hendricks, Amanda	29 Jan 1842	Winston	MS
William	Hodge, Nancy	02 Oct 1831	Casey	KY
William	Reaves, Molley	16 Nov 1787	Johnson	NC
William	Previt, Sarah	26 Dec 1861	Fulton	GA
William	Mayberry, Mattie	27 Sep 1875	Washington	AR
William	Baines, Batheney	29 Dec 1859	Clarke	MS
William	Wagner, Mary	26 Apr 1877	Muhlenberg	KY
William	Farmer, Sidney	05 Mar 1843	Lauderdale	MS
William G.	Botton, Martha	21 Sep 1848	Mobil	AL
William H.	Rabern, Frances	04 May 1838	Pulaski	KY
William H.	King, Jenette W.	17 July 1878	Franklin Parish	LA
William H.	Bailey, Miss M.A.	10 Aug 1836	Copiah	MS
William H.	Russell, Nancy Jane	29 Oct 1851	Pulaski	KY
William R.	Weger, Catharine	19 Aug 1877	Franklin	AR
William W.	McDaniel, Rebecca J	22 May 1850	Robertson	TN

NOTE:

It is extremely important that when finding data in this form which has been submitted from just about anyone with who knows what level of exactness to the Family Tree Maker or any organization for compilation onto CD, that you actually attempt to verify the data before putting it in your records as the gospel truth. If you cannot find the record, I would suspect that someone has pulled it from the imagination and put it down on paper, just like many of our earlier Rainwater researchers of the long past!!!

"An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure" or less eloquently put, "Garbage In. Garbage Out"!!! We can only be proud of our family tree if it isn't an imaginary one, or at least most of us cannot, I should say. There are some out there who have all of their lines back to Adam and Eve. Wow!!! I just want to know after the Genesis book's "begats" genealogy section, who has those people's family bibles. Bet they are worth a lot. [sarcastic remark. humor intended]

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Fussel of
the Parish of Cartee in North carolinah being Somewhat
sick in body but of a Sound perfect disposeing mind and
memory thanks be to Almighty God for the Same and
calling to mind the uncertain State of this transotary life
and that all flesh must yeild unto death when it Shall pleas
God to call do make and order in this my last will and testament
in manner following first of all I commend my Soul into the
hands of almighty God hoping through the merits of my only
Saviour Jesus Christ to have full Remission of all my sins
and to inherit Eternal life and as to my body I commit to the
[illegible] from whence it came to decently entred at the discretion
[illegible] hereafter named and as for my temporal
[illegible] wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me I give and
dispose of in manner following viz in the first place I do
give or bequath unto my eldest daughter Elisabeth
the wife of Gilbert Weaver Six hogs Likewise to my
daughter mary the wife of John Rainwater Six hogs
more also to my daughter martha the wife of John [illegible]
other Six hogs more and to my daughter Ann I do bequath
ten hogs Likewise to my daughter Sarah other ten hogs
more Likewise to my daughter Ann I bequeath the Gray
called Shaver and the Gray horse called Squrill to my
daughter Sarah also to my dayghter Ann I give the
[illegible] wheal two cows two Earlings one dish one bason one
[illegible] hundred Slag Likewise to my daughter Sarah I give two
[illegible] two Earlings one dish the pot and cotten Cards [illegible]
[illegible] two blankits belonging to the [illegible]


Likewise to my daughter Elisabeth the wife of Gilbert
Weaver do I Give the Lining wheal And the four hundred
Slay as for my Son Aron fussel I make him my fully and
wholy Executor of all the Rest of my Personal Estate as witness
my hand this fourth day of June in the year of our Lord God 1735
Thomas fussel his Seal
his
William Weaver Jurat
mark
his
Thomas fussel
mark
his
Richard head Jurat
mark
his
John Cook
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Will of Thomas Fussell

Thanks go to Lyle Rainwater of Ventura, CA for sending me this copy of the Last Will and Testament of Thomas Fussell, father of Mary Fussell who was married to John Rainwater. Although the parish records of VA do not list Mary's birth record, this Will is in fact the proof that is available to establish with certainty that Mary was in fact a Fussell and we didn't just get it from someone who got it from someone else who got it from someone else, who made it up<G>!

In the next issue I will print a transcription for everyone. There was not enough space in this issue. The copy I received was a photocopy of a negative (black background and white lettering) and I scanned it, inverted the color scheme and then used my graphics programs to clean it up a bit. After quite some time and a sore neck and eyes, I gave up! It is mostly readable now though except for some places that are even hard to

Online Rainwater Discussion Group

Our very own Debbie Rainwater Anderson is hosting an emailed Discussion Group to pass along queries and information to those interested in keeping UP TO THE MINUTE on their Rainwater Research and keep informed of the newest data out there. Contact her at her email address at:

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if you wish to participate. I have included the most recent edition of the Discussion Group for all to see. PLEASE let anyone that uses this and the query page know that we would appreciate their enthusiasm at USING our GREAT research tools, by becoming

MEMBERS!!!!

Too many cheapskates can spoil the pot!!!<G>

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To unsubscribe, please hit "reply" and put the words "unsubscribe" in the subject.

Unlike those awful mass emailers, I WILL take you off the list if you desire.

Our purpose is to share our questions, queries, information we have recently found and offers to do lookups. If you have CD's or books and are willing to do lookups, please email me and I will make sure that we get the word out. I am hoping that by all of us sharing the resources we have, we will make it easier for us all to trace our family tree.

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Please start by introducing your lines of research! I get questions all the time about certain RAINWATERS. But if I don't know who you are researching, it is impossible for me to forward specific people or questions to you to make sure you see the query. I try to post them all, but I get rejections for full mail boxes and various other things. Sometimes it is difficult to determine if I have a wrong address or a server had a problem. PLEASE send me a family group sheet or the specific RAINWATERS you are researching! Then I can make sure you see an email which effects your lines.

-- I only want to help, so Help Me, Help You...(Jerry McGuire,...the movie)

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USGS Mapping Info: GNIS Data Base Query..
http://mapping.usgs.gov/www/gnis/gnisform.html

Well, if you have ever had to look up a town, lake, county, mill, river, stream, or anything else on the face of our 50 states, then you probably could have used the above url.

This is the connection to the United States Geological Survey. You can query for places no longer in existance and find locations of places, cemeteries or about anything else you need to know a location for. This server can be busy, so be patient. It is well worth the wait!

It also provides maps of the areas on screen and is completely free! (Our tax dollars at work). The people there are wonderful and have been of incredible help. Take some time to acquaint yourself with the "keywords" you need to find things. For example if searching for a city or town or township the

"Feature Type" is ppl=populated place. If you don't know this, next to "Feature Type" is a help button, you simply look it up.

Good Luck!
I would also LOVE to hear of sites you use to look up information or post queries! We all need the help and 130 pairs of eyes looking for things is lots better than 1!
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#1
Subj: Elizabeth Rainwater
From: CarolBrew

I have Elizabeth Rainwater born ca 1800 GA. She married Silas Chapman (no date or place),
they were in St Tammany parish LA before 1850 and in Jasper Co TX 1850 and 1860. She died there.
Does anyone know anything about Elizabeth, who are her parents and siblings?
Thanks!
CarolBrew@aol.com

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#2
Subj: Rainwater who married a Harris
From: DDDHal

Hello, my name is Dana Bozarth from TX and I am trying to find a Rainwater who married a Harris.
They had a son William C. b. 1818 prob in KY who m. Margaret Kifer; and sons John, James and possibly Jones. I got this far through the Kifer line. Need lots of help.
Thanks!
DDDHal@aol.com
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#3
Subj: RAINWATER Re: David Samuel Ware
To: DKRAINH20A Willing to do lookups for the following:

The book has quite a bit on the RAINWATERS when

Nancy Miles (fourth child of Sarah Farrow and Thomas Miles)
b. 9 Nov 1788
d. 21 Aug 1855
m. Rev. Miles Rainwater
b. 7 Nov 1787
d. 5 July 1826, Chester Co., SC

Vashti (Rainwater) Crossley (sixth child of Miles Rainwater and Nancy Miles)
b. 27 Mar 1819, SC
d. 12 Apr 1903, Montgomery Co., MS
m. SC to David J. Crossley
b. circa 1819 (whose mother was _____Bobo)

The book goes on to list the following,index on pages 420 and 421. If any sound promising let me know, The names are: Amelia "Milly", Benjamin, Burrell, Howard (Rev.), James, James (Rev), Jane Am anda, John, John - 1st., Levi, Mariah, Mary, Mary Jane, Miles - 2nd, Miles (Rev), Nancy, Nancy (Miles) not a duplicate of the previous Nancy, Robert, Sarah, Silas Mercer, Vashti and lastly, Wiley.

Other names linked to this line include, FARROW, WATERS, CROSSLEY, LEE :) Of the LEEs mentioned there is: Crocker, Helen Louise (Garrett), John Henry, Judith Carolyn, Linda Louise, Margaret Karen (Crocker), Mee Ja, Miranda (Morse), Preston Hugh, Preston Hugh III and lastly, Preston Hugh, Jr.

Women in the Rainwater family may be eligible to join the DAR through Rosanah Waters Farrow who was my gggggggrandmother and a Rev. War heroine. She rode on horseback 2 days without rest to ransom 3 of her sons from the British with six British Soldiers. They had been sentenced to hang at sunrise, and she got there within minutes of their execution. Her twin brother Philemon Waters was in the service of George Washington and fired the first shot at the battle of the Great Meadows, which was the first battle in which Washington commanded troops.

The RAINWATERS are often thought to be American Indian, but not so. More likely German (Reinwatter). The only Indian in my line was Hiawassee Campbell whose father was a fur trader (many many moons ago - of course :). But she was interesting in her own right.

The LEEs entered this line when Helen Louise Garrett was married 25 Aug 1940 at Greenville, Washington County, Mississipi, to Preston Hugh Lee. He was born 11 March 1917 at Greenville Washington County, MS and was the son of John Henry Lee and his wife, Miranda (Morse) Lee. They had 2 daughters and one son.

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The above information was provided by Cindy at CDykes4697@aol.com through a referral from [BothusLee@aol.com]. Thanks a million to both of them for providing this information to me so the members can get lookups!
Debbie Rainwater Anderson
dkrainh20a@aol.com
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#4
Re: George Wilburn Rainwater / Mary Ida Rainwater

My name is Roger Kimzey. I was given your address as a potential source for information concerning the Rainwater side of my family. My maternal great-grandmother was Mary Ida Rainwater, born 9/28/1867 in Carrol Country, GA to George Wilburn Rainwater and Nancy Ann Parrish.

Thank you in advance,
Roger
Kimzey@Fishnet.net
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#5
Re: John Rainwater - Edgecomb NC 1748
Subj: RAINWATER
From: BULLDOG38@prodigy.net (BULLDOG38)

In a 1748 deed relating to the John CARPENTER in Edgecombe Co., NC whom I am researching, a John RAINWATER is mentioned. Also mentioned are William Reeves and Hardy (wife), William GREEN, Jr., Joseph CRENSHAW, Sharwood GRIMSLEY, and John GRIMSLEY. Would appreciate anything you can tell me about your RAINWATER line. What surnames were associated with them in the 1700s and earlier? What was their migration route? Anything would be appreciated. I also research the Cloud/Rainwater connection. Any info appreciated! Thanks,

Ken
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#6
Subj: Lookups for Rainwaters & the Rev. War & Others....

Debbie,
The book is: *DESENDANTS AND RELATED FAMILIES OF DAVID SAMUEL WARE AND AMANDA ROSELEE CHESTEEN WARE* written by Sarah Hattie Hazel Delgado (first edition copyright 1985 Channel Islands Beach, California 93030) Library of Congress Catalog Card Number: 85-71327 and published by The Anundsen Publishing Co. 108 Washington Street, Decorah, Iowa 52101

Sarah is my cousin (can you tell I'm proud?). I would also be glad to do look ups for anyone needing them, so please feel free to let anyone interested know. Also, for anyone interested in researching relatives who may have fought at the Cowpens in the Rev. War, I have the book *The Patriots at the Cowpens* which lists all those who fought there and gives short bios, some with spouses, birth and death dates.

I would consider it a pleasure!

Best Wishes
Cindy

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