

THE GRAVES FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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GRAVES FAMILY NEWS

We are very sorry to hear of the death of the mother of Mrs. Marjorie Albrecht, 1018 West Division, Downs, KS 67437, descended from JOHN GRAVES of St. Mary's Co., MD. Her mother, **Vonda (Coop) Watts**, was born 4

Dec. 1912 in Smith Co., KS, and died Christmas day, 25 Dec. 1993.

ADDRESS CHANGES

Mrs. Marie Greene, descended from WILLIAM LYNCH GRAVES of VA & TN, has changed her P.O. Box number. Her new address is P.O. Box 483, Angel Fire, NM 87710.

NEW ENGLAND GRAVES REUNION IN MANSFIELD, MA

A reunion of all Graves families of New England was held on June 3-4 at the Holiday Inn in Mansfield, MA.

The speakers both Friday evening and Saturday morning were excellent. See the following article for more information.

People attending (with their ancestry) were:

From Rear Adm. Thomas Graves of Charlestown: Mrs. Adeline M. Beier, Park Ridge, IL; Mr. Robert Allen Greene, East Greenwich, RI; Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Hayden (Doris), West Babylon, NY.

Thomas Graves of Hartford, CT: Mrs. Roberta J. Glatz, Feura Bush, NY.

Deacon George Graves of Hartford, CT: Mr. Karl E. Graves and son Matthew Graves, Andover, NY; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth W. Graves (Kay), Sanibel, FL and New Milford, PA; Mr. Dean L. Graves, Milton, MA; Mr. and Mrs. Phillip L. Graves, Sr. (Marian) and grandson Frank P. Graves, Gifford, PA.

Lt. William Graves of Nova Scotia & New Brunswick: Mr. Robert C. Graves, Jr., Deep River, CT; Mr. Michael Graves (brother of Bob), Bridgewater, MA.

Capt. Thomas Graves of VA, and William B. Graves of NC & IN: Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth V. Graves (Sarah), Wrentham, MA.

It was decided that the next New England reunion will be in 2 years -- 1996. It will probably be a 1-day event, rather than being spread over part of 2 days. Also, we will probably try to make it more of a family affair, with outside activity on Saturday (volleyball, horseshoes, etc.), and socializing and family information exchange for those who want to do that. Then in the evening there will be a dinner with a speaker afterward.

If you have any thoughts on the tentative program or would like to help with the next reunion, contact Ken Graves, (508)384-8084.

TRACING YOUR ANCESTRY -- SPEAKERS AT THE NEW ENGLAND REUNION

At the New England Graves Family Reunion on June 3 and 4 there were two excellent and interesting speakers. The subject for both of them was how to do effective family research. The Friday evening speaker

emphasized research in Europe, especially England.

After dinner on Friday, David Curtis Dearborn, head reference librarian at the New England Historic Genealogical Society in Boston, spoke on "Bridging the Atlantic." David handed out an 8-page bibliography of books and other publications that are useful in tracing your family back into Europe. Let me know if you would like a copy of this handout. He discussed the usefulness of many of these publications, using examples from his own research. One attendee commented that he learned more in this excellent presentation than in a previous 2-day seminar he attended.

On Saturday morning, Rindi Billings, a librarian and speaker for the local LDS Family History Center, presented "Using the Resources of the Family History Centers to Solve Your Family History Problems." She talked about what can be found at the Centers on microfilm, microfiche, computer CD, and in book form, and how to use the resources.

Rindi handed out a list of Family History Centers in the Northeastern States and promised to provide similar lists for other areas. She also said that the LDS Church will film record and manuscript collections of individuals at no charge. More information will be published on this when it is received.

GRAVES FAMILY REUNIONS

Sunday, July 31, 1994, Waterbury Center, VT - Descendants of Luther⁶ Graves, b. 1782, of MA & VT (#483 on p. 92 of the book), and especially of Herbert Levi⁹ Graves, b. 1875 (#3628 on p. 295 of the book), descended from THOMAS GRAVES of Hartford, CT. Contact Mrs. Alfred Davis, 9840 Loomis Hill Rd., Waterbury Center, VT 05677.

Sunday, Aug. 7, 1994, Navarre, OH - Descendants of George Smith and ELIZABETH GRAVES. She was born 1797 in Loudoun Co., VA, daughter of Launcelot Graves and Nancy Clark, and granddaughter

\$20/year in U.S. and Canada. \$30/year for other countries (air mail). Please remit in U.S. dollars. All back issues (1976-present) are available at current price.

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Mrs. LaVerne (Mary Jo) Graves, Renton, WA**

of THOMAS GRAVES of Northampton Co., VA. For more information, call Gladys Smith, (216)832-9954.

Aug. 13-14, 1994, near Dixmont, ME - Graves family of Maine (probably descendants of WILLIAM GRAVES of Dover, NH). For more information, contact Mr. Marvin D. Graves, P.O. Box 214, Carmel, ME 04419, (207)848-7468.

Sept. 11, 1994, Sunny Hill Campground, Bolivar, NY - Penn-York Graves Family Reunion for all descendants of JOHN GRAVES of Concord, MA, especially descendants of BELA GRAVES. Bela was born 1750 or 1751 in Farmington, CT, served in the Rev. War, m(1) Sarah Holcomb, m(2) Sarah Griswold, d. Feb. 1852 in Shongo, Allegany Co., NY. The descent of Bela is: John¹, Benjamin², John³, Abner⁴, Bela⁵.

For information, contact Mr. Phillip L. Graves, Sr., Box 134, Gifford, PA 16732, (814)465-9465.

Sept. 23-25, 1994, Richmond, VA - NATIONAL GRAVES FAMILY REUNION for all Graves families.

This will be held at the downtown Holiday Inn in Richmond, in the heart of the historic area, close to shopping and genealogical facilities. There will be a couple of very interesting speakers, and we will probably also have entertainment by Living History Associates of Richmond.

Reservation forms are enclosed with this issue of the newsletter.

For information, contact Kenneth V. Graves, 261 South St., Wrentham, MA 02093, (508)384-8084.

Sept. 25, 1994, Blue Licks State Park, Blue Licks, KY - Descendants of WILLIAM HENRY GRAVES, great-grandson of JOHN GRAVES of Frederick Co., VA. The location

is just off U.S. 68, 30 miles south of Maysville, KY. Lunch at 12 noon, and business session and craft auction in the afternoon.

For more information, contact Theda Graves Howard, Rt. 1, Box 197, Mount Olivet, KY 41064.

GRAVES FAMILY BOOKS

Graves Families of the World was published in March and mailed to all those who had ordered it. It is still available to anyone who wants a copy at \$41 postpaid.

The other three books are being completed as quickly as possible.

Expected for 1995 are *John Graves of Concord, MA* and *John Graves of Frederick Co., VA*.

Targeted for 1996 is the book on *Capt. Thomas Graves of VA*.

TRIP TO ENGLAND IN MAY 1995

This trip will be May 20 through May 31, 1995. The planning is proceeding on schedule. All Graves Family Association members will be receiving a mailing with all details of the tour in August of this year. Others should contact Kenneth V. Graves, 261 South St., Wrentham, MA 02093, (508)384-8084, for information.

The itinerary will include ancient Graves family homes such as Beeley in Derbyshire and Mickleton in Gloucester, tourist attractions such as Windsor Castle, Buckingham Palace, and Shakespeare locations, and visits in the homes of Graves family members in England. Although there will be opportunity for genealogical research for those who are interested, this will also be a trip to enjoy and remember for everyone.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY UPDATES

New Members

CONTE, Mr. John A.
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Ancestry: Amos Graves and Charlotte ----- of NY

GORDON, Mrs. Vivian M.
1559 South Shan Dr., Mobile, AL 36693
Ancestry: Capt. Thomas Graves of VA, via John²,
Ralph³, Ralph⁴, Henry White⁵, Sarah Croshaw⁶ Graves
m. Thomas Barnett

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P.O. Box 123, Gifford, PA 16732
Ancestry: John Graves of Concord, MA

GRAVES, Mr. John B.
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22314
Ancestry: Capt. Thomas Graves of VA, via John²,
Ralph³, Ralph⁴, Henry White⁵, William⁶, William⁷,
William C.⁸

GRAVES, Dr. and Mrs. John W.
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GRAVES, Mr. Karl E.
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Ancestry: John Graves of Concord, MA

REAGAN, Mrs. Pat A.
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Ancestry: prob. John Graves (Johann Sebastian Graff)

WEPPLER, Mrs. Donna
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Ancestry: prob. Rear Adm. Thomas Graves, via
Lebbeus⁶ Graves m. Lucy May

WYATT, Mr. David A.
246 West Van Bruggen Drive, Plainwell, MI 49080
Ancestry: Lemuel Graves of Jefferson Co., NY

SOME GRAVES/GREAVES FAMILIES OF ENGLAND, WITH PICTURES

Some of the following information is taken from "Sketch of the Graves Family in England" in *Genealogy of the Graves Family in America*, vol. 1, John Card Graves, 1896, and other sources.

The family of Graves is one of the most ancient in England. It went in with the

Norman army, and its members have been De Grevis, De Greves, Greve, Grave, Greaves, Greeves, and Graves. In the portion of the Doomsday Book for Lincolnshire it is recorded (translated from the original Latin): "In Horbelinge Greve holds four carucates (about 400 acres) of land for which he pays geld (civil tax levied for support of the State) there is land for four ploughs;" and "In Draitone Hundred Greve holds six bovates (about 75 acres) of land for which he pays geld; there is land for six oxen."

The family lived in early days in that part of England now known as counties Lincoln, Nottingham, Derby and York, occupying the northern part of the first three named and the southern part of York. The first recorded family seat was known as Greves or Greaves, in the parish of Beeley, near Chatsworth, in the northern part of Derbyshire, and a few miles from the southerly boundary of York, where the family resided as early as the reign of Henry III (1216-1272). John Greaves, a descendant, in the reign of Elizabeth (1558-1602), became a purchaser of "Beeley", a quaint old house with an enclosed court, on the hill above Beeley, and now known as "Hilltop", and it was occupied as a family seat until about 1664, when it was sold to John, Earl of Rutland.

In the little church at Beeley, within the altar rails, is a fine flat stone on which are cut the coat of arms of the family, the motto "Superna Quaero", and the following inscription"

"This marble stone doth presse but not oppresse the body of John Greaves of Greaves, Esq., who always was a true son of the Church of England, merciful and charitable to the poor, patient and courageous in a tedious sickness, and at length, being full of faith and hope, did exchange this troublesome world for a better, upon the 13th day of October, in the year of our Lord 1694. Ann, his wife, b. of Geo. Bird, of Stenly Hall, Gent., ob. May 25, 1700."

From the visitations of Derbyshire, in the College of Arms, and from manuscripts in the

British Museum, the following descent of the early founders of the family is extracted:

- I. John de la Greves.
- II. Hugo do la Grevis, vixit temp. Henry III (1216-1272).
- III. William de la Grevis, filius Hugonis, temp. Edward I (1272-1307).
- IV. Egidrus de la Greves, Letitia uxor ejus. 1316.
- V. Thomas de la Greves, filius Egidri., temp. Edward III (1327-1377).
- VI. Johannes de la Grevis, fil. Thomas, fil. Egidri, temp. Edward III.
- VII. John
- VIII. William and wife Agnes
- IX. John, 1497; buried Dec. 30, 1546.
- X. John of Greaves; buried Dec. 30, 1595.
- XI. John of Greaves and Beeley
- XII. John of Greaves, Beeley and Woodhouse, baptized Sept. 17, 1581, and living 1634; had eight sons and three daughters.
- XIII. John of Beeley; buried Feb. 6, 1673-4.
- XIV. John of Stanton Hall and Biggin; born in 1644; died without issue, Oct. 13, 1694.

The family had early scattered over the surrounding country. As early as 1574 members of it are mentioned as at Kings Norton in Worcester County, where in the chapel is found a large monument to Sir Richard Greves, Kt., with crest; he died in 1631. In the rolls of the Exchequer Lay Subsidies for Buckingham and Northampton Counties, there are found taxes laid against different members of the family as early as 1522, and from that time forward.

John Grave was a resident of Cleckheaton, in the Parish of Birstall, and Wapentake of Morley, in the West Riding of Yorkshire, as early as the time of Edward IV (1461-1483), and from him descend several of the most prominent families in Great Britain. The Graves family of Mickleton, Gloucestershire, is descended from him.

Part of the lineage from this John Graves follows:

1. John Graves of Cleckheaton

2. Robert Graves of Cleckheaton. Lived during the reign of Henry VII (1485-1509).
3. John Graves, b. 1513. He lived at Beamsley in the West Riding of Yorkshire. He settled in London at the age of 80 years, and died there in 1616 at 103 years of age.
4. Richard Graves, b. 1572, died April 1626, and was buried in St. Martin's, Ludgate. He lived in London.
5. Richard Graves, b. 6 Sept. 1610, d. 9 May 1669, and was buried in St. James, Clerkenwell. He purchased the manors of Aston and Weston, with the royalty of Kiftsgate Hundred, in Gloucestershire, in 1654, and the manor of Mickleton in 1656.
6. Samuel Graves, b. 24 Aug. 1649, d. 9 Sept. 1708, buried at Mickleton.
7. Richard Graves, "the Antiquary", b. 22 April 1677, d. 17 Sept. 1729.
8. Morgan Graves of Mickleton, b. 9 Nov. 1708, d.26 Dec. 1771, buried at Mickleton.
9. Walwyn Graves of Mickleton, b. 20 July 1744, d. 1813, no children. He was succeeded by his brother, Richard Morgan Graves, b.c. 1752, d. 1815.

A picture of Mickleton Manor as it now looks, after being saved from being razed a few years ago, appears below. This picture and a brief article appeared on p. 22, 1977 GFNL.



A portrait of Richard Graves of Mickleton, "the Antiquary", 1677-1729, descended from John Graves of Cleckheaton, follows.

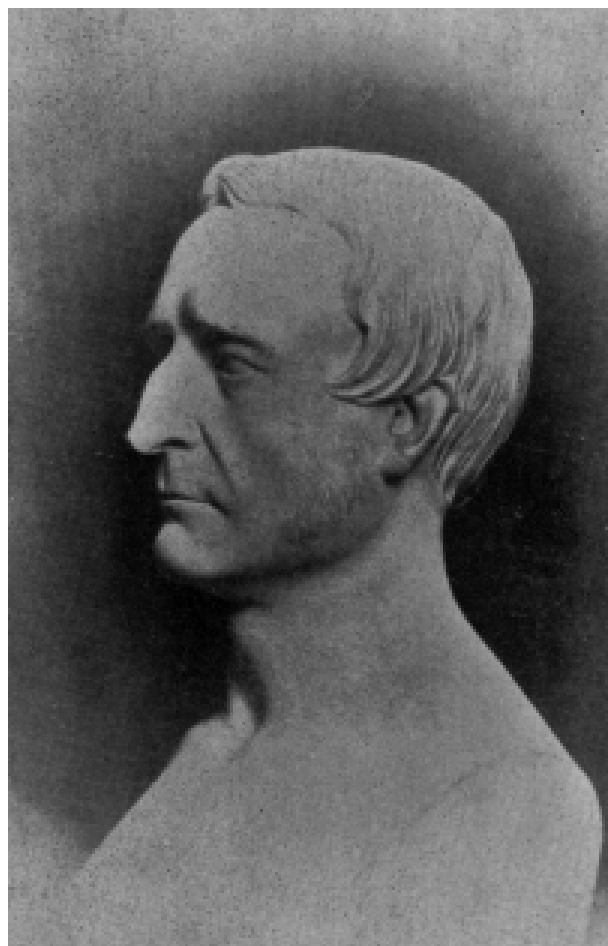


The Graves family in Ireland was founded by Colonel William Graves. He was sent to Ireland as Colonel commanding a Regt. of horse in the Parliamentary Army in 1649 or 1650. It has been claimed that he was a son of Richard Graves of London (1572-1626). However, Rev. Charles L. Graves of Geneva, Switzerland, says that is very unlikely since the son of Richard Graves named William was only 3 years old at the time Cromwell's forces were in Ireland. (Since I do not presently have proof of the date of birth of William Graves, and his brother Richard was born in 1610, it seems possible that Col. William Graves was indeed a son of Richard Graves.)

Col. William Graves was granted lands of Ballymack and Burnchurch, Co. Kilkenny, and previous to the restoration he disposed of his lands in Ireland and returned to England, leaving two of his sons in Ireland. One settled in the north, and from him the family of Lord

Graves is said to have descended. The other settled near Limerick, in the south, and his family is given below.

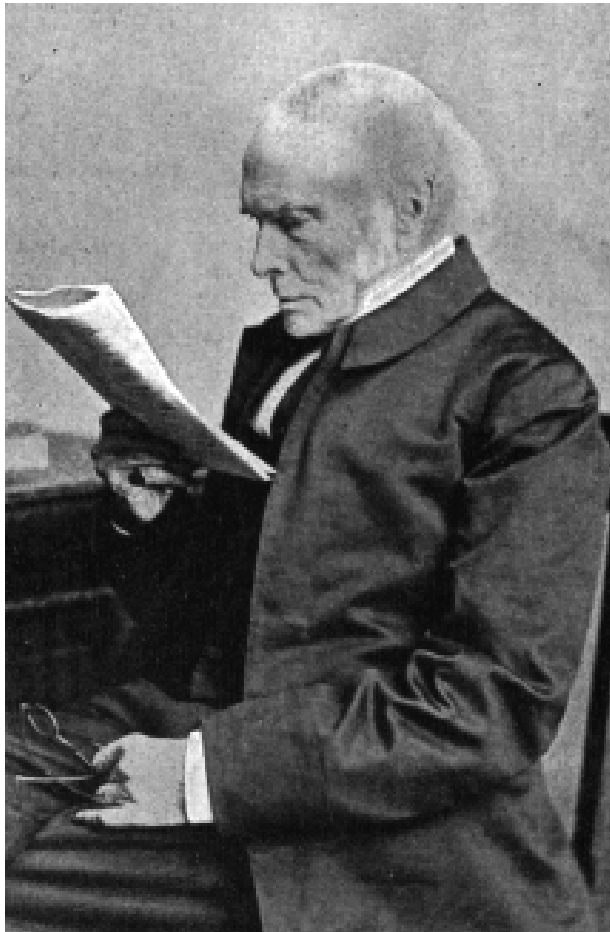
1. Col. William Graves
2. Henry Graves, b. Nov. 1652, called "Claymore" or "Harry of the Long Sword", as he never went abroad without his formidable blade, not even when going to church at Croom, "for fear of the hostility of the Irish Papists."
3. John Graves, b. 1682, Sheriff of Limerick in 1720.
4. Rev. James Graves, b. 18 Nov. 1713, d. 21 Nov. 1783. He was vicar of Kilfinnan, Co. Limerick.



5. Thomas Graves, Very Rev. Dean of Ardfert, b. 3 March 1745, d. 30 Sept. 1828. His brothers were: (1) James William Graves, Paymaster 5th Regt., (2) Rev. John Graves, Rector of Ballingarry,

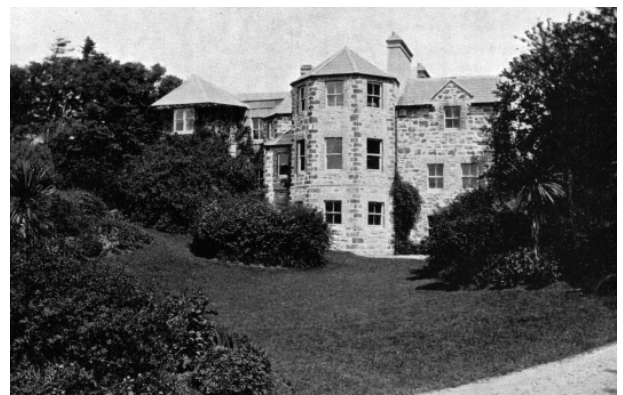
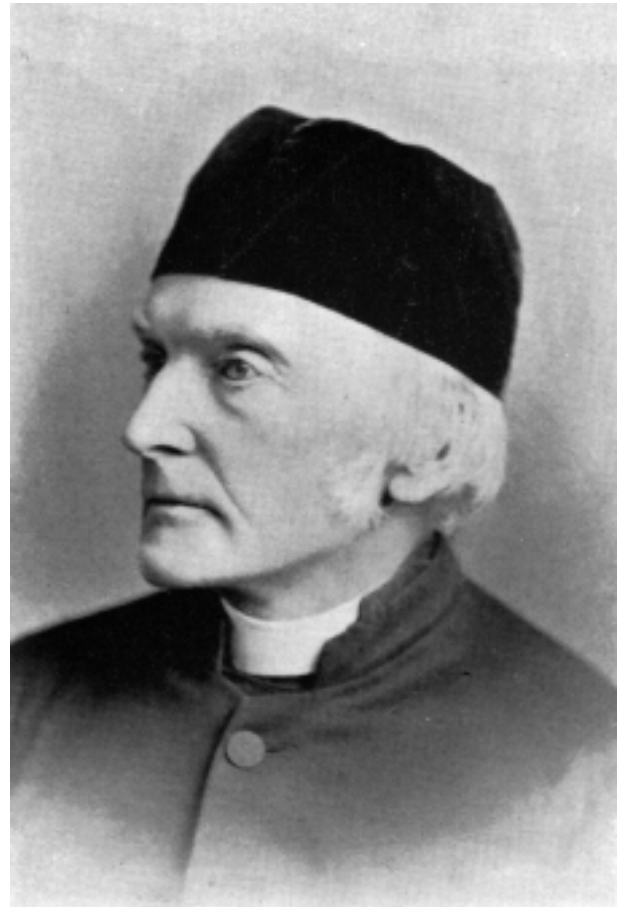
(3) Very Rev. Richard Graves, b. 1 Oct. 1763, fellow of Trinity College, Dublin. Richard married Eliza Mary Drought and had sons Rev. Richard Hastings Graves and Robert James Graves, the famous Dublin physician (picture at bottom of preceding page).

6. Col. James William Graves, of the 18th Royal Irish Regt., b. 1774, d. 1845.
7. John Crosbie Graves, b. 2 July 1776, d. 13 Jan. 1835, m. Helena Perceval, 1806. He had sons: (1) John Thomas Graves; (2) Rev. Robert Perceval Graves (picture below), Rector at Windermere, England, spent the last quarter century of his life in Dublin; (3) James Perceval Graves; (4) Right Rev. Charles Graves.

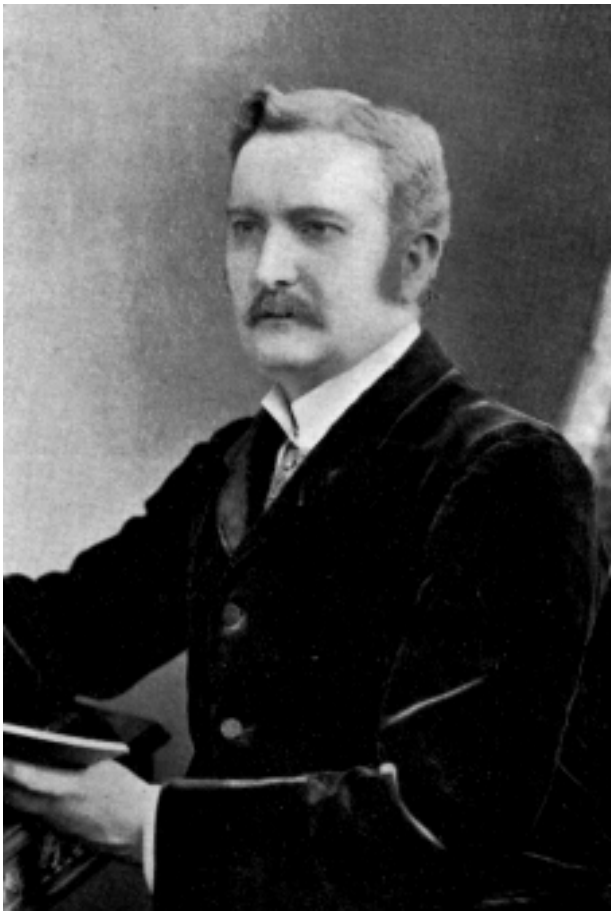


8. Right Rev. Charles Graves, D.D., Lord Bishop of Limerick, Ireland, b. 12 Nov. 1812. He was educated at Trinity College, Dublin, and lived in Limerick

and at "Parknasilla", in Kenmare, Co. Kerry. His picture and one of Parknasilla follow.



9. Alfred Perceval Graves, b. 22 July 1846. He was a poet and Inspector of Schools. Lived in Taunton, England. His children included famous author and poet Robert Ranke Graves (who wrote *I, Claudius*, etc.). A portrait of Alfred Perceval Graves is at the top of the next page.



Lord Graves, Baron of Gravesend, Co. Londonderry, Ireland, was also descended from Col. William Graves:

1. Col. William Graves
2. James Graves (descendant, probably son of William Graves), m. Miss Herdman. They had 1 son and 4 grandsons who were Admirals.
3. Rear Admiral Thomas Graves of Thanckes, Cornwall, b. 1680.
4. Admiral Thomas Graves, elevated to the peerage in 1795 as Lord Graves, Baron of Gravesend, Co. Londonderry. He married Elizabeth Williams in 1771, and d. 1802. He is the Admiral Thomas Graves whose defeat at the end of the American Revolution necessitated the surrender of Gen. Cornwallis at Yorktown.
5. Lord Thomas North Graves, b. 28 May 1775, d. 7 Feb. 1830, m. Mary Paget.
6. Lord William Thomas Graves, b. 18 April 1804, d. 20 March 1870.

7. Lord Clarence Edward Graves, b. 7 June 1847, m. Katherine Frederica Murdock.

Another branch of the family in Ireland descends from Richard Graves, brother of Rev. James Graves, 4th in the Col. William Graves family.

4. Richard Graves, High Sheriff of Limerick and Waterford, died 1815.
5. Anthony Graves
6. William Graves
7. Anthony Elly Graves; he had brother Samuel Robert Graves, M.P. for Liverpool, who was father of William S., Robert Elly, and Herbert A., of Liverpool.
8. William Robert Graves, M.D., Trinity College, Dublin, had brothers Samuel Houghton Graves, F. P. Graves, and Anthony Elly Graves.

The important families of Greaves, of Mayfield Hall, Co. Stafford, Greaves of Page Hall and Elmsall Lodge, Co. Bucks, and others, trace their descent from the ancient Derbyshire family. A branch of the family settled in York at a very early day.

Many of the descendants of the different branches of the family went, from time to time, to London and other cities in Great Britain, and to the Colonies, and notably to the American Colonies, in the score of years from 1629 to 1649.

QUESTIONS AND INFORMATION

MISCELLANEOUS GRAVES FAMILIES

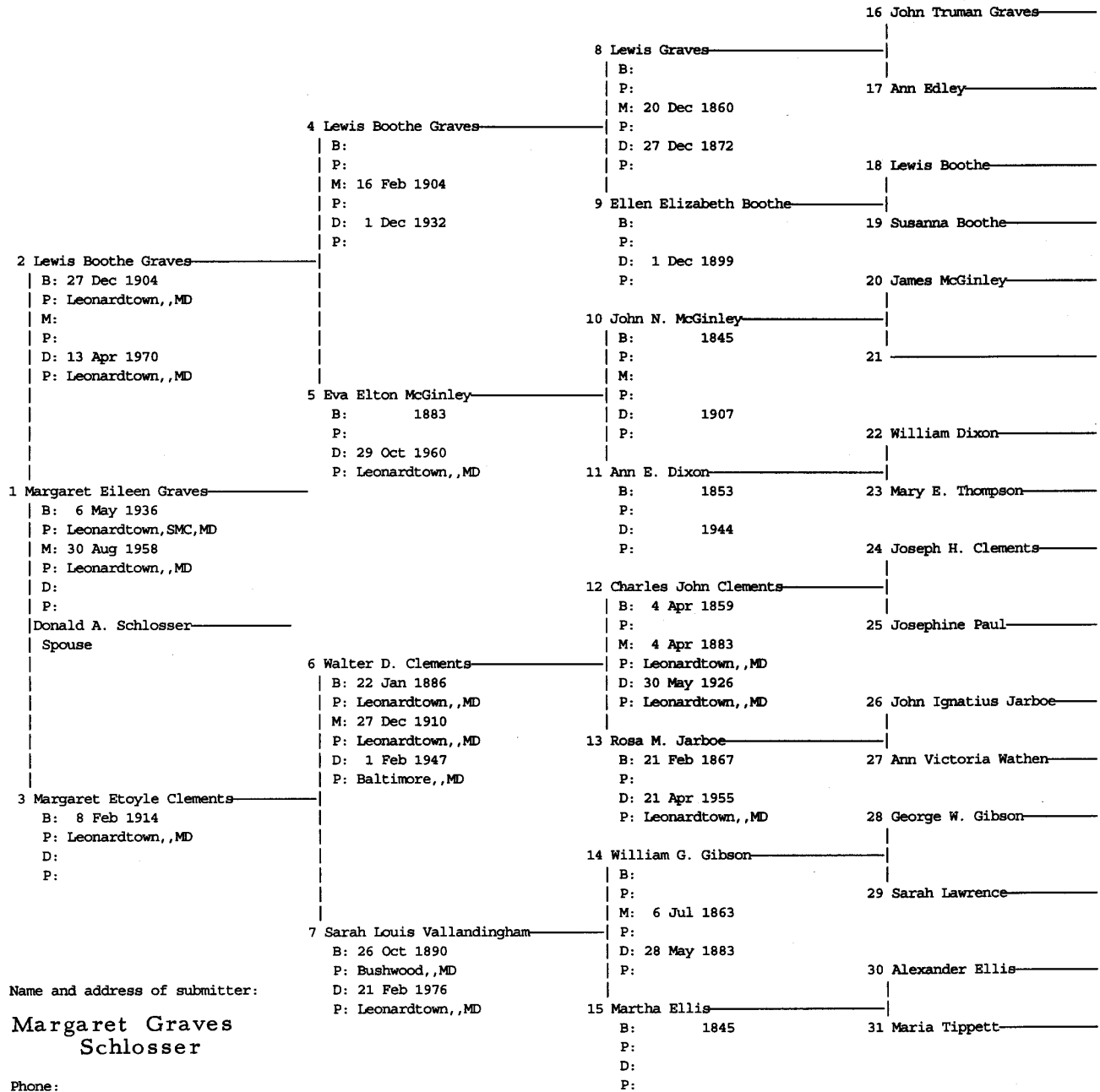
Mrs. Margaret Graves Schlosser, P.O. Box 547, Hollywood, MD 20636, is researching the family of John Truman Graves and his son Lewis Graves of St. Mary's Co., MD. Her ancestry and her descent from them is shown on the chart on the next page.

(ED. NOTE: It is believed that this family is descended from JOHN GREAVES of St. Mary's Co., MD, via John¹, Thomas², John Baptist³ Graves, John Truman⁴ Graves, m. Ann Edley, Lewis⁵ Graves.

PEDIGREE CHART

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Chart no. 1



The possibility that John¹ was an original immigrant from England is being investigated.)

Mr. Robert Lawrence Graves, 3374 Saint Michael Dr., Palo Alto, CA 93406, is searching for his ancestry. His grandfather was VIVIAN ECCLESTON GRAVES (spelling approximate), born 6 Oct. 1890 in Leonardtown, St. Mary's Co., MD. He obtained an LLD degree from Georgetown Univ., practiced law in Baltimore, and was able to argue cases before the U.S. Supreme Court. "He married my grandmother, Eugenetta Beauchemin of Fitchburg, MA, in 1926 in Baltimore... He studied at Southwestern Univ. and passed the California Bar Exam soon after."

"My father, Robert Lee Graves, was born in Glendale, CA, on 2 Jan. 1929. The family moved to Texas two years later where Vivian took a position with the Federal government. He died in fort Worth in 1933."

"My father was an only child, and his father died when he was 4 years old. This accounts for the lack of knowledge I have about my roots."

(ED. NOTE: It is believed that this family is descended from JOHN GRAVES or GREAVES of St. Mary's Co., MD, the same as in the preceding query.

To find the earlier ancestry and the connection with John Graves of St. Mary's Co., the following records should be checked: birth certificate of Robert Lee Graves for names of his parents, and death and marriage certificates of Vivian for names of his parents. Check MD census records for 1900, 1910, and 1920, for Vivian in his parents' family. Then check the 1850-1880 MD census records for Vivian's father listed as either head of household or as a child in his parents' family.)

GRAVES FAMILIES OF ENGLAND

Mr. Ole Pein, B.P. 8, Sant Julia de Loria, Andorra, via France, is researching the life of John Davies Mereweather, an English

clergyman who lived 1816-1896. From 1855 on, Mereweather lived in Venice. He had his quarters in the Contarini palace at San Trovaso. In the same building lived GEORGE FREDERICK GREAVES and his family. Greaves was a Captain in the Austrian navy. (Venice was under the control of Austria at that time.)

George Frederick Greaves married Ann Richards. She was buried in Ralambshof, north of Stockholm, Sweden, and was buried there in 1877. John Davies Mereweather was buried next to her in 1896.

Mr. Pein has now found a connection with a Greaves line in England, as shown on the chart on the next page. He is unsure how some of the people on the chart are related to each other. His main source is Austrian military records, and those do not give parentage.

He would like to find anyone interested in this branch of the Greaves family. "Perhaps some documents and heirlooms from the Venice time have remained with the family. Perhaps some reminiscences of Mereweather can be traced."

(ED. NOTE: See his previous query on p. 74, 1991 GFNL, for more information.)

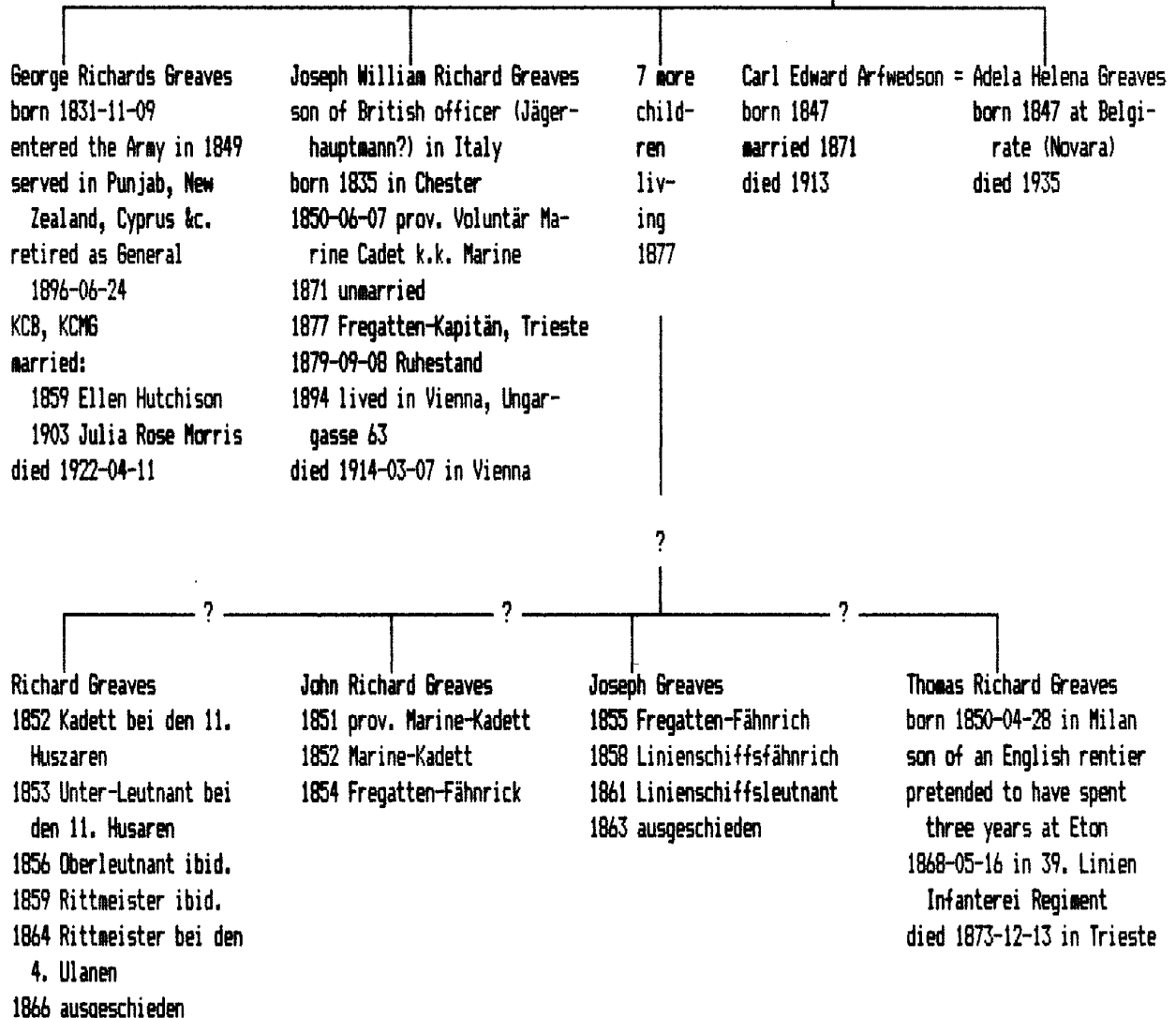
Mrs. Carole Agate, 48 Coleman Rd., Belvedere, Kent DA17 5AN, England, is a g-g-granddaughter of GEORGE WILLIAM GRAVES who married Ruth Cole at Wellow in Somerset, England. His father is recorded as George Graves.

George and Ruth had son Augustus William, b. 23 Oct. 1856, Wellow, Somerset, and he married Ellen Eliza Goodchild 9 Oct. 1877 in the county of Kent or Surry. They had 4 children: George, Maud, Dorothy, and her grandfather Arthur Spencer Graves.

She would like to learn more about her part of the Graves family and its ancestry.

Greaves of Staffordshire (Burke's Landed Gentry, 6th ed., 1882)

George Frederick Greaves ===== Ann Richards
 of Briory Close, Windemere, Westmoreland born in Chester 1806-10-24
 in Army List 1814-1830 died in Stockholm 1877-08-27
 Captain of the 60th Rifles
 served in the Peninsular war under the
 Duke of Wellington
 settled in Venice c. 1850
 lived in Palazzo Contarini, San Trovaso
 Captain in the Imperial Austrian Navy
 died 1869



NORTHERN GRAVES FAMILIES

Mrs. Sue Graves Reakes, P.O. Box 4113, Palm Springs, CA 92263-4113, is descended from JOSIAH GRAVES, who was born 27 March 1773, and died 5 July 1838 in Granville, Licking Co., OH. He married Hannah Cooley, daughter of Clark Cooley and Sabra Bancroft, on 7 (or 27) Feb. 1798 at Granville, MA. They moved to Granville, OH before 1808, but not with the original settlers in 1805.

Among the original settlers at Granville, OH were Enoch Graves, Sr., born 13 Sept. 1766 at Granville, MA, and Roswell Graves, son of Roswell and Lois Graves, bapt. 17 June 1758 at Durham, CT. Both Enoch and Roswell were descended from Deacon George Graves, and descendants of Josiah have believed they were related, so it has been thought that Josiah was probably also descended from Deacon George Graves.

Mrs. Reakes has received information that Josiah Graves' parents may have been Reuben and Susannah Graves. They were buried in Granville, OH, next to Josiah and Hannah. She also indicated that Josiah was descended from Rear Adm. THOMAS GRAVES.

(ED. NOTE: This connection looks likely. There is no known descendant of Deacon George Graves who could have been this Reuben Graves. The Reuben Graves referred to was descended from Rear Adm. Thomas Graves as follows: Thomas¹, Joseph², Richard³, Lebbeus⁴, Reuben⁵. Reuben was born 15 April 1737 in Killingly, CT, married Susannah -----, and lived in East Granville, MA. Their only two known children, both born in East Granville, were: Dorothy Graves, b. 22 April 1768, and Isacher Graves, b. 10 March 1779, m. Ruth Blakeley. It is likely that they had other children, and Reuben's date of birth fits well.

Can anyone provide proof?)

Mr. David A. Wyatt, 246 West Van Bruggen Dr., Plainwell, MI 49080, is descended from LEMUEL GRAVES of Jefferson Co., NY as follows: (1) Lemuel Graves, (2) Sally Graves, b. 1806, d. 1891, (3) Bradley M. Bates, b. 1840, d. 1912, (4) Edith R. Bates, b. 1864, d. 1936, (5) Leo E. Wyatt, b. 1897, d. 1952, (6) David A. Wyatt, b. 1939. He is looking for the earlier ancestry.

(ED. NOTE: No connection has yet been found. This could be part of the family of John Graves of Concord, MA or Thomas Graves of Hartford, CT, since both have descendants who lived in Jefferson Co., NY, and both have members named Lemuel Graves.)

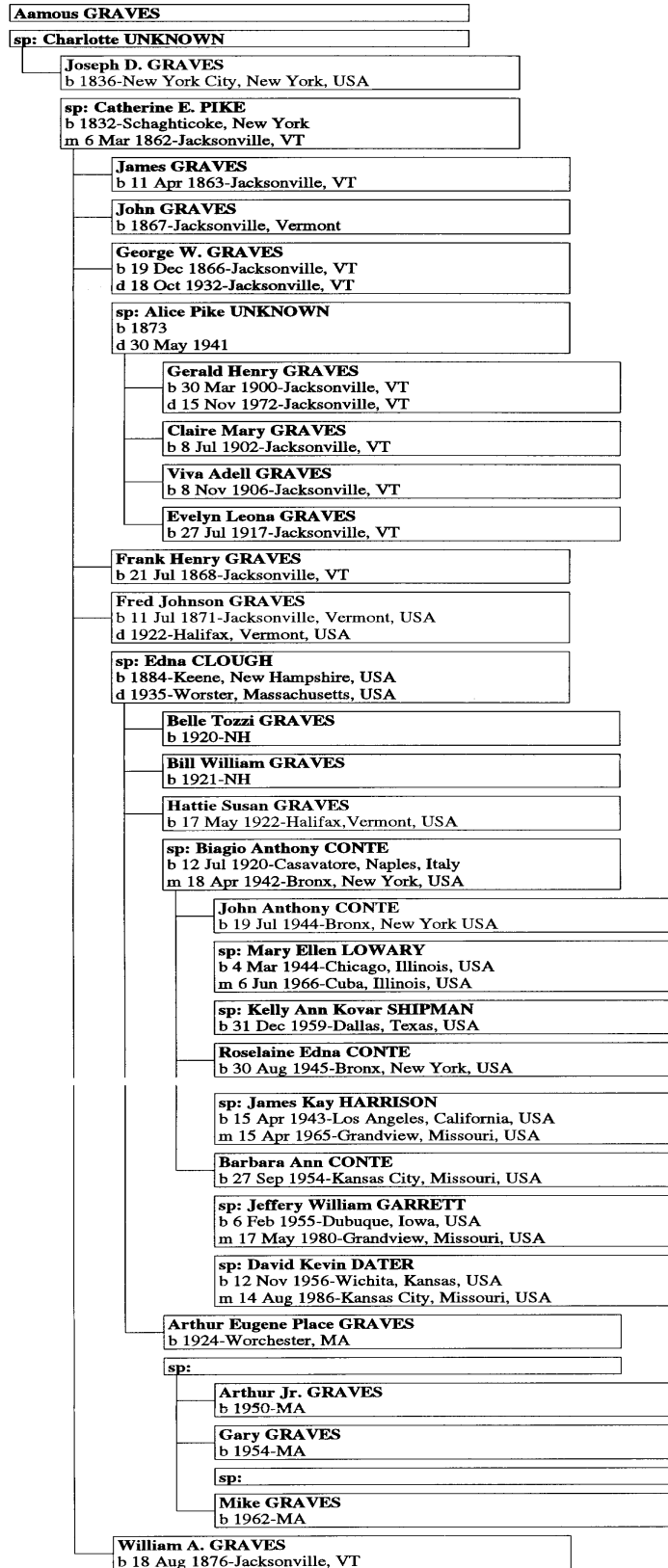
Mr. John A. Conte, 2326 Stone Glen Lane, Carrollton, TX 75007, has been able to trace and prove his family ancestry back to JOSEPH D. GRAVES and Catherine E. Pike, married 6 March 1862 in Jacksonville, Whitingham Co., VT. The parents of Joseph may have been AMOS (or AAMOUS) GRAVES and Charlotte -----, as shown on the chart on the next page.

Joseph Graves served in the Union Army from Dec. 1863 to June 1865. They had at least 6 children, including James Graves, b. 11 April 1863; George W. Graves, b. 19 Dec. 1866; John Graves, b. 1867; Frank Henry Graves, b. 21 July 1868; Fred Johnson Graves (his maternal grandfather), b. 11 July 1871; and William A. Graves, b. 18 Aug. 1876.

He would appreciate help with his Graves ancestry.

(ED. NOTE: Records that should be checked include the marriage record of Joseph and Catherine (it may list names of parents), and the 1830, 1840, 1850, and 1860 NY census records. Joseph's father may have been listed in NY City in 1830 and 1840, and Joseph's name may show up in the household of his parents in 1850 and 1860.)

Descendancy Chart



Ms. Cynthia S. Spaulding, 328 Bangor Rd., Benton, ME 04927, is not a Graves descendant, but she is very interested in the Mooers family that married into the Graves family in Maine.

Timothy Mooers, b. 15 Dec. 1763, Candia, NH, m. Mary Eaton. One of their daughters, Mary Mooers, b. 19 June 1810, Vienna, ME, m. Gerry Graves.

Gerry is descended from immigrant WILLIAM GRAVES of Dover, NH, as follows: William¹, William², William³, Nathaniel⁴, Jacob⁵, Gerry⁶. Gerry Graves was born 12 Oct. 1810, died 11 April 1888, and married Mary Mooers on 6 Jan. 1833 in Vienna, ME. Their children were:

- Emily F. Graves, b. 16 March 1834 (Vienna, ME), m. Henry R. Rand (of East New Sharon, ME), 18 March 1866.
- Vileda A. Graves, b. 5 March 1836, m. James H. Bean (of Mt. Vernon, ME), 6 Jan. 1856. They lived in Sidney, ME.
- Calvin Graves, b. 3 Sept. 1838, m. Maria Elizabeth Mooers, 30 April 1868, d. 1915.
- Mary A. Graves, b. 7 April 1842 (or 18 April 1840), d. 26 March 1863 (or 18 March 1864).
- Ellen M. Graves, b. 8 July 1847, d. 18 May 1855 (or 1865).
- Albion Graves, b. 21 May 1849, m. Maria A. Minnick, 4 Dec. 1873.

Ms. Spaulding would like more information on the Mooers family and on the descendants of this part of the Graves family.

THOMAS GRAVES OF HARTFORD, CT

Mrs. Anne Adams Helms, 70 Forest Ridge Rd., #15, Monterey, CA 93940, is interested in her part of the Graves family. The descent is from HANNAH GRAVES and Elisha Mack as follows: (1) Hannah Graves, (2) Submit Mack, b. 13 Feb. 1798, Deerfield, Franklin Co., MA, d. 15 June 1866, Kane Co., IL, m. William Watson, (3) Elisha ("Lash" or "Lasher") M. Watson, b. 3 Dec. 1822, Deerfield, MA, m. Eliza Ann Corser, (4) Benjamin Milton Watson, b. 11 June 1866 (?), Hampshire, Kane

Co., IL, d. 28 July 1924, Oakland, CA, m. Caroline Adelia Young, (5) Merle Eliza Watson, b. 14 Jan. 1895 (?), Kane Co., IL, d. 19 Jan. 1985, Palo Alto, CA, m. Charles Parker Mayhew, (6) Charles ("Chuck") Chamberlin Mayhew, b. 27 Nov. 1929, Seattle, WA, d. 6 July 1966, Redwood City, CA, m. Anne Adams.

Anne Adams, b. 8 March 1935 in San Francisco, CA, is a daughter of Ansel Adams (the famous photographer) and Virginia Rose Best. She has 3 daughters: Virginia Mayhew, Alison Mayhew, and Sylvia Mayhew.

(ED. NOTE: Hannah Graves is #1103 on p. 93 of the THOMAS GRAVES of Hartford, CT book.)

Mrs. Barbara Graves Butterfield, 88^{1/2} South Main St., Waterbury, VT 05676, is descended from THOMAS GRAVES of Hartford, CT via Arthur Huntley⁸ Graves, #2157 on p. 174 of the book. In the book it states that he was never married. That is obviously wrong, since Mrs. Butterfield is his granddaughter.

A summary of the first three generations of his descendants follows, using her numbering.

GENERATION 8

Arthur Huntley Graves (2157) was born 16 April 1863 and died 23 Oct. 1931. He first married Angie B. Hale. They had no children and divorced. He secondly married Amanda Belle Phillips. She was born 13 Dec. 1870 and died in 1956. They lived in Duxbury and Waterbury, VT.

Children - Graves, by Amanda B. Phillips

1. Eric Rupert Graves, b. 25 Oct. 1894, m. Merle Nancy Demas, 24 Feb. 1920, d. 10 July 1970.
2. Arthur Earle Graves, b. 1 May 1907, m. Marjorie Miller, 4 Sept. 1937, d. 25 Feb. 1992.

GENERATION 9

Eric Rupert Graves (1) was born 25 Oct. 1894 and died 10 July 1970. He married Merle Nancy Demas on 24 Feb. 1920. She was born 16 Aug. 1899 and died 7 May 1994.

Children - Graves

3. Paul Huntley Graves, b. 17 Sept. 1920, m. Constance C. Dodds, 16 May 1942, d. 17 May 1988.
4. Barbara May Graves, b. 12 Jan. 1923, m. James Joseph Butterfield, Jr., 16 Jan. 1942.
5. Eva Belle Graves, b. 1 Sept. 1924, m. Willis J. Breen, 27 June 1946.
6. Eric Rupert Graves, Jr., b. 2 Feb. 1926, m. Lucille Janette Lamberton, 20 July 1951.
7. Merle Mary Graves, b. 20 July 1927, m. J. Albert Moreau, 17 July 1948.
8. George Edward Graves, b. 24 Dec. 1928, m. Janice Eastman, 6 Nov. 1949.
9. Alice Jane Graves, b. 19 Oct. 1931, m. Wilbur Mower.

Arthur Earle Graves (2) was born 1 May 1907 and died 25 Feb. 1992. He married Marjorie Miller on 4 Sept. 1937.

Children - Graves

10. Lynn Graves, b. 1 May 1943, d. 29 Dec. 1982.
11. Sidney Graves, b. 6 Nov. 1945, m. Garey Eley, 23 Nov. 1983.

GENERATION 10

Paul Huntley Graves (3) was born 17 Sept. 1920 and died 17 May 1988. He married Constance C. Dodds on 16 May 1942. They divorced.

Children - Graves

12. Kenneth Paul Graves, b. 1 June 1946, m. Faith Snyder, 22 Feb. 1980.

Barbara May Graves (4) was born 12 Jan. 1923. She married James Joseph Butterfield, Jr. on 16 Jan. 1942. He was born 18 Dec. 1918 and died 28 Feb. 1994.

Children - Butterfield

13. Mary Elizabeth Butterfield, b. 23 Aug. 1942, m. Robert Gorton, 20 Oct. 1962.

14. Anne Theresa Butterfield, b. 20 Sept. 1946, m(1) William Brueckner, 13 Aug. 1966, m(2) Wendell Douglas, 16 Dec. 1989.

15. Helen Virginia Butterfield, b. 7 Sept. 1948, m. Earl Hall, Jr., 23 Oct. 1975.

Eva Belle Graves (5) was born 1 Sept. 1924. She married Willis J. Breen on 27 June 1946. He was born 4 June 1923 and died 25 May 1980.

Children - Breen

16. Karen Breen, b. 26 Jan. 1949, m(1) Donald Merchant, Jr., 27 July 1968, m(2) Wayne Craig, 14 July 1990.
17. Cheryl Breen, b. 24 Jan. 1951, m. Sidney Flanders, 11 Sept. 1971.
18. Andrea Breen, b. 31 Jan. 1952, m. Edwin G. Hough, 1 Oct. 1977.
19. Willis J. Breen, Jr., b. 18 Nov. 1958, m. Shelley Harrison, 8 Oct. 1988. She was b. 13 Feb. 1961.

Eric Rupert Graves, Jr. (6) was born 2 Feb. 1926. He married Lucille Janette Lamberton on 20 July 1951. She was born 2 Feb. 1928.

Children - Graves

20. Daniel Scott Graves, b. 17 Feb. 1953, m. Deborah Peavy.
21. Jeffrey Gordon Graves, b. 27 Sept. 1954, m. Nancy Shelver.
22. Janna Louise Graves, b. 2 Nov. 1955, m. Barry Twomey. Divorced.

Merle Mary Graves (7) was born 20 July 1927. She married J. Albert Moreau on 17 July 1948. He was born 19 July 1927.

Children - Moreau

23. Paula Ann Moreau, b. 29 Jan. 1950, m. Jeffrey Lyon, 27 May 1972.
24. Gary Albert Moreau, b. 9 April 1953, m. Lynn Marie Burke, 27 Aug. 1977.
25. Carlie Moreau, b. 12 Oct. 1954, m. Dennis Howland Grimm, 8 June 1974, d. 27 March 1983.
26. Mark Leonard Moreau, b. 1 Nov. 1958, m. Mary Elizabeth Moore, 8 May 1982.

George Edward Graves (8) was born 24 Dec. 1928. He married Janice Eastman on 6 Nov. 1949. She was born 1 Feb. 1930.

Children - Graves

27. Chris Graves, b. 29 Dec. 1954, m. Martha Alexander, 19 June 1982.
28. Laurie Graves, b. 31 Dec. 1955, m(1) Louis Lacroix, m(2) Dennis Grimm, m(3) Lawrence Swanson, 13 July 1991.
29. Jay Graves, b. 17 July 1957, m. Sharon Somers, 19 July 1980.
30. Allison Graves, b. 19 Aug. 1961, m. Thomas Leene, 15 Oct. 1988.
31. Jill Graves, b. 21 July 1964.
32. George Graves, Jr., b. 10 Dec. 1958, m. Eileen Norton, 8 July 1989.
33. Scott Graves, b. 9 Oct. 1972.

Alice Jane Graves (9) was born 19 Oct. 1931. She married Wilbur Mower. They divorced.

Children - Mower

34. Susan Mower, b. 11 April 1952.
35. Wilbur Mower, Jr., b. 23 June 1953, m. Barbara Berry, 18 July 1988.
36. Jona Mower, b. 20 June 1955, m. John Noughty, 2 June 1990.
37. Cynthia Mower, b. 15 Jan. 1960, m. Fred Myers, 28 Nov. 1986. He was b. 13 Feb. 1960.

Sidney Graves (11) was born 6 Nov. 1945. She married Garey Eley on 23 Nov. 1983.

Children - Eley

38. Emily Whitney Eley, b. 20 Jan. 1985.
39. Gary Eley, b. 9 Sept. 1988.

*REAR ADMIRAL THOMAS GRAVES OF
CHARLESTOWN, MA*

Mr. Frederick T. Strong, 15 Old Middleroad Tpk., Woodbury, CT 06798, wrote: "My daughter-in-law has a Graves ancestor. I have been unable to identify. Grove Lawrence, b.

1769, spent most of his life in Norfolk, CT. He married Elizabeth Robbins and they had 7 children. She died and in 1805 he married NANCY GRAVES.

He died in 1805, and on 12 July 1806 their posthumous son, E. Grove Lawrence, was born in Vernon, Oneida Co., NY. He was adopted (but name not changed) by Augustus and Susan Pettibone at the age of 4. Susan was his father's sister. E. Grove Lawrence grew up in Norfolk, CT. I don't know if she was from a Norfolk family or NY state."

ED. NOTE: Nancy Graves was descended from Rear Adm. THOMAS GRAVES of Charlestown, MA. The descent is: Thomas¹, Joseph², Richard³, Jonathan⁴, Samuel⁵, Jonathan⁶, b. 1762, m. Ann Taylor, Anne⁷ ("Nancy") Graves, b. 17 April 1788, m. Grove Lawrence.)

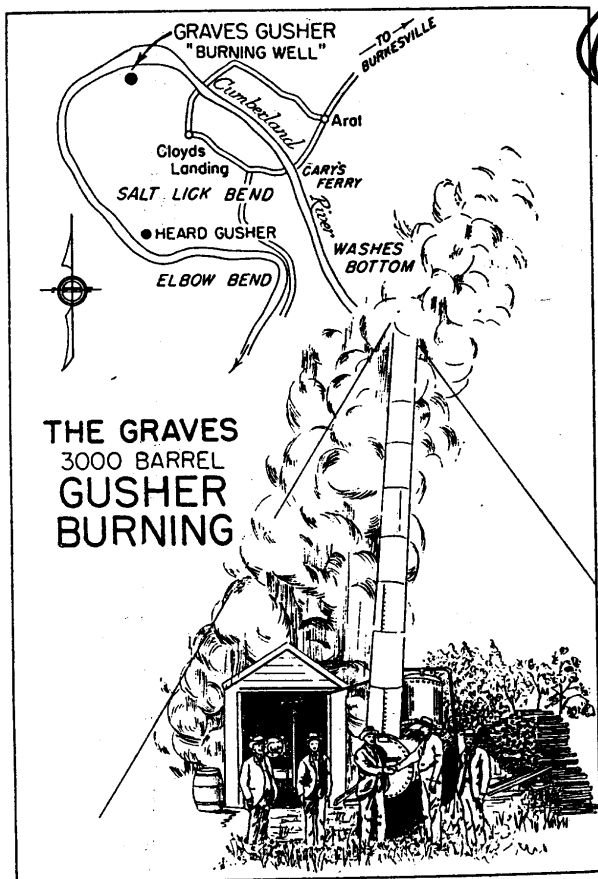
SOUTHERN GRAVES FAMILIES

Mr. Woody Burnett, 24 South 75th St., Belleville, IL 62223, wrote that his "great-grandmother, Nancy Haden Graves, was born in Cumberland Co., KY in 1837. She was the daughter of JOSEPH and Phereby GRAVES, and was the sister of Thomas Clark Graves, among others. She married Jasper Newton Dodson and died in Cumberland Co. in 1913."

He is looking for information on the siblings and parents of Joseph Graves.

(ED. NOTE: Nancy Haden Graves was a sister of Thomas Clark Graves, whose genealogy was on pp. 49-50, 1977 GFNL. Other siblings were Joe Graves and James Harrison Graves.

There was also mention of a burning oil well gusher named after Thomas Clark Graves on p. 118, 1993 GFNL. An illustration of that event wasn't included with the 1993 article, but appears below.)



THE "BURNING WELL," GREAT SPECTACLE OF THE SALT LICK BEND IN SOUTHWESTERN CUMBERLAND COUNTY, KENTUCKY, 1902.

Mr. Larry E. Gregory, 9 West Riverside Dr., Jupiter, FL 33469, is descended from William Gregory, Sr., who married SARAH ("SALLY") GRAVES, of Pittsylvania Co., VA. He has done extensive research on the Graves families of VA, and has determined a possible link for Sarah.

He suggests the possible connection could be: (1) Capt. Thomas Graves, (2) Francis, (3) Francis, m. Ann Reynolds, (4) William, b.c. 1702, m. Dorothy -----, (5) William, b. 1730, Caroline Co., VA, m. Mary Smith, (6) Sally Graves, b.c. 1752, Caroline Co., VA, d.c. 1782, Erwin, Washington Co., TN, m. William Gregory, c. 1770, Pittsylvania Co., VA.

(ED. NOTE: It appears that this tentative ancestry is not correct. First, in spite of the fact that Mrs. P. W. Hiden said this William⁴ Graves was born 1700-1702, he was actually born about 1724, as proven by oath in 1777 in Henry Co., VA. The different William⁴

Graves who had the daughter Sarah was a son of the Thomas⁵ Graves, b. 1691, who married Ann Davenport. This second William Graves also lived in Henry Co., VA, on Smith River, but did not appear on the tax list there until 1780, as discussed on pp. 36-41, 1984 GFNL. His daughter Sarah was born 1775 and married Thomas East.

It is believed that the Sally Graves who married William Gregory may have been a sister of Beverly Graves, and a daughter of a John Graves. It is not known which John Graves that is.)

Mr. Terry L. Holt, 3605 Lakeside Dr., Birmingham, AL 35243, is descended from SUSANNAH GRAVES who married Nathan Clappett. Nathan died in 1823 in TN. He would like to find Susannah's ancestry.

(ED. NOTE: On p. 70, 1983 GFNL, Mrs. Vivian S. Bandy, now deceased, was also looking for information on a Susannah Graves who married Nathan A. Clappitt in Davidson Co. (now Wilson Co.), TN in 1803.)

Mr. Thomas C. Owensby, Rt. 1, Box 653, Winterville, GA 30683, wrote: "SARA GRAVES, born early in the 1700's, was my g-g-g-g-grandmother. She married Michael Israel, son of Solomon Israel (born late 1600's). Michael was born around 1736 and probably married Sara about 20 years later." He would like to find her ancestry.

(ED. NOTE: The ancestry of Sarah Graves is not presently known, but it is believed that she might have been a sister of Mary Graves who married Col. Benjamin Cleveland and was a daughter of Joseph Graves who died 1774. It is believed that Joseph Graves was descended from Capt. Thomas Graves of VA, but the connection has not yet been found.

For another query on this Sarah Graves, see p. 19, 1993 GFNL. For queries on Mary Graves and Joseph Graves, see pp. 15 and 19, 1993 GFNL, and previously.)

Ms. Virginia Warbington, 2401 Engleford Dr., Arlington, TX 76015-1220, is trying to identify the parents of NANCY GRAVES who married Moses Starnes in 1800. She was born 1784 in GA, according to the MS census.

Nancy and Moses settled in Amite Co., MS in 1801, moved to Marion Co., MS, and then to Copiah Co., MS, where they lived out their lives. "Their eldest son, Moses Dawson Starnes, was my great-great-grandfather."

(ED. NOTE: Nancy Graves may be related to James Graves and Mary Copeland of VA & GA. Members of that family lived in the same places and there were a couple of Starnes marriages in the family.

There was also a descendant of Capt. Thomas Graves named Lewis Graves, who had a son Lewis Graves, probably b.c. 1789 in SC, m. Rebecca Starnes in NC. They moved to Wilson Co., TN in 1818 and to IL in 1851. No connection to Moses Starnes is known.)

Mrs. Virginia L. Keefer, 2065 Beechmont, Keego Harbor, MI 48320, is descended from her great-grandmother, ALCY CAROLINE GRAVES, called Caroline, b.c. 1830 (not 1820 as stated in a previous query) in Giles Co., TN, and her husband, Henry M. C. Abernathy.

She has now found the probable parents of Caroline Graves. From vol. 1, page 13, Giles Co. Chancery Court Extracts, A-Z, from the Old Records Dept.:

File Box A-14, Case 1851

David Angus vs. L. H. Graves & Others.

Andrew Keith, dec'd, left daughter Catherine B. Graves, dec'd she left Nancy A. Brown, David A. Graves, Mary Graves, Caroline Graves & Newton Graves. William F. Brown married Nancy A. Graves.

Her Caroline Graves was living with the family of Andrew Nichol in Giles Co., TN in the 1850 Giles Co., TN census at 20 years old. She is not absolutely positive that this or the Caroline Graves in the marriage record is hers. However, she has not found any other Caroline Graves who could fit. The death certificate for Mrs. Keefer's grandmother (Carissa Bell

Abernathy) stated her parents were Caroline Graves and Henry Abernathy.

The 1850 census for Giles Co., TN, shows: LENARD H. GRAVES, age 44, farmer, b. NC, wife Catherine, 38, b. NC, Nancy, 16, Alexander, 13, Martha, 11, Mary, 8, and David, 6.

The 1840 census for Giles Co., TN, shows: L. H. Graves, males: 1 under 5 (could be Alexander), 1 between 10-15 (could have been Newton), 1 between 30-40 (L. H. Graves). Females: 1 under 5 (could have been Martha), 1 between 5-10 (could have been Nancy), 1 between 20-30 (could have been Caroline, his wife).

Based on the preceding information, the family could have been as follows:

Lenard H. Graves was born about 1806 in NC. He married Catherine B. Keith, daughter of Andrew Keith. She was born about 1812 in NC.

Children - Graves

- Newton Graves, b.c. 1825-30.
- Caroline Graves, b.c. 1830.
- Nancy A. Graves, b.c. 1834, m. William F. Brown.
- Alexander Graves, b.c. 1837.
- Martha Graves, b.c. 1839.
- Mary Graves, b.c. 1842.
- David A. Graves, b.c. 1844.

She also found a Newton Graves who married Margaret E. V. Jackson 3 June 1867 in Pike Co., AL, and Alexander Graves who married Rosanna ----- about 1854 in TN. Were these 2 men the brothers of Caroline?

She also wondered whether the Lenard H. Graves could be the Leonard Henry Graves born 13 Oct. 1812 in Orange Co., VA, son of Francis Graves and Drucilla Cowherd.

(ED. NOTE: See her previous queries on p. 12, 1994 GFNL, and pp. 116, 117, 1993 GFNL.

Can anyone help with the ancestry and descendants of the Lenard H. Graves? He is definitely not the one b. 1812 in Orange Co., VA. That one married Elizabeth Garnett

Ingram and lived in Taylor Co., KY, and was a 7th generation descendant of Capt. Thomas Graves of VA.)

Mrs. Mary E. Morgan, P.O. Box 17981, Nashville, TN 37217-0981, is trying to help her husband trace his Graves ancestry. He is descended from JACOB GRAVES who married Kathleen ("Caty") Black, through their son Alfred Graves, b.c. 1818, Sumner Co., TN, m. Melissa Angeline Troutt.

(ED. NOTE: This is genealogy #13 in the membership directory and *Graves Families of the World*. It has been thought that this family might be descended from Johann Sebastian Graff (John Graves). However, there appears to be a strong possibility that the descent is from Capt. Thomas Graves of VA, based on the statement that the parents of Jacob Graves lived in Caswell Co., NC, supposedly moving to TN between 1790 and 1809.

The index to the 1800 NC census shows the following Graves heads of households in Caswell Co.: Azariah, Barzella, Barzillia Sr., Hanah, Hanah, Jacob, James, John, John, Solomon. The Caswell Co. census index for 1810 lists the following Graves names: Azariah, Azariah, Azariah Jr., Elijah H., James, John, Solomon, Thomas, William. Most, and possibly all, of these people were sons, grandsons, or widows of sons, of a John Graves who was born about 1715, died 1792 in Caswell Co., NC, and was descended from Capt. Thomas Graves of VA.

One of the Hannahs was probably the widow of Thomas, son of the John b. 1715. She died in 1802. This Hannah also had a son Jacob Graves who married Nancy Kimbrough and may have been the Jacob in the census.

It is possible that Mrs. Morgan's Jacob Graves was a son of one of the Graves head of household who was in the 1800 census but not in the 1810 census. If so, that would have to be either the other Hannah Graves or one of the John Graveses, since Jacob Graves was not old enough to be his father, and Barzillai

stayed in Caswell Co. even though he was somehow missed in 1810.

Although I cannot connect Mrs. Morgan's Jacob Graves with any of the families in Caswell Co. in 1800, since there was at least one Jacob Graves in the John Graves family and all or most of the Graves family members in Caswell Co. were part of this family, it is reasonable that Jacob Graves may have been a descendant also.

Can anyone help?)

CAPT. THOMAS GRAVES OF VA

Mr. Vern Peterson, 607 Rolling Hills Rd., Vista, CA 92083, is descended from the Spearman family, which was connected with the Graves family in colonial Virginia. He is interested in learning more about his Graves connection.

The ancestry he sent is: (1) Francis Graves, b.c. 1680, m. Ann Reynolds, (2) William Graves, b.c. 1700, m. Dorothy -----, (3) Francis Graves, b. 1724, m. Susannah -----, (4) Luca Graves, b.c. 1760, m. James Spearman, (5) Francis Spearman, b. 1791, m. Peggy Worthington.

(ED. NOTE: It is believed that the line submitted is not correct. The Francis Graves, shown as Francis³ above, was never married and left his estate to his brothers Peyton and William Graves. The correct line of descent from Capt. Thomas Graves of VA is: (1) Thomas, (2) Francis, (3) Thomas, b.c. 1684-5, m. Elizabeth Moody, (4) Francis Graves, b. 1724, m. Susannah -----, (5) Luca Graves. Francis Graves who was b.c. 1680 was a brother of Thomas who was b.c. 1684.

This is the same line of descent as that of recent new member Mrs. Glenda M. Jenson of Louisville, KY.)

Mrs. Vivian M. Gordon, 1559 South Shan Dr., Mobile, AL 36693, wrote that her husband is descended from Capt. THOMAS GRAVES of VA as follows: (1) Thomas, (2) John, (3) Ralph, m. Rachel Croshaw, (4)

Ralph, m. Unity White, (5) Henry White, m. Mary Williams, (6) Sarah Croshaw Graves, b. 1735, m. Thomas Barnett, 3 Feb. 1754, Goochland Co., VA. Ancestor charts for the descent from Thomas Barnett are on the next 2 pages.

She is interested in this part of the Graves family.

Mr. John B. Graves, 505 East Braddock Rd., Apt. 703, Alexandria, VA 22314, has just recently begun researching his family. His descent from his earliest known ancestor is: (1) William C. Graves, b. 1791, NC, (2) William Warren Graves, b. 1826, Giles Co., TN, (3) Oscar Phillip Graves, b. 1852, Maysville, Mason Co., KY, (4) Benjamin Clyde Graves, b. 1885, Mineral Springs, AR, (5) Benjamin Clyde Graves, Jr., b. 1917, Ft. Towson, OK, (6) John B. Graves, b. 1952, Oklahoma City, OK.

(ED. NOTE: The descent from Capt. THOMAS GRAVES of VA is: (1) Thomas, (2) John, (3) Ralph, (4) Ralph, (5) Henry white, (6) William, m. Mary -----, (7) William, b. 1762, Granville Co., NC, m. Anne Neal, (8) William C. Graves, b. 1791, m. Elizabeth Amis. Therefore, John B. Graves is the 13th generation from the immigrant.)

Mr. Donald E. Collins, 5400 West Hustis St., Apt. E, Milwaukee, WI 53223, wrote: "My wife's great-grandfather was Edward Douglas Graves who was born 6 Oct. 1860 in either Monroe or Greene Co., IN. He was the son of James Graves who, according to family tradition, was one of 12 brothers.

James is said to be the son of William Graves who came to IN from NC in 1818 (which sounds a bit early to me, but it is possible). William married Martha Long. We have no other information about this generation.

William Graves is said to be the son of Peter Graves and Sarah Marion for whom we have no dates or locations."

His ancestor chart is on page 71. He would like to confirm the family stories and find the earlier ancestry.

(ED. NOTE: This family seems to be descended from Capt. THOMAS GRAVES of VA as follows: Thomas¹, Francis², Francis³, William⁴, b.c. 1724, m. Dorothy (probably Smith), Peter⁵, b.c. 1750-55, d.c. 1813, possibly m(2) Sarah Merion, 1809, Peter⁶, b.c. 1785, m. Sarah Carmichael, William⁷, b. 5 Feb. 1815, m. Martha Long.

Peter Graves, Jr. married Sarah Carmichael, daughter of Archibald Carmichael and Elizabeth Nix, on 15 May 1811 in Surry Co., N.C. Bondsman was Peter Graves (probably his father). Archibald Carmichael, the administrator of the estate of Peter Graves, Sr. (inventory shown on p. 158 of Aubrey Graves' book) declared in his will, 17 March 1827, Surry Co., N.C., that he gave to his "daughter Sarah Graves all the land that I now live on, together with all the farming utensils, the land to belong to her two children Thomas Graves and Jain Graves and the said Sarah Graves." In addition, her mother Elizabeth was to live with the family. Since Archibald's will named no other grandchild, it seems unlikely that William Graves, born 5 Feb. 1815, was a son of this Peter Graves as stated in the book by Aubrey Graves. William may be a son of another Peter Graves who married Sarah Merion, and died in Indiana, although the marriage to Sarah Merion could be a second marriage to Peter, Sr.

However, Mr. D. Earl Graves, as stated on page 159 of Aubrey Graves' book, says that William Graves is definitely a son of Peter Graves, Jr. The fact that William Graves married Martha Long, daughter of Tobias Long, who was mentioned several times in the inventory of the estate of Peter Graves, Sr., would seem to indicate a close family connection. Therefore, in spite of the

PEDIGREE CHART

5 May 1994

Chart no. 1

		8 David Marion GORDON CSA-27----- BORN: 15 Feb 1821 PLACE: Mont Gordon, Giles Co., TN MARR: 18 Nov 1856 --31 PLACE:
	4 William Wallace GORDON-14----- BORN: 19 Nov 1869 PLACE: Athens, Limestone Co., AL MARR: 21 Dec 1890(div) --3 PLACE: Athens, Limestone County, AL DIED: 17 Dec 1953 PLACE: Athens, Limestone Co., AL	9 Sarah Frances WATERS-41----- BORN: 2 Jun 1836 PLACE: ,Newberry Dist., SC DIED: 19 Feb 1883 PLACE: ,Limestone Co., AL
2 Waters Francis GORDON-19----- BORN: 16 Oct 1898 PLACE: Athens, Limestone Co., AL MARR: 30 Aug 1916 --2 PLACE: Athens, Limestone Co., AL DIED: 4 Nov 1966 PLACE: Mobile, Mobile County, AL		10 Uriah William "Cap" HARDIMAN-88----- BORN: 1847 PLACE: ,Charlotte Co., VA MARR: 24 Oct 1869 --10 PLACE: ,Limestone Co., AL DIED: 1898 PLACE: ,Limestone Co., AL
	5 Lou Anna HARDIMAN-15----- BORN: 21 Nov 1873 PLACE: ,Madison Co., AL DIED: 30 Oct 1933 PLACE: Athens, Limestone Co., AL	11 Virginia Octavia MORRIS-89----- BORN: 17 Mar 1853 PLACE: Tanner, Limestone Co., AL DIED: Dec 1941 PLACE: ,Limestone Co., AL
1 Herman Benton GORDON-1----- BORN: 14 Jun 1926 PLACE: Athens, Limestone Co., AL MARR: 27 May 1951 --1 PLACE: Lucedale, George County, MS DIED: PLACE: Vivian Alice McDONALD-4812----- Spouse		12 John Everett "Jack" FIELDING-116----- BORN: 3 Aug 1839 PLACE: Athens, Limestone Co., AL MARR: 23 Oct 1860 --13 PLACE: ,Limestone Co., AL DIED: 6 Feb 1912 PLACE: Athens, Limestone Co., AL
	6 John Benton FIELDING-105----- BORN: 2 Dec 1872 PLACE: Athens, Limestone Co., AL MARR: 3 Aug 1894 --12 PLACE: ,Limestone Co., AL DIED: 10 Mar 1970 PLACE: Athens, Limestone Co., AL	13 Isabella Jane "Sweet" NEWBY-117----- BORN: 26 May 1837 PLACE: Athens, Limestone Co., AL DIED: 25 Aug 1897 PLACE: Athens, Limestone Co., AL
3 Frances Margaret FIELDING-109----- BORN: 11 Jul 1899 PLACE: Athens, Limestone Co., AL DIED: 15 Jul 1981 PLACE: Mobile, Mobile Co., AL		14 James Franklin RIDDLE-123----- BORN: 1849 PLACE: Ripley, Limestone Co., AL MARR: 19 Dec 1866 --14 PLACE: ,Limestone Co., AL DIED: 18 May 1904 PLACE: Athens, Limestone Co., AL
	7 Laura Dates RIDDLE-4361----- BORN: 25 Jan 1876 PLACE: Ripley, Limestone Co., AL DIED: 21 May 1946 PLACE: ,Limestone Co., AL	15 Henrietta Clementine HENDERSON-124----- BORN: 1848 PLACE: ,AL DIED: 30 Dec 1887 PLACE: ,Limestone Co., AL

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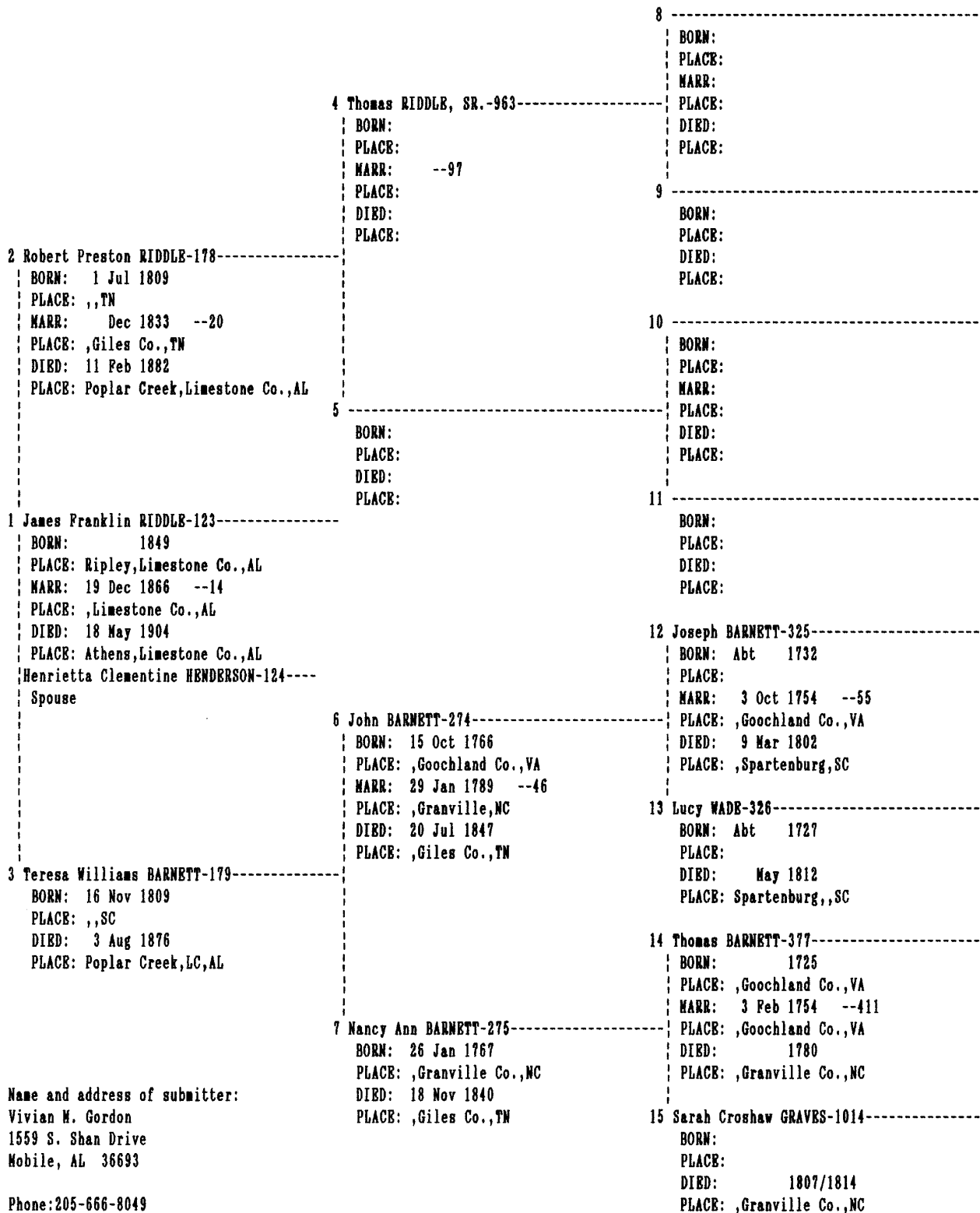
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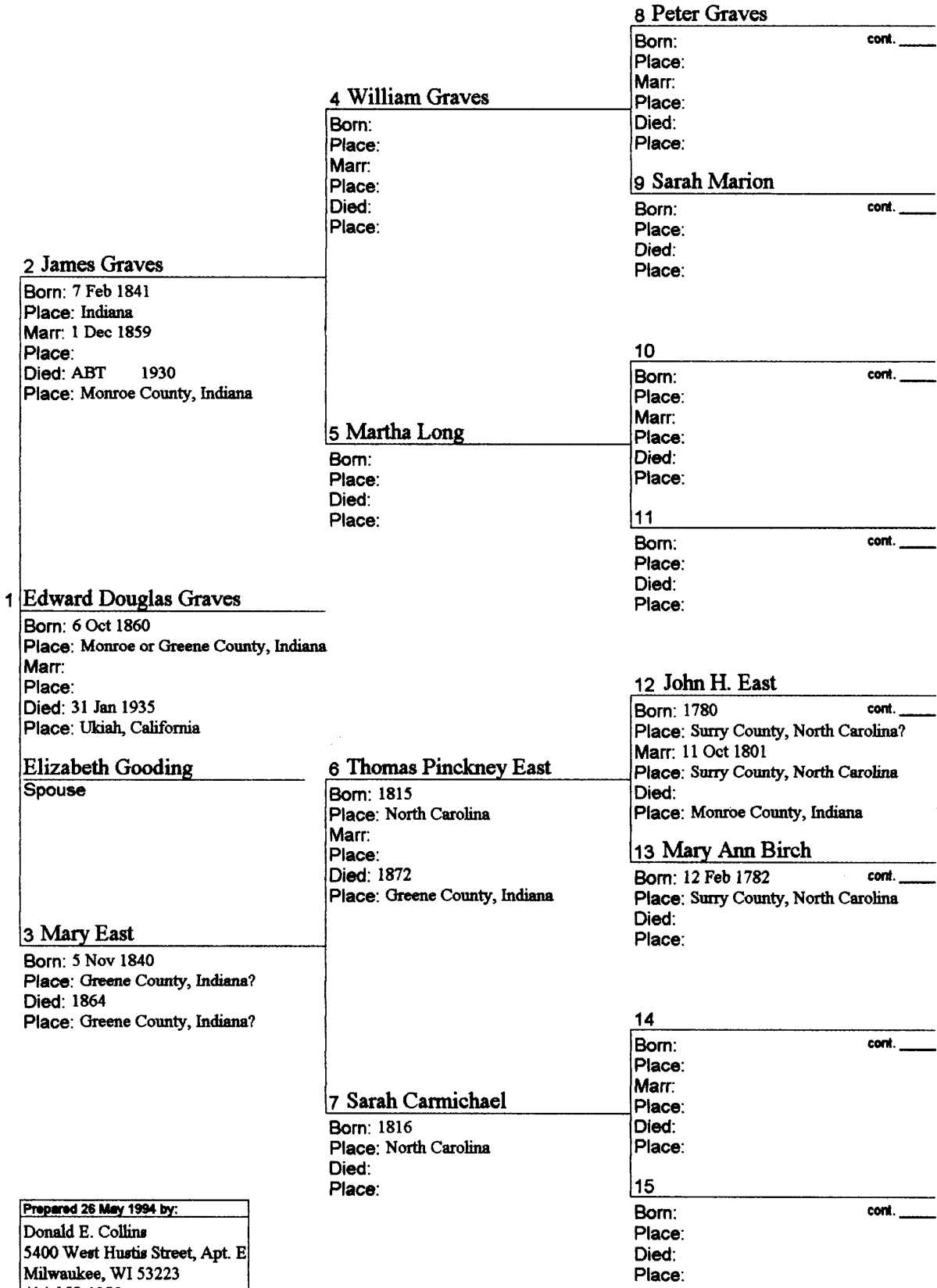
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Pedigree Chart

Chart no. 1

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questions mentioned in the preceding paragraph, William Graves is considered a possible son of Peter Graves, Jr.

Also, the 1820 census of Surry Co., N.C., lists a Peter Graves with 3 males under 10. The children presently credited to Peter Graves and Sarah Carmichael are: Jane Graves, b. 3 Feb. 1812, m. Jackson Martindale, 5 March 1840, d. 17 April 1889; Thomas Peter Graves, b. 11 Feb. 1814, m. Mary Ann Teague; William Graves, b. 5 Feb. 1815, m. Martha Long.

Help is needed to prove whether William Graves was really a son of Peter Graves and Sarah Carmichael or of another Peter Graves who married Sarah Merion. A third possibility is that Peter Graves Sr. married Sarah Merion as his second wife and had a son William, which would explain why Tobias Long was mentioned in regard to the estate of Peter Sr. and why the will of Archibald Carmichael did not mention William Graves. However, this third possibility would seem unlikely because of Peter Sr.'s death about 1813 and William being born in 1815. The date of death for Peter Sr. could be wrong, since the inventory of his estate is undated and 1813 is just an estimate.)

Mrs. Nancy Grisham, 613 Sandy Springs Lane, Virginia Beach, VA 23452, is descended from Capt. THOMAS GRAVES of VA as follows: Thomas¹, John², Thomas³, John⁴, John⁵, Ann⁶ Graves, b.c. 1725, m. John McGehee. The descent from there is: (7) Edward McGehee, b. 1758, Louisa Co., VA, m. Frances Lumsden, (8) Dabney O. McGehee, b. 1782, m. Esther Meriwether, (9) Elizabeth Lumsden McGehee, b. 1817, Abbeville Dist., SC, m. John Cochran, (10) Martha Esther Cochran, b. 1843, Greene Co., AL, m. Robert Isaac Meriwether, (11) Elizabeth Clementine Meriwether, b. 1871, m. John Belton Richardson, (12) Annie Lois Richardson, b. 1897, Greene Co., AL, m. Clifford Cochran, (13) James Earle Cochrane,

b. 1920, m. Annie Ruth Hart, (14) Nancy Cochrane, m. ----- Grisham.

She is president of the Meriwether Society, and they are in the process of compiling a new book on the Meriwether family. If you are a Meriwether descendant or know someone who is, please let her know.

(ED. NOTE: Although it may be of no interest to either Mrs. Grisham or Mr. Ole Pein, note the interest in John Davies Mereweather on page 58 of this GFNL.)

Mr. Gene S. Morrow, 2704 Peach Lane, Pasadena, TX 77502, descended from Capt. THOMAS GRAVES of VA, has sent help on a couple of his Graves ancestors.

On p. 47, 1993 GFNL, more information was requested on the family of Thomas⁷ Graves who first married ----- Miles and then Hannah Simmons. Gene wrote that article 272 by Katherine Kerr Kendall on p. 241 of *The Heritage of Caswell County, NC*, 1985, states: "Thomas married about 1770 ----- Miles, a daughter of Jacob Miles who mentioned his four Graves grandchildren in his will to wit: Jacob, John, James, and Martha Graves. About 1782 Thomas Graves married 2nd Hannah Simmons, a relative of his first wife, and her father Thomas Simmons named Thomas Graves son-in-law as executor of his will in 1794. The second wife Hannah died testate in 1803."

On p. 46, 1994 GFNL, was a question about the Kimbrough man who married Eleanor Graves, daughter of Thomas⁵ Graves and Ann Davenport. According to a book, *Birds of a Feather*, by Mary Lee Kimbrough Harris, being published by the Giles County (TN) Genealogical Society's *Bulletin*, Eleanor Graves married Thomas Kimbrough. He was b.c. 1690, married in 1741, and his will was probated in Dec. 1777 in Caswell Co., NC. The division of his estate gives names of legatees with husbands of daughters who received the legacies for their wives. His father was John Kimbrough, b. 1640 in Britain, d. 1715 in New Kent Co., VA. He married 3 times: Mary Douglas, Sarah Bradley (mother of Thomas), and Margaret Bulkley.