

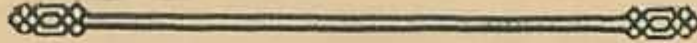
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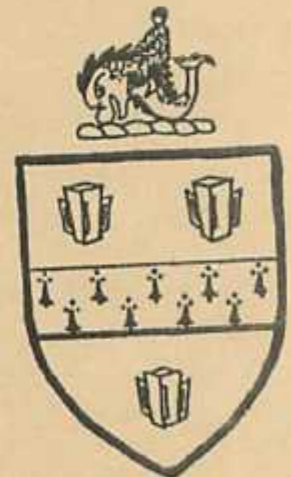
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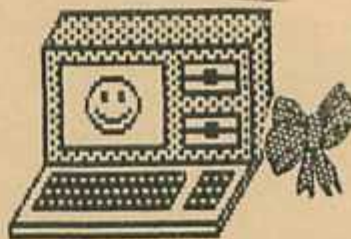


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Dear Cousins,

It has been a real pleasure to read your lineage charts. I do appreciate the extra effort that it has taken on your part to fill these out. Keeping in mind that everyone's research is important whether you have three generations or ten. Each entry is important to the whole. This is going to be an important tool in providing help to new subscribers and in printing our list of genealogist in December. If you have not returned your four generation chart, please do it soon so we can list you with the proper ancestors.



Jeff Coffey of San Antonio will need your help in preparing for the 1992 convention. In 1984, at our first convention, it was decided not to form a dues paying family association. Therefore we have no funds to use for deposits. Jeff will need to receive some funds early to use as deposits on the San Antonio river barge dinner (\$23.) and the sightseeing tour (\$12.). I'm sure that if something happened that you could not go later, Jeff would try to sell your seat to someone else who would wish to be added at the last minute. We usually get some late takers. If you plan to attend, get your money in early. It will be appreciated.

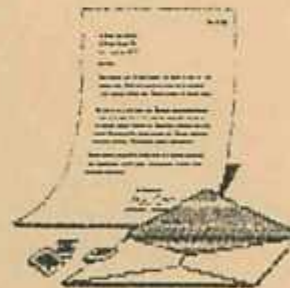
I've been very busy this quarter. Just look at the long list of new subscribers. Isn't it wonderful! All those new researchers, with records that will add to our family genealogies. We do hope that they get lots of help from the established researchers who recognize them as members of their lines. As usual they will appreciate your help.

Your Cousin,

Bonnie

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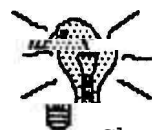
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WELCOME OUR NEW COUSINS

AND THEIR ANCESTORS

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Margaret Ruth Cutler PO Box 75, Pana, IL 62557	



MEET OUR NEW COUSINS

Elsa Ramsey descends from Joel Coffey son of Cassell Coffey. She would **like** to hear from others working on **this line**.

St. Clair Harpers' ancestors are. D Matilda Jane (Wolfe) Harper: 2) **Elijah** H. & Rachel (LeGear) Wolf: 3) **William** and Maleta (**Hlpshire**) Wolf: her parents. 4) John and Myra (Coffey) Hlpshlre. daughter of George and Margaret (Rucker) **Coffey**, son of Benjamin Coffey. His wife, Shirley writes that they would **like** to hear from someone working on the George Coffey (1781 -) line.

Jeanette Lewie descends from Frances Cordelia Heart Clementine Coffee who was born Aug 5/9, 1856 **in** Lexington KY. Jeanette **is** hoping some of the cousins can at least suggest what line she should be researching for Coffee's **in this** area. She says that she **is** looking forward to getting to know her Coffee cousins better.

Myra Terrell descends from Peter Coffee who **died** **in** Prince Edward Co. VA ca 1771. Myra great-great-great grandmother was Elizabeth Coffee daughter of Thomas Graves and Mary (Knight) Coffee. Her cousin Patsy Hyatt Smart **is** the researcher **in** her family.

Marcia Morgan **is** a descendent of Lewis M. Coffey and was **introduced** to us by Fran and Bess Coffev of Tucson Arizona.

Dr. Robert T. Coffey **is** the son of J. Askew Coffey and they descend from Robert Walker and **Florrie** Lee (Askew) Coffey, son of Harrison H. and Martha Elizabeth (Lambert) Coffey, son of Hugh and Margaret (Walker) Coffev. Hugh was born April 9, 1784 South Carolina and died May 7. 1861. Margaret (Walker) Coffey was born Oct. 1. 1789 NC and died Nov. 4, **1854**. Lafayette Co. MS. (Now we know where the name Askew came from.)

Jean B. Robinson is the editor of the THE RUCKER SOCIETY NEWSLETTER and the granddaughter of **Sudie** Rucker **Wood**, author of THE RUCKER FAMILY GENEALOGY, 1932. Jean **is** planning to update her grandmothers book and **is in** the process of compiling the descendants of Peter(3) Rucker (Thomas 2, Peter 1) and **his** son Colby (4) Rucker. Two of Colby's daughters married into the Coffey family. She wants to communicate with any descendants of John and Elizabeth (Rucker) Coffey and George and Margaret (Rucker) Coffey, both daughters of Colby **Rucker** of **Grainger** Co. TN. **Actually** I'm sure she would appreciate anything that you may have to offer to further the Rucker genealogy. Her address is **in** the "New **Cousins**" **section**.

Lloyd E. Kerns father is Hubert F. Kerns son of George and **Permella** (Coffey) Kerns, daughter of Quintis and Francis Ann (Blakey) Coffey (**1844-1914**), son of Joel and **Permella** (Heynes) Coffey. Joel was b. 1819 & m. 31 July, 1836 to Permella Haynes. They had children Marthe (**1838**). Logen (**ca.1843**) and **Qulntis** (1844). Joel married second to Mary and had children Baxter and John. Joel **is** the son of James Coffey b. **1780**, resident of Russell Co. KY. and **his wife Cella** b. 1780 North Carolina. Their children are Elizabeth (1797-1860). **Cely** (1802-1857). **Wilbourn**. Joel (1819-). Cyntha who married G. W. Southerland. Lloyd would appreciate hearing from any of the cousins that has any information on this line. Note his address in the New Cousins section.

Jon Czarowitz descends from two Coffey lines and is interested in how they are related. He ancestor Eli Coffey b. 8 May 1775 Wilkes Co. NC married Polly Ann Coffey b. 7 Dec 1785. She is the granddaughter of Joel L. Coffey b. 1730, VA. While he has Polly Ann Coffey's line rather well documented, he still needs information on Eli Coffey's line. (There has been a lot of queries for this information lately. Can we publish what has been documented??)

Jo Ann Hatch is a descendant of the Elizabeth Coffee who married Joseph Warren Beddoe in Chatooga Co. GA on June 10. 1841. There is more on this line in a later section.

Jerry O Watley of Cassville MO says that he is looking for information about Theodore C. Coffey who lived in Springfield, Ill. in 1905 - 06. Also his son. Roy V. Coffey, who lived in Springfield and later moved to St. Louis, MO. Can some of the descendants Thomas Coffey help him with the information on this line? Your assistance will be appreciated.

Margaret Ruth Cutler is a granddaughter of Theodore C. Coffey listed above. She is working with Jerry Watley on this line.



THE MAILBOX

Mary Lou Drew is researching the line of John Penn. He married Lindsey Coffee of Oklahoma. Mary Lou wishes to correspond with someone who has information on Lindsey Coffee's lineage. Her address is 4824 Waterman Rd., Vassar. MI 48768.

Sara Holland says that she was sorry to have to miss the Boone gathering but she had to have some surgery. She is going to try for San Antonio. We hope she is better and looking forward to seeing her.

In Jon Czarowitz letter he says that "If the other Texas Coffey reunions respond as well to the CCC 1992 Convention news as they did at the Salathiel Coffey reunion, half of Texas may be there in San Antonio." He was aware of no less than four Coffey reunions in Texas in 1991. We thank Jon for letting the Salathiel Coffey clan know of our convention plans.

Michelle Jones wishes to know if the THE WAGONWHEEL by Russell Marshall is still being published. It covered the Adams, Coffey, Hayes, Dalton and Rucker families and Michelle says that she descends from at least two of the above. I have not heard of the Wagonwheel for a very long time now but possibly some one else knows what happened to it and can answer Michelle's question.

Howard Hillis has sent me a copy of his book COFFEE. FREELAND AND ALLIED FAMILIES. (This is the Nathaniel and Anthony Coffee line.) He says the records of the early Coffees were destroyed in a court house fire in the early 1800's which is a shame. He spent a great deal of time finding what he has. He hopes that the book will help to us and others doing Coffee research. His priority in publishing his book was to preserve the families record. Thanks Mr. Hillis.



Cousin of the Month

Annette Coffey wrote that she had just returned from Boone N.C. and had met Jack Q. Williams who told her about C.C.C. We understand that Jack shared his research with Annette for which we are grateful. We also thank him for introducing Annette to C.C.C.

DEAD END ROADS

Mark Vincent of 37 Flintwood Dr., Little Rock AR 72207 writes that he is searching for the origins of his great grandfather Thomas Coffey who was born in County Sligo, Ireland about 1835. He came to the U.S. in the early 1850's probably by way of Liverpool, England. He lived in New Jersey, Utica, New York and Baraboo, Wisconsin before moving to St. Thomas Ontario Canada in 1873. He had a niece, Sarah Coffey Haney who also lived in St. Thomas. He married Mary Coyne about April 1869 and had three children - Joseph, Mary and Robert. Mark would greatly appreciate any leads as to parents, brothers, sisters, dates or about Mary Coyne.

Wayne Trout says that perhaps another cousin may be able to help him with the Graves line. Wayne says "a couple of sources I have believes James Graves to be the father of John, but Marvin Coffey, listed in an addenda sheet with his book 'JAMES B COFFEY. VOL II: ANCESTORS', that Kenneth Graves of Wrentham, MA is writing a book on the Descendants of Capt. Thomas Graves. He says that Capt. Thomas' son Francis Graves Sr. (b. ca.1630, d. 1691) was the father of John Graves by a first marriage to Jane Maguffey in 1678. He further states that James Graves was a son of John (not his father)." We wish to quote Marvin Coffey's addenda further: "If true this changes my account considerably. As yet I have seen no documentation for this." If anyone has further information on this lineage (documentation) please let us hear from you. (Wayne and C.C.C.)

Cynthia G. Merrill has just started researching her great grandmother, Nancy Caroline Coffee. So far she has no luck finding anything about her parents or siblings. Her death certificate information was given by a grandson and had nothing on it about her parents. What Cynthia does know is that Nancy Caroline Coffee was born July 23, 1825 in Tennessee. She met her husband John Hall Todd while visiting her sister in Missouri. They were married March 3, 1845 at the Clarksville, MO home of John Davis whom she assumes was the sister's husband. Nancy Caroline and her husband lived in Louisiana, MO. They had twelve children. According to the census records her father was born in Virginia, and her mother in North Carolina. At her death Jan 1, 1915 (she was 90) it states that she lived for a number of years with her daughter 8. son-in-law Adelaide (Todd) & William Heron in Chattanooga, TN. but she was buried in Louisiana, MO. If anyone recognizes this family, Cynthia's address is 11722 Talofa Dr., Redding CA 96003.

Terry Madden 706 Terrace Dr. Redding CA 96002, is descended from Anna Coffey born Feb. 10, 1832 who is a descendent of Lewis Russell Coffey of Wayne Co. KY. She would like to correspond with others working on this line.

Jo Ann Hatch offers these Coffee Family Notes **in** her request for help **with** this **lineage**. "On June 10, 1841 **Elizabeth** Coffee married Joseph Warren Beddoe in Chattooga Co. GA. In the 1850 Chattooga Co. census. Elizabeth Coffee Beddoe, with her two sons (8 and 5), were living with **William** B. Coffee and **wife** Delia. Joseph Beddoe did not appear on **this** census. Elizabeth and two sons born GA. Other records in Chattooga Co. GA show that on 5 Oct. 1848. Richardson Coffee and Sarah Greathouse were married there. We **believe this** **Richardson**, who **later** appears **in** Texas **with** the Beddoes, was a brother of Elizabeth Coffee Beddoe. Richardson and Elizabeth are of an age to be brother & **sister**, she was 24 and he 28 in the 1850 census. William B. Coffee (50 b. SC) and Delia (45 b. SC) are probably their parents. Others Coffees **living** in the household **in** 1850 were Jane (21), John (18) and Thursa M. (16). There **is** also a Plnckney Lingo (19). Old **William** Coffee also appears on the 1840 Chattooga Co. GA census. Land records reveal **him selling** 320 A. for \$1600. **in** 1851. **This** was about the **time** the Coffee **family** moved to Texas, because **in** 1860 they appear in the Parker Co. TX census and are the only Coffees in the county. In 1860 the household consist of Wm. Coffee age 60, **wife** D. Coffee. age 53 and J. Coffee age 25. In 1860 Richard (Richardson) Coffee **is** **in** Brown Co. TX. which is close to Parker. In a history of Coleman Co. it states that Richard came to Coleman Co from Parker Co. **in** about 1862. **In** the 1870 Coleman Co TX census we **find** Richard 8, Sarah **with** four **children**, all born **in** TX: John (15). **William** (13). **Bell** (11) and Richard (6). There **is** no further reference to Elizabeth Coffee Beddoe but two sons appear in the 1870 **Colman** Co. census and in the newspaper. THE CONCHO HERALD 6 Oct. 1911, a story told by an old time ot Concho Co. Mr. **Harrison**, and we quote: "Mrs. Fogg Coffee told me that one of the Bedow boys, a nephew of Mr. **Rich Coffee**, was **killed** by the Indians and was buried at the old rock house in Coffee Settlement". . . . This reference to the Beddoe brothers being nephews of **Rich** Coffee give further weight to the opinion that Richard Coffee and Elizabeth Coffee Beddoe were brother and sister. Jo Ann says that she has corresponded **with** Inez Cates Ward of San **Angelo** TX and Mrs. Ola Foster of Bountiful. UT and thinks that Richard **is** the son of James and Delilah Ferguson Coffee. Can anyone help Jo Ann with **this**? Her address is **in** the new cousin **list**.

Charles Moreland would **like** to know if anyone has proven the maiden name of Johanna Graves wife of John Graves (**d.1720**). Can anyone prove who the parents of John Graves are? Charles also wants to know **if** anyone else has any **information** on the origin of Sarah Scott. He says **that** Kathryn Johnson has given **him** the information that **his** Naomi **Hayes**, **wife** of Reuben Coffey Jr. (1772-1851). **is** the daughter of Thomas Hayes Sr. and grand daughter of George and Sarah (Dyer) Hayes. Charles address **is** 15508 Saranac Dr.. **Whittier**, CA 90604.

Annette Coffey wants to know where **Elijah** Coffey 1788 - 1865 **with wife** Polly **Hull** went to in Georgia from North **Carolina**. **Elijah** was the son of Thomas Coffey 1742 - 1825 and his second wife Sarah Fields. **All** of the books that she has seen simply say that they moved to Georgia. Annette descends from Elijah through Alphonso Coffey b. 1831 in NC or GA. She would really appreciate any help. Her address **is** 9202 **Westwind Ct.. Dallas**, TX 75231.

Norman & **Charline** Shockley write that **they** are **still** looking for the parentage of Marvel Coffey who married Rachel Boone. They would like to hear from others working on this **line**. Their address **is** 757 Escalona Dr. Santa Cruz. **CA95060**.

Jean Brozek of 11709 Price Drive, Oklahoma City, OK 73170, is looking for help with her Coffee lineage. Her great grandfather was George Coffee of Spring Grove, TN. born 1838. He died and was buried on some family plot in Missouri enroute to Oklahoma. He married a Quaker woman named Louiza and they owned one female slave. Jean's grandfather was James Finley Coffee born 1859 in Spring Grove, Maurey Co. TN. He died in 1898 in Duncan, Oklahoma Territory while working for the Rock Island railroad. He died of pneumonia and is buried in Duncan. Jean's mother was Lela Ann Coffee who married Hiram Robert Bartlett. Jean would appreciate corresponding with any one having information on her line.

James M. Coffey, Jr. is still looking for parents of Jesse S. Coffey, born 19 July 1799 in North Carolina. He married Wmnlfred Crumpton 22 Dec. 1821 in Wilkes Co. N.C. Also Elizabeth Coffey is an ancestor. All he knows about her is that she is the sister of Thomas Coffey and that she married Thomas Fields (he died 1807 Wilkes Co). He does not know when or where she was born or died. If any one has information on either of these James would appreciate hearing from you. His address is 5691 Mill Trace Dr.. Atlanta. GA 30338 and phone: 404-394-9457.

Margaret Lay says that she could still use some help on the Chesley and Jane (Cleveland) Coffey Sr. line. She would also like any information anyone finds about the McClain and Noel families. Tennessee. Kentucky and South Carolina. "Of course she will gladly share information". Her address is 3405 W. Fuller Ave. Ft. Worth. TX 76133.



COFFEE/Y BOOKS

Gene Brewlnton has sent a list of all the Coffee/y books known to him. We know it is not all inclusive, but it is the ones that he and I know of at this time. An asterisks marks the books that he has printed or reprinted. They are available from him for \$10.00 plus postage and handling. These books can be invaluable to any Coffee/y genealogist. Gene's address is 4728 NW 59th Terrace, Oklahoma City, OK 73122-7512.

* Thomas Coffey ft. His Descendants, by Dr. Laurence H. Coffey, 1931, an exact facsimile reprint of the original with an added index, reprinted 1981, 123 pages. Well researched but lacks dates.

* Hugh Coffey & His Descendants, by Gene Brewlnton, 1986, 69 pages, index. This is the Hugh Coffey (1784-1861) and his wife, Margaret (Walker) Coffey (1789-1854). who went from North Carolina to Mississippi.

* The Coffey Clan from 1690, by Frank R. Moore, printed 1969, reprinted 1986, indexed, 94 pages. Basically a history and lineage of Achilles Coffey and his descendent James A Coffey, founder of Coffeyville. Kansas.

* Peter Coffee & His Descendants by Gene Brewlnton, 1981, 125 pages, index. This is the line of General John Coffee.

* Edmund A. Coffey and Some of His Descendants Gene **Brewington**, 1979. 86 pages, **Index**. The descendants of Thomas A Coffey (1843-1917), the eighth child of Edmund A Coffey. Georgia to Alabama, to East Texas and **Oklahoma**. Pictures and addresses of **this** branch.

* Descendants of Peter & Susannah Coffee by J.J. Haley & Minnie O. Bulls. 1963. **Index**. Descendants of Peter and Susanah Coffee in the Thomas Graves Coffee and Mary Knight Coffee **line**.

* Descendants of Salathiel Coffey by W.T. 8. **Pearl** Dungan, **McKinney**, TX 1961. Reprinted 1991, 47 pages + 19 pages of **Index**. Salathiel Coffey to John Coffey (1621).

* The Coffee -Coffey - Cofey Family by Edythe Whitley, **63** pages **with** **Index**. This Hugh Coffey from Virginia to Mississippi. **Intermarried** with the Reeds. Cites much primary source material.

James B. Coffey. Vol.11: **Ancestors**. by Marvin D, **Coffey**, 1018 Clay St.. Ashland, OR. 97520, 227 **pages**, **Indexed**. Edward Coffey (1699-1716) and **allied families**. **Primarily** for James B. Coffey **family** but covers most of the other Coffey lines in early America. **Excellent bibliography**. Gene says "probably the best Coffee/y book ever published".

Lizzie's Legacy & Our Coffey Cousins, by Bennie **Loftin**, P. O. Box 160, **Kiowa**, OK 74553. In the process of being reprinted in the near future. Descendants of Benjamin Coffey (1808-1867).

The Coffeys of Wayne County, by Jacqueline Coffey Sexton, **R.R.2**, Box 234-B, **Monticello**, KY 42533. 148 pages **plus** **Index**. Edward (1699) thru Lewis **Russell** and Reuben Coffey. Excellent coverage of the Wayne Co KY **branch**.

Coffey **Genealogy 3** and Coffey Genealogy 2: addendum 2 by A. Cuffez. Pr. **Stefanleplein**, **31**, 8400 **Oostende**, Belgium. Hopefully to be reprinted soon. The original of Coffey **Genealogy 2** was 527 pages + 77 page addendum. A voluminous work on the broad **Coffey/Coffee family**. Lots of **documentation**.

Journal of a Journey by **Walker** J. Coffey. 1306 S. Lamar, Oxford, MS **38655**. 148 **pages**, **Indexed**. Hugh Coffey (1784-1861) thru Walker Jackson Coffey. Narrative style of a Journey from South Carolina to Mississippi. Wealth of data on **this line**.

A Branch of The Coffey Tree by **Paul** L. Crane 180 Blueberry Lane, W. Lafayette, **IN**. 47906, published 1976, 78 pages. Edward. John, Reuben. William H.. Silas, Kennedy, to Levi Tipton.

A Reed Family in America **Forrest F. Reed**, 1962, pub. by Tennessee Book Co.. Nashville. TN. About 20 pages of Hugh Coffey (1700-1767) and his descendants. Researched by Edythe **Whitley**, **genealogist-historian**, Nashville. This Hugh went to VA, as a young man. **his** descendants to Itawamba Co. MS. A different Hugh Coffey from the one in Walker Coffey's and Gene **Brewington's** Hugh Coffey books.

Coffee, Free and Allied Families by E. Howard **Hillis**. P.O. Box 5. Madras. OR 97741. Pub. 1981. **with supplement**, 97 pages, **Index**. **Nathaniel**, Anthony, John, Nathaniel (1798). Originally from New York State.

Ancestors and Descendants of James Milton Crisp (1834-1925) by Orville B. Hoy, pub. by Ancestor Publishers, P.O. Box 682, Arvada, CO. 80001. Thomas Coffey (1742) thru Cassandra (1800) who married James Crisp. North Carolina and Indiana.

The Coffey Family Tree by Tom Coffey 1949, mailed to CCC by an anonymous donor. We will check any information. Deals with descendants of James Thomas Coffey b. Mar 15, 1840 Galloway Co. Ireland and his siblings Michale, Patrick, Ellen and Mary.

(unpublished)The Coffey Family of Clinton Co. PA Wm. Coffey Sr.
 (unpublished)The Cheslev Coffey Family Timothy Peterman 1981
 (unpublished)Lewis M. Coffey and His Pioneer Family by Leonald M. Coffey

* 10,000 Coffeys by Gene Brewington, 1987. 138 pages of names and addresses of thousands of those with the Coffey name, all across the U.S. There is no genealogical information included.



DOCUMENTS GALORE

ATTENTION ALL RESEARCHERS OF THE
EDWARD COFFEY LINE

It has come to our attention that some of us still carry John Coffey and wife Mary Jolliffe or Rebecca Ireland as parents for Edward Coffey. Some have dropped this lineage after reading Marvin Coffey's book JAMES B COFFEY. VOL. II: ANCESTORS. Marvin and I discussed the issue. He approved the use of the following portion of his book dealing with the parentage of Edward Coffey. We wish to ask for your help. If anyone has any **documentation** to prove the existence of John Coffey or his marriage to either of the ladies **commonly listed** as his wife, please let us hear from you.

Chapter 3
 THE EARLY COFFEY
 ANCESTORS IN AMERICA

Anyone who has been associated with the Coffey family history for sometime will tell you that the first known Coffey to come to America was John Coffee who came to Elizabeth City county, Virginia in 1637 as an indentured servant, the patentee being Nicholas Hill (1). However, Greer made a mistake in copying his name from the Virginia land patents, a mistake that was picked up by Nugent (2) when she compiled her books (2) on these land patents. She records his name as "John Coffin or Scoffin." In order to rectify the discrepancy I went to the original records and found that Nugent had made a correct copy: the name is given as Coffin at first and then at the end the name is repeated but appears to have an old style "s" in front of it so as to make it Scoffin. At any rate, it is not Coffee or Coffey. It may be that Greer assumed Coffin was meant to be Coffee, However, Coffin is an entirely separate name, dating from early times, and perhaps more common than the name Coffey in America.

It seems rather ironic when we consider that Coffey genealogists have for years accepted John Coffee as the earliest Coffey in America, some even making him the ancestor of Edward Coffey of Essex county and

giving him one or two wives, either Mary Jolliffe and/or Rebecca Ireland. I have never seen any records that could document the above marriages or individuals. A William Ireland does appear in York county Virginia records, 1633-48. The earliest Jolliffe I have found was a John (2) in Mansemond and Island of Wright counties in 1653.

Many people have proposed, as mentioned above, that this fictional John Coffey was the grandfather, or even the father, of Edward Coffey. Others have Edward coming directly from Ireland in about 1680 or 1690. Thus some have postulated that he was born anywhere from 1650 to 1680. This all appears to be speculation as I have yet to see a single record indicating one possibility or the other. The first record of Edward Coffey in Virginia appears to be the will of Edward Mosely, dated January 6, 1699 in which he gives to his "servant Ed. Coffe one heifer of 2 years old." The will was proved in Essex county court April 16, 1700 and on September 10 of that year Edward Coffey received a judgment (4) from the Mosely estate for his freedom, corn, and clothes. My own "guess" is that Edward came to Virginia from Ireland during the Williamite Confiscation mentioned in chapter 2, perhaps around 1690 or a few years later, and was transported by Edward Mosely, if this is so, why is he not mentioned in the land patent books? If one examines these carefully he will see that an individual received so much land for transporting so many people but not in all cases are the names of all these people listed. Edward Mosely transported many people into Old Rappahannock county from about 1660 until and including the 1690's. It is logical that he transported his servant Edward. As we shall see later. Edward probably lived on land owned (or once owned) by Mosely.

But before we proceed with an account of Edward lets return to other possible early Coffey immigrants. Although Nugent mentions (2) some others by the name of Coffey (variant spellings) in the 1600s there seems to be no other records of them. The only Coffey for whom I have seen a record this early is Abraham Coffee who signed a petition about 1683 in New Kent (now King & Queen) county. (5) This may be the same man Greer lists as Abr. Cofface and Nugent as Coffall being transported in 1653. The land patent for this transportation was "on the south side of the freshes of the York river right against Totopotomoy." Abraham is mentioned further in Chapter 7 of this book.

Nugent also lists some Coffeys who were transported in the 1700s: A Thomas to Isle of Wight county in 1711, a Charles to King & Queen county in 1714, and an Edward to Isle of Wight county in 1726. I have no further information on any of these Coffeys and they were all too late to be the ancestors of our line.

The next record we have of Edward, our progenitor, comes on March 10, 1700 when Thomas Powell of Sittingbourne Parish, Essex county Virginia made his will. (7) In it he bequeathed 1 shilling to his daughter Ann Coffey, a witness being Edward Coffey. Thus Edward had married Ann Powell by 1700. Unfortunately some genealogists have used this date for the marriage, Edward made his will (8) (see Appendix A) February 14, 1715/16 and all of his children were under 16. Although it wasn't probated until November 20, 1716 he died before July 16 as on that date John and Edward Coffey, his sons, concluded a land transaction (9) for 200 acres on Occapatla Creek with John Mosely, son and heir of Edward Mosely and one-third was set aside for John and Edward's mother Ann Coffey as a widow's dower. The deed lacks explanation but it seems probable that this may have been land

HENRY COFFEY FAMILY

Barbara Douglas of Henderson TX **felt** that someone in the Coffey **family** might appreciate reading the **following** data that she has collected on one Coffey family. They are not in her **immediate line** so she Just wants to pass them on to someone who can use **it**. We wish to thank her for her **thoughtfulness**.

HENRY COFFEY _____ b. 5 Feb. **1852. m.** 15 Nov. 1876, Sulphur Springs, TX. to Fannie Woodard Summers, b. 11 Aug 1852. Choctaw Co. AL. Daughter of Jessie Summers & Maria Dunbar. Henry d, 24 Nov. 1900. and Fannie d. 19 Mar. 1925. both buried in Sulphur **Springs TX**

Henry & Fannie had 3 **children**. none survived **infancy**. 1st. **stillborn** (1878). 2nd. Grace b. Jan. 13. 1885 & d. 25 Jan. 1885. 3rd. Hazel b. 1887. **died** young.

Heirs to Fannies estate were great nieces & nephews: Frances Nell Coffey. Margaret Esther Coffey, Elizabeth . Vivian & John S. Coffey Jr.. Agnes, Henry **William** 8. Thomas Coffey. These were children of John S. Coffey Sr. & Vivian Henrietta Summers.

Henry Coffey was the brother to John S, Coffey's father.

John S. Coffey, Sr. b. 21 Feb. 1881. Sulphur Springs. TX **m.** 1 Dec. 1901. Sulphur Springs to Vivian Henrietta Summers (dau. of Thomas & Agnes Craig Summers) b. 31 Dec. 1952, d. **11** Oct. 1969. both in Sulphur Springs, TX. They had 11 children:

1. Frances Nell **Coffey**, b.____, d. 19 Jan. 1988.
2. Margaret Esther -
- 3.** Harris Townes
4. Elizabeth Lee, deceased.
5. Vivian Florence, deceased.
6. John S. Jr.
7. Agnes Louise, b. **1914**, married ____ Jenness
8. Henry Lee
9. **William Alvin**
10. Thomas Ray

Fannie Woodard Summers Coffey was the 8th of the 10 children of Jessie Madison Summers & Maria Henrietta Dunbar. Other **children** were Young T. 2. George W. 3. Sarah "**Sallie**" **Elizabeth** 4. John W. 5. Clark W. 6. Taylor 7. Smith (or Whitney or White) 8. Fannie 9. Thomas Baker 10. Jesse

Also found: Hopkins Co.. TX deaths: **Lowell** Coffey. 10 Oct. 1918 and W. H. Coffey, 30 May **1933**.



We wish to thank James M. Coffey, Jr. of Atlanta. Ga for the following collection of documents. Mrs. Eleanor Peak sent the bible record to James and as it does not apply to his line he sent it on to us.

COFFEY - HINDMAN BIBLE

Bible bought by Jane Hindman July 10. 1793. In possession of Mrs Clara Gowen. This bible was published 1790 in Edinburg by Mark & Charles Kerr. His Majesty's printers. Copied by James O. Gowen Oct. 2, 1978.

BIRTHS

Jane Hindman	June 11th 1781
Ananias Coffey	May 12th 1785
(Ananias Coffey and Jane Hindman were married Aug. 24, 1807 in Green Co. Ky)	
Nancy Coffey	April 11th 1809
Zldner Coffey	June 15, 1810
Cabelus Coffey	Nov 6th 1811
Harriet Coffey	March 17 1813
Polly Coffey	Dec 14, 1814
Eliza Coffey	Oct 10, 1815
Marshall L Coffey	April 28, 1819
John D. Coffey	Sept 16, 1821
Jane Coffey	Aug 7, 1824
Louisa Caroline Coffey	May 26, 1827

This line goes back to Joel Coffey, a Revolutionary war soldier from VA. DAR #217121 Winifred Hopkins Lowe. now deceased. She was a member of Phoebe Dustin Chapter of Phillipburt. KS. She often visited here and copied this bible for her record. Opal Phillips

(from Willard Library. Evansville. IN)

Note: Ananias(Nlas) was son of Nebuzaradon Coffey who was son of Joel Coffey who was son of Chesley Coffey.

James says that while he was researching the John Seaman family in Orange Co. New York he found the following information:

Orange Co. New York 1825 State Census, Cornwall:
Edward Coffey 6 males; 4 females: 0 males 18-45 subj to military duty: 2 qualified to vote.

Monroe PG 13:

Exsserence Coffey 0 males: 3 females; 0 males 18-45 subj to military duty; 0 qualified to vote.

One other item also Orange Co. N.Y.:

An 1864 map of SE Orange Co. (Monroe) showing land owners. J. Coffee's Tavern is shown.

COFFEY SHOOT OUT

The following was given to us by Boyce Coffey. 600 Bellvue, Lander WY. 82520. Boyce says that he received it from his first cousin Ralph Coffey of Prince Albert, Sask. Unfortunately the ancestor who clipped the news item failed to preserve the date or name of the paper. The subject, "Gld Coffey", was Boyce's great uncle. The place was Elgin, Kansas (on the Kansas - Oklahoma border in S.W. KS about 40 miles west of Coffeyville, KS.) Glideon Coffey was the 7th child and 4th son of James L. and Susan (Bradshaw) Coffey. He was born 1862 in Russell Co. KY. Boyce estimates that the incident occurred sometime between 1885 and 1900. He has no record of Glideon's marriage, names and dates of his wife and children. Maybe some of the other cousins can shed some light on the missing data.

TWO MEN SHOT DEAD

Bad Blood Up at Elgin and the Death Penalty is Paid.

Bob Register and Gld Coffey Were Both Killed.



Last Thursday evening at about nine o'clock word was brought to Sedan from Elgin by ex-deputy Sheriff Henry Powell that constable Gld Coffey and outlaw Bob Register had both been killed and that he, Powell, had killed one of the men.

The shooting took place in Jim Lawson's hotel and the following is a description of the affair and the circumstances leading up to it, told to us by Mr. Powell, and the later is probably the only living witness of the shooting which cost two men their lives.

About two weeks ago Bob Register was attending bar in Jess Lawson saloon. But some trouble ensued between the employer and employee and the later was fired. Ed Leahy, a nephew of Thos. Leahy, took Register's place and bad blood was immediately started between the two. Register got drunk and Leahy had to leave town to avoid the wrath of the former. Jess Lawson finally gave his former bartender a good thrashing and he left town, going to Ponca City.

Thursday last he returned to Elgin and demanded of Lawson that he be given his old job back. This he was refused and from that time there was "blood on the moon" and Register started on the war path which resulted in his own and another man's death several hours later. Leahy wisely tried to keep in hiding until the rumpus should blow over.

But about five o'clock, or a little later, the two met just west of Lawson's hotel and each commenced shooting. Both guns were emptied but neither man touched. Leahy then escaped into the hotel and went to his room, which is just at the head of the stairs.

Now those stairs lead UP from both the office and dining room of the hotel, and about half way up is a landing and a turn to the left. And here is where the tragedy occurred.

Register was still hunting Leahy and pursued him to his room, where each opened fire. The former shooting from the stairway and latter from his room. Constable Coffey, who had been out of town all day, was now returned. Hearing the shooting he secured Henry Powell and went to the hotel. The latter warned the constable that it would be pretty dangerous to enter the stairway, but he went and Powell with him side by side. When they gained the landing Register was on the stairs near the top, evidently playing around the corner for a shot at his antagonist. But on hearing the others coming up stairs he turned

suddenly and opened fire on them, Powell replying. Powell's first shot took effect inflicting mortal wound. Whether Register shot Coffey before or after he was himself shot is not known, as Just about this time Coffey went down stairs and into the parlor and dropped dead. Powell immediately, upon shooting Register, ran down stairs, the latter falling to the landing and still shooting at Powell. But the latter did not know this. Thinking that he had not killed his man he ran down the street to where he thought he could head him off should he escape through the rear of the hotel and attempt to gain the street through the opening between the buildings there. But Register had made his last gun play. He was soon dragged out of the hotel, a dead man.

Gld Coffey's death is to be lamented. He was a man of good standing among his acquaintances. He was brave as his actions show in this case, he faced a man with a gun in action, he being empty handed. He belonged to the Odd Fellows, and that order gave him a fitting burial. many members of lodges of neighboring towns attending the funeral Saturday. He leaves a wife and two children.

The death of Register is regretted by nobody. He was an outlaw of a very dangerous nature. It has been only a few months since he was discharged from the Kansas penitentiary where he had served a term for trying to kill James Rucker, of Elgin. He was buried in a pine box with his boots on Just as he died.

(Don't mess with the Editor! I come from Coffey, Register 8. Rucker.)

Jeff Coffey of San Antonio, TX is sharing the following records that he ran across in his research. They are from a book THE EARLY SETTLERS OF MARYLAND by Gust Skordas, Assistant Archivist State of Maryland, printed by Genealogical Publishing Co. 1968. It is an Index of names of immigrants compiled from records of land patents, 1633-1680, in the Hall of Records, Annapolis, MD.

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Name	Liber	Folio	Remarks
Coffee, Rebecca	18	311	Transported 1675
Coffee, Robert County. Shoemaker.	WC2	140,142	Immigrated 1680. Of Somerset

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Tax list of Somerset County 1723
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Nathan Crapper, Son Solomon 8. Francis Coffey/3
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