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# The Pierre Chastain Family Association

Established in 1975, the **Pierre Chastain Family Association** is dedicated to the preservation and development of records and data about Chastain families. The Chastain name has varied spellings, with the most common variations being *Castine*, *Chastaine*, *Chasteen*, *Chasten*, *Chesteen*, *Shasteen*, *Shastine*, and *Shastid*. Unless your ancestors are recent immigrants, it is thought that most people who use one of these spelling variations are descendants of Dr. Pierre Chastain, a French Huguenot who migrated to America in 1700.

The Pierre Chastain Family Association maintains historical and genealogical information on thousands of Chastain descendants. The PCFA's genealogist, serving in a volunteer capacity (as do all board members), supervises and directs the compilation of genealogical records of the ancestors and descendants of Pierre Chastain, provides the membership with assistance in accessing data and gives research tips and advice to those doing further research on Chastain and related genealogy. Send your genealogical data (GEDCOMs, lineage, etc.) to our genealogist. The association has a historian who directs the compilations and writing of biographies, family histories, and personal histories pertaining to ancestors and descendants of Pierre Chastain.

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## THE CHESTNUT TREE

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## President's Page

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### *2021 Pierre Chastain Family Association Reunion*

By this time everyone should have heard that the 2021 Pierre Chastain Family Association (PCFA) Reunion was canceled. It was not a choice we made lightly. Most of us have been cooped up for quite some time and would really like to get our lives back to “normal.” You know, the way it was way back in 2019. But maybe this is a new normal that we’re going to have to get used to for a while.

When we started to make plans to have the reunion, COVID-19 was receding back to manageable levels and the Delta variant levels were low. To be proactive, we felt that we should try and make an attempt at getting together. Thus, we went forward with plans to have the reunion, knowing that we might possibly have to cancel those plans depending on what this nefarious disease might do.

So where does that leave us? Fortunately — or unfortunately, depending upon your point of view — we are lucky to have several PCFA Board members that are Zoom patrons and they volunteered the use of their accounts to help us out. Therefore, notices were sent out for both our annual PCFA Board meeting and our PCFA Family meeting.

If you made hotel reservations at the Hilton Garden Inn in Cartersville, Georgia, for the reunion please remember to cancel your reservation.

#### *Notes:*

1. If you have not joined the PCFA Facebook group or *Chastain Chatter* (both hosted by our Social Media coordinator, Karyl Chastain Beal), I would recommend you do so. Both are free to members and non-members. Reunion information regarding the Zoom calls is posted in these publications as it becomes available.
2. One of the things I try to do is to keep the family interest up regarding our genealogy. Sometimes it’s difficult because we are so scattered. We’re not only scattered physically, but are scattered by the fact that our ancestors followed the opening of land

across these United States, and as they did, it wasn't in their mindset to keep track of their ancestors. So, I've been contemplating whether it would be feasible to do an investigation into the "Lost Tribes of the Chastains."

For some of us things are not so clear-cut when we start tracing our paths back to Pierre Chastain, or his family. I, for one, have had to scratch tooth and nail to find any information regarding my great-grandfather. You would think that being four generations apart would be no big deal. However, when there is no birth or death certificate, it gets to be somewhat confusing to try and connect people.

So, you have to start relying on news articles, newspapers, and anything else you can find. I know my father swore that my great-grandfather was an orphan and was shipped over from France when he was about 6 years old. But my uncle (father's brother) said when he asked my grandfather, he was told that "our people" came out of South Carolina. This second scenario actually fits what was happening when the Native American lands were opened to homesteaders in Georgia.

In any case, we will continue working our projects with DNA and Alzheimer's research, as well as any other projects we deem of interest to our members.

Once again, stay happy, healthy and safe and I hope to see you on future Zoom calls, if not at the 2022 reunion. Take care.

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## The PCFA Facebook Group

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The PCFA Facebook group seems to be a hub of activity, similar to the old message boards that were sprinkled all over the Internet years ago. Chastain family members from all over the country have joined the group, while some of our members live in other countries. People share information, discuss, ask questions, and connect.

The Facebook group is also a good place to promote the Pierre Chastain Family Association and its mission. We do that regularly.

During the past three months, we approved about 50 new members, making a total at this time of 1,171 members.

Facebook has a section for group managers to see the activity level of the group. According to the Facebook report, during the past sixty days, there were 957 active members of the group.

In the last sixty days, the chart shows that there have been 88 posts made in the group, 1,170 comments and 2,891 reactions.

During this time period, Wednesday seems to be the busiest day for the Facebook group, and 8:00 p.m. seems to be the most popular time for posting.

It's a pleasure to go to the PCFA Facebook group each day and see Chastain cousins happy to be connecting with each other. If you're on Facebook and aren't in the PCFA group, we hope you'll join us there.

Visit our Facebook group at: [www.Facebook.com/groups/pierrechastain](http://www.Facebook.com/groups/pierrechastain)



## Errata & Addenda:

### *Additional Information on Family and Descendants, John Chastain (page 115, Volume I)*

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A continued effort to document additional information on, and correct where possible previously published data on, lines of descent from Pierre Chastain, and to document in our official publications those families whose ancestry is uncertain and previously unpublished, this series of articles serves as an *Errata and Addenda II* for the *Pierre Chastain and His Descendants* books. This narrative outlines additional information on the family and descendants of John Chastain (*Pierre Chastain and His Descendants, Volume I*, page 115, #100).

There are some minor corrections from *Volume I*, but the bulk is research analysis of additional demographic and legal documentation for the subjects. Minor children included in enumerations prior to 1850 are related and the four known children who survived to be adults have greatly expanded profiles, including children and grandchildren.

Please send any further additions and/or corrections on this, or any other lineage, whether previously published in *Pierre Chastain and His Descendants* or *The Chestnut Tree*.

Jimmy Chesteen,  
PCFA Genealogist

#### **100. John Chastain (Peter<sup>3</sup>, Rene<sup>2</sup>, Sr., Pierre<sup>1</sup>)**

1. **John<sup>4</sup> Chastain** (Peter<sup>3</sup>, Rene<sup>2</sup>, Sr., Pierre<sup>1</sup>), son of Peter and Sarah (Porter) Chastain, was born between 1766 and 1774 probably in Virginia, since his birth was prior to 1774 and probably prior to the arrival of his father (Peter) and grandfather (Rene) in South Carolina, and died circa 1836 in Abbeville District, South Carolina. He married about 1795 probably in South Carolina, Frances Cain, who was born about 1775 and died between 1820 and 1830 in Abbeville District. The John Chastain household recorded in the 1800 Abbeville District, SC, Federal Census is the apparent son of Peter Chastain and his alleged first wife Sarah Porter. John's wife's name is recorded as Frances Cain in numerous early DAR and SAR documents, applications from her grandchildren. John and Frances would have married between 1790-95

based on the births of the children. John is probably one of the occupants of his father's home (Peter) in 1790 and married shortly thereafter. The 1800 Census is John's first enumeration and his name is rendered as Shatteen or Shottean. He is again noted in Abbeville Federal Censuses to 1820 and is highly likely as the elder male in James Chastain's household in 1830, also in Abbeville, Frances likely dying in the 1820s. The Census enumerations are fairly consistent, the 1810 and 1820 records increment as expected of a growing family. The 1800 record contains a male born prior to 1790 and a female born in or earlier than 1800. The male is not recorded again, possibly a child but more so a potential sibling of either John or Frances. The female could be one of the three females seen in later Census records.

1800	1810	1820	
Male 1785-90	-----	-----	(unknown)
Male 1790-00	Male 1795-00	Male 1794-02	(William)
Male 1790-00	Male 1795-00	Male 1794-02	(James)
-----	Male 1800-09	Male 1794-02	(Allen)
-----	Male 1800-09	Male 1802-04	(unknown)
Male 1756-74	Male 1766-84	Male 1810-19	(John)
Female 1790-00	Female 1800-09	Female -----	(Beersheba)
-----	Female 1800-09	Female 1804-19	(unknown)
-----	Female 1800-09	Female -----	(unknown)

The 1810 census implies some 7 minors that are probable children, 5 under the age of 10 (2 males and 3 females) and 2 (males) age 10-15. So, it would appear that children were born as early as 1795. The 1820 enumeration again notes some 7 members that are potential offspring with one potential addition of a male child under 10. In comparing the brackets for the three census records, it would appear that John had at least 8 children, possibly 10 if the male of 1800 is included and the female of 1800 differs from those recorded in 1810 and 1820. There are certainly 3 males born 1795-1802, 1 male born between 1802-1804, and 3 females born between 1800 and 1809 with one apparently born in or after 1804. Since John's will only mentioned 5 children, at least 3 are unknown and potentially died prior to his death.

Both the eldest male and female of 1800 were included in the 26-to-44 age bracket, born between 1756 and 1774. Both were again included in this bracket in 1810 thus narrowing the range 1766 to 1774. In 1820 the eldest male was noted as greater than 45 (born prior to 1775) while the female was once again rendered as 26 to 45 (born 1776 to 1794). So, it would seem that John was born between 1766 and 1774 and Frances possibly somewhat younger in this same range.

John was not listed as head of household in 1830 but he could be the elder male residing in the home of James Chastain that Census year. However the age of the older male in

James's home is increased to a birth circa 1755. There is not a female of age to be Frances noted in any of the children's homes; she apparently died in the 1820s.

John's will was written 28 May 1834 and probated 17 Jul 1837. His son Allen B. Chastain and his son-in-law, Henry Hoes, were named as executors. Sons James, William and John and daughter Beersheba Hoes were included as heirs. Frances was not mentioned, nor were other potential children or grandchildren. Witnesses were Thomas Ferguson, Samuel Edmonds, and Fredrick Smith.

As Allen also only mentioned the same four heirs in his will of 1847, the three unknown minors of the early Censuses were not biological children or are presumed to have died prior to 1837.

Children of John and Frances (Cain) Chastain, all born in Abbeville District, South Carolina:

- + 2 i. **William<sup>5</sup> Chastain**, born between 1795 and 1800; died 31 January 1854 in Lee County, Georgia; buried at Chastain Cemetery, Lee County; possibly married (1) unknown about 1815, 2) Elizabeth Ruffman and 3) 8 August 1839 in Abbeville District, Jane Laramore.
- + 3 ii. **James<sup>5</sup> Chastain**, born between 1795 and 1800; died in 1855 in Lee County; died in 1855 in Houston County, Georgia; married between 1830 and 1833 in Abbeville District, Harriett E.
- 4 iii. **Allen B.<sup>5</sup> Chastain**, born between 1800 and 1802; died in October 1847 in Houston County; buried at Evergreen Cemetery, Houston County. Since Allen is not recorded on the 1840 Census he is presumed to be the older male noted in the household of his brother John M. Chastain in 1840 in Houston County, Georgia. The enumeration does not note any other adults besides John and his wife, Sophia. All minors are of correct number and age to be children of John and Sophia, thus this older male resident seems to be single.  

It has been presumed that Allen was a single man, but could he be the Allen "Christin" of 1830 Edgefield, SC? If so, then he was apparently married with two children. Allen died a single man in Houston County, so, if this was his family, they had preceded him.
- + 5 iv. **Beersheba Elizabeth<sup>5</sup> Chastain**, born 6 February 1808; died 20 October 1866 in Houston County, Georgia; buried at Evergreen Cemetery; married about 1825 in Abbeville District, SC, to Henry Hoes. Henry was born about 1814.
- 6 v. **Unknown Female<sup>5</sup> Chastain**, born between 1800 and 1809.



- 7 vi. **Unknown Female<sup>5</sup> Chastain**, born between 1800 and 1809.
- 8 vii. **Unknown Male<sup>5</sup> Chastain**, born between 1802 and 1804. Allen Chastain seemed to be meticulous in dividing his property with his sister and brothers; only Beersheba, James, William, and John M. were mentioned, so it seems probable that the three unknown children, including this male were deceased by 1847, if indeed they were siblings.
- + 9 viii. **John Madison<sup>5</sup> Chastain**, born 9 December 1807; died 2 April 1884 in Randolph County, Georgia; buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Randolph County; married 18 August 1836 in Perry, Houston County, Sophia Elvira Spivey. Sophia was born about 1819 and died in 1894.

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2. **William<sup>5</sup> Chastain** (John<sup>4</sup>, Peter<sup>3</sup>, Rene<sup>2</sup>, Sr., Pierre<sup>1</sup>), son of John and Frances (Cain) Chastain, was born between 1795 and 1800 in Abbeville District, South Carolina and died on 31 January 1854 in Lee County, Georgia. He was buried at Chastain Cemetery, Lee County. He possibly married (1) about 1815, unknown, William married (2) Elizabeth Ruffman in the mid-1830s and (3) on 8 August 1839 in Abbeville District, Jane Laramore. There doesn't seem to be another logical choice for the William Chastain household recorded in 1820 in Abbeville District, South Carolina except as the son of John Chastain and Frances Cain named in John's will.

But, the household is certainly not a complete match with latter records of the household. The eldest male and the eldest female's ages are given as 26 to 45. There are 3 minors recorded, all under the age of 10, 2 males and 1 female. One would assume, based on the children's ages, a couple nearer to 26 than to 45 years old. This age bracket seems to be somewhat older than expected for William. William is missing from or not identified in the 1830 and 1840 Census records. William is the apparent husband of Elizabeth Ruffman whose obituary appeared in the Augusta Georgia Chronicle: "... death of Elizabeth Chastain, wife of William Chastain of Edgefield District, South Carolina." Elizabeth was buried in the Creswell Family Graveyard in the area that became Greenwood (Correction: not Greenville) County, South Carolina and her grave marker read: "Mrs. Elizabeth Chastain, died 2 April 1838, age 23 years." The following year, William Chastain married Jane Larrimore, 8 August 1839, Abbeville District, South Carolina.

So, if the aforementioned data regarding William's marriages are correct and considering the information provided on the 1820 Census then he was possibly married to an unidentified

person prior to Elizabeth and Jane. Elizabeth was born circa 1815 so she could not be the elder female of 1820. The three children in 1820 are unidentified in future records, had William married a widow with children, could this have been a sibling, etc.? The children recorded in the 1850 Census for his family would all be by Jane Larrimore if birth years were correctly related.

The family is recorded in 1850 in Lee County, Georgia. William gave his age as 53 (1797) and Jane as 27 (1823). Four minor children are noted in the home, but one child buried in the old Chastain Cemetery would seem to be a son, John Allen (1844-46). The daughter Mary (Frances) died in 1853 and is also buried in the Chastain Cemetery with a child who was born and died in 1852, Benjamin Allen Chastain. All the children of 1850 were recorded with births in Georgia, thus the family had relocated from South Carolina prior to 1840. William is residing very near to his brother James. And perhaps he was in Richmond County in 1840 with James. William is listed as a founder and charter member of Eureka Masonic Lodge in 1849, located in Starksville, Lodge #95, and the first in Lee County.

William was the owner of 14 slaves on the 1850 schedule and reported a real estate value of \$10,000. He was reported as the owner of 202 acres of land of the first quality and 810 acres of pine land on the 1852 tax roll for Lee County. He was the executor for A. (Allen) B. Chastain, 50 acres. And, he was the trustee for the children of James Chastain, 500 acres. William's aggregate value of land was \$7000.00; that of James was \$2300.00.

William apparently died circa 1854 as Jane had remarried about 1855 or 56 to Christian Staley. Jane, Christian, and family are located in Jackson County, Florida in 1860 and residing with her is her and William's son Morgan Chastain. Two of the other children, William and James, were residing with their apparent grandfather James Laramore in Lee County. The daughter Elizabeth is unidentified in the 1860 Census. Morgan, Martha, and James Chastain were noted as minor children in 1866 probate in Lee County with their brother William H. as their trustee, Martha apparently was born after 1850 and near or after her father's death. William H. certainly survived the Civil War as this name is noted on several documents post war in Lee County. James and Martha are unidentified past the 1866 probate record. Marriage records indicate that the daughter Elizabeth married Alonzo McKenzie and her family resided in Macon County, Georgia. Morgan left records in Randolph, Macon, and Lee Counties in the 1870s and 1880s.

There is confusion regarding the grave marker of William Chastain in the Chastain Cemetery. The transcription of marker gives a death date of 31 Jan 1854 and an age of 32 years. A photo of the grave is not available. So, who is this William born about 1822, or was the age given or transcribed incorrectly, based on the Censuses, his age should be between 55 and 60 years of age.

Children of William Chastain and his wife, Jane Laramore:

- 10 i. **William H.<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born about 1840 in Georgia. William was residing with his grandfather, James Larrimore at the recording of the 1860 Census, also in the home was his brother James. William H Chastain was appointed 1st Sergeant of Company F, 7th Regiment, Georgia State Troops November 22, 1861. Date of discharge not given. He then enlisted as a private in Company B, 51st Regiment, Georgia Infantry March 4, 1862 and was elected Junior 2nd Lieutenant June 12, 1862, and Captain May 1, 1863. William resigned April 22, 1864.

William applied for duty again in late 1864 but was denied. He was disqualified for any active duty; he apparently received some sort of a serious bodily injury during his service. Records show hospitalization but no cause or injury specified. His residence was given as "Macon", the county of residence of his sister Elizabeth, in his service records of 1864 but the units he served in originated in Lee County.

William H. Chastain was appointed guardian of his minor siblings, James, Martha, and Morgan in probate of Lee County, Georgia, probate date of 21 May 1866. Others, besides William, providing bond security were A. (Alonzo) S. McKensie (husband of his sister Elizabeth), and William D. Green (unknown relation to family).

He was residing in Lee County on 11 Jul 1867 when he registered to vote in district 10. He is not recorded there in the 1870 Census.

- + 11 ii. **Elizabeth A.<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born 14 February 1843 in Georgia; died 21 March 1890 in Macon County, Georgia ; buried at McKenzie Family Cemetery, Macon County; married Alonzo S. McKenzie. Alonzo was born on 26 January 1837 in Georgia and died on 10 January 1891 in Macon County. He was buried at McKenzie Family Cemetery.
- 12 iii. **John Allen<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born 22 October 1844 in Georgia; died 6 November 1846 in Lee County; buried at Chastain Cemetery.
- 13 iv. **James<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born about 1847 in Lee County; died after 1860. James is residing with his maternal grandfather, James Laramore, in 1860, his whereabouts thereafter are currently unknown.
- 14 v. **Mary Frances<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born in July 1849 in Lee County; died there in September 1853; buried at Chastain Cemetery.

- 15 vi. **Benjamin Allen<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born 29 March 1852 in Lee County; died there 10 November 1852; buried at Chastain Cemetery.
- + 16 vii. **Morgan Enoch<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born 25 September 1853 in Lee County; died 27 December 1918 in Macon County; buried at Felton Cemetery, Macon County; married (1) 20 December 1876 in Macon County, Victoria R. McKenzie. Victoria was born there in 1863 and died there about 1877. Morgan married (2) 17 December 1878 in Lee County, Permelia Narcissa Larrimore. Permelia was born about 1857.
- 17 viii. **Martha<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born about 1854.

Possible Children of William Chastain and [--?--]:

- 18 ix. **Unknown Male<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born between 1810 and 1820.
- 19 x. **Unknown Female<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born between 1810 and 1820.
- 20 xi. **Unknown Male<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born between 1810 and 1820.

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3. **James<sup>5</sup> Chastain** (John<sup>4</sup>, Peter<sup>3</sup>, Rene<sup>2</sup>, Sr., Pierre<sup>1</sup>), son of John and Frances (Cain) Chastain, was born between 1795 and 1800 in Abbeville District and died in 1855 in Lee County. He died in 1855 in Houston County, Georgia. Resident of Lee in 1850 but probate of estate occurred in Houston County. James married between 1830 and 1833 in Abbeville District, Harriett E. James is recorded in Abbeville District, South Carolina as a head of household, male age 30 to 39 (1790-1799) with an older male age 70-79, his presumed father, John Chastain (1750-60) on the 1830 Federal Census. It is probable that James is the person of the same name noted in Richmond County, Georgia in 1840, same age frame but now with an apparent younger wife and three small children. Certainly he shows up in Lee County, Georgia in 1850 but the sons and wife of 1840 are not noted, however two daughters, Caroline and Frances were recorded. Caroline would seem to be the female age 0-5 on the 1840 Richmond County enumeration.

Loose notes from former PCFA Genealogist Gerre Buland references two names for sons of James Chastain: James and Richard. The only geographical reference is that James Chastain died in Lee County, Georgia, on 6 Jun 1848 and Richard on 10 Jun 1848. Births were related for James as 1833 and Richard in 1835. There is no source for the origin of this

material but the two boys match very well for what is considered James's home in 1840 in Richmond County. The 1850 mortality schedule records the death of Harriet E. Chastain, 44-year-old born in South Carolina who died of a fever, duration of 14 days, in Feb 1850, Lee County, Georgia. She is certainly a prime candidate for James's wife. James reported 6 slaves in his possession on the 1850 schedule.

Neither he nor the girls of the 1850 record haven been located in further records except for James's probate that was recorded on 2 Apr 1855, thus an inferred death of earlier in the year of 1855. But, the tax rolls of Lee County in 1852 recorded James's brother William as the trustee of 500 acres of land for the children of James Chastain. So, it would seem that James had died between the Census in 1850 and 1852. The probate was recorded in Houston County, but apparently James died in Lee County. Harriet did die in Lee County and the probability is high that she would be buried in the Chastain Cemetery, likewise for James. The probate related that John H. Hose (a son of James's sister Beersheba) was appointed guardian of Frances Chastain, this was acknowledged by Christian J. Staly (second husband of William Chastain's widow Jane Larramore) and Robert E. Hose (also son of Beersheba Chastain), Caroline was not mentioned.

Children of James and Harriett [-?-] Chastain:

- 21 i. **Unknown Male (James)<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born between 1830 and 1835 in South Carolina; died 6 June 1848 in Lee County. Possibly James Chastain born 1833 who has an unsourced death date of 6 Jun 1848 in Lee County, Georgia.
- 22 ii. **Unknown Male (Richard)<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born between 1830 and 1835 in South Carolina; died 10 June 1848 in Lee County. Male of this age not noted in James' home in 1850, possibly deceased unless he is the same as the unsourced record of a Richard Chastain born 1835 who died in Lee County, Georgia on 6 Jun 1848
- 23 iii. **Caroline<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born in 1838 in South Carolina, perhaps deceased by the time of her father's probate in 1855.
- 24 iv. **Frances<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born in 1843 in Georgia. Could Frances be the Fannie Chastain who married William A. Henson (indexed as Homer) on 2 Feb 1858 in Houston County or was this a first marriage for Fannie, the daughter of John Madison Chastain. Or, Fannie, James's daughter might have been the Fannie who married Thomas Ruff and John Madison's daughter the person who married Henson.

*349. Beersheba Elizabeth Chastain (John<sup>4</sup>, Peter<sup>3</sup>, Rene<sup>2</sup>, Sr., Pierre<sup>1</sup>)*

5. **Beersheba Elizabeth<sup>5</sup> Chastain** (John<sup>4</sup>, Peter<sup>3</sup>, Rene<sup>2</sup>, Sr., Pierre<sup>1</sup>), daughter of John and Frances (Cain) Chastain, was born between 1800 and 1804 in Abbeville District of South Carolina according to Census enumerations but various other records including her grave marker relate a birthdate of 6 February 1808. Beersheba died on 20 October 1866 in Houston County, Georgia and was buried at Evergreen Cemetery, Houston County. She married about 1825 in Abbeville District, Henry Hoes, who was born about 1814. Beersheba should be the eldest female in the household of Henry Hose in 1830 Abbeville, South Carolina Census, age 20 to 29. The household has the appearance of a man (age 30-39) who had remarried after the loss of his first wife as there are two children, male and female, whose ages relate births 1810-15 with a second male born 1815-20. The older births are a stretch for being Beersheba's children based on her age. There are two males, 0-5 and 5-10, who are a fit for potential children of Beersheba.

Beersheba seems to be the B. Hose of 1840 Abbeville County, South Carolina; there are no other Hose or Hoes families listed. There are two males age 10-14 that would match the youngest males of the 1830 household and two females age 5-10 born since 1830. The eldest female rendered a birth between 1800 and 1810. However, there is a male age 50-60 (1780-90). This age is too old for Henry and if him why was he not listed as head of household? The age doesn't fit for one of Beersheba's brothers either.

By 1840 Beersheba had relocated to the proximity of her brothers in Houston County, Georgia. She is recorded as head of home with two potential children residing with her, Robert and Elizabeth Hoes. She was again recorded in Houston County in 1860 and apparently resided there until her death in 1866.

Children of Beersheba E. Chastain and Henry Hoes, all born in Abbeville District:

- + 25 i. **John H.<sup>6</sup> Hoes**, born 20 December 1825; died 4 October 1888 in Houston County; buried at Evergreen Cemetery; married about 1855 in Houston County, Laura P. Pattishall. Laura was born on 1 August 1839 and died on 12 April 1911. She was buried at Evergreen Cemetery.
- + 26 ii. **Robert E.<sup>6</sup> Hoes**, born about 1831; died 28 June 1883 in Wakulla County, Florida; married (1) about 1856 in Houston County, Arabella Vivian Pattishall. Arabella was born on 6 October 1840 and died on 22 January 1857 in Houston County. She was buried at Evergreen Cemetery. Robert married (2) 14

December 1863 in Houston County, Martha Tooke. Robert married (3) 10 February 1874 in Decatur County, Georgia, Lela A. Evans.

- + 27 iii. **Mary Frances “Fanny”<sup>6</sup> Hoes**, born in 1832; died 17 August 1917 in Oxford, Newton County, Georgia; buried at Evergreen Cemetery; married in 1848, Charles Alexander Thompson.
- 28 iv. **Elizabeth Caroline<sup>6</sup> Hoes**, born 30 August 1835; died 16 August 1860 in Houston County; buried at Evergreen Cemetery. In 1860 Robert Hoes is residing in his own household, next door to his mother, Houston County. A female, Elizabeth, whose age is either 23 or 25, and a male, John H. Hoes, age 3 are recorded in his home. It is interesting that Elizabeth is recorded with a personal estate of \$2700, unusual for a wife to have a separate estate from her husband. This gives rise to the probability that Elizabeth was not a second wife of Robert’s but rather his sister “Eliza” Caroline Hoes. Eliza was probably residing with Robert to take care of the young son since Arabella’s death some three years prior. Unfortunately, Eliza passed away just over a month after the Census was recorded.

*351. John Madison Chastain (John<sup>4</sup>, Peter<sup>3</sup>, Rene<sup>2</sup>, Sr., Pierre<sup>1</sup>)*

9. **John Madison<sup>5</sup> Chastain** (John<sup>4</sup>, Peter<sup>3</sup>, Rene<sup>2</sup>, Sr., Pierre<sup>1</sup>), son of John and Frances (Cain) Chastain, was born on 9 December 1807 in Abbeville District, South Carolina and died on 2 April 1884 in Randolph County, Georgia. He was buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Randolph County. He married on 18 August 1836 in Perry, Houston County, Georgia Sophia Elvira Spivey, who was born about 1819 and died in 1894, daughter of Littleton and Celia (Coward) Spivey. John and Sophia are noted as residents of Houston County, Georgia from 1840 until 1860. The 1840 enumeration appears to include other persons not of John and Sophia’s immediate family. Besides John (20-29) and Sophia (15-19), another male age 20-29 is listed and a male age 30-39 is recorded. Both males would appear to be single adults as Sophia is the only adult female noted and the two children would appear to be Frances and Littleton of later records. It is very likely that the male born 1801-10 is John’s brother Allen who died in Houston County in 1847. The second male is unaccounted for as John seems to be the youngest child of his parents, perhaps a relative of Sophia’s or a potential son of Allen if he was ever married. It seems that two persons buried in the Evergreen Cemetery are also children, John Walter Chastain and Annie Sophia Chastain.

Children of John and Sophia (Spivey) Chastain:

- 29 i. **Frances “Fannie” C.<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born about 1837 in Georgia; was possibly the Frances Chastain who married 28 January 1866 in Houston County, Thomas J. Ruff.
- 30 ii. **Littleton Spivey “Lit”<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born 9 March 1840 in Georgia; died 16 July 1906 in Randolph County; buried at Greenwood Cemetery; married 20 November 1873 in Randolph County, Mary F. Harris. Mary was born in 1853 in Georgia and died in 1941 in Duval, Florida. Enrolled in the 11th Battalion, Artillery (Sumter Artillery), CSA in 1862. Littleton was practicing law in 1880 in Randolph County, Georgia.
- + 31 iii. **Thomas Allen<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born 15 July 1842 in Georgia; died 5 January 1888 at Atlanta, Fulton, Georgia; buried at Oakland Cemetery, Atlanta, Georgia ; married 12 November 1862 in Fulton County, Georgia, Gandalona Viola Badger. Gandalona was born on 29 September 1845 in DeKalb County, Georgia and died on 5 February 1897 in Florida.
- + 32 iv. **Mary Busbea<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born 1 November 1844 in Georgia; died 4 January 1909; married John Wesley Mattox. John was born on 8 January 1841 and died on 8 October 1914.
- 33 v. **James K.<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born about 1847 in Georgia.
- 34 vi. **John Walter<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born 20 July 1851; died 13 August 1853 in Houston County; buried at Evergreen Cemetery.
- 35 vii. **Annie Sophia<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born between 1852 and 1854 in Houston County; died there 30 August 1854; buried at Evergreen Cemetery. Gravestone birth year un-readable. Assumed to be a daughter of John Madison and Sophia Elvira Spivey Chastain based on location and name.
- 36 viii. **John M.<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born about 1856 in Georgia.
- 37 ix. **Ella Lou<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born 13 April 1858 in Perry; died 12 May 1930 in Bowie, Texas; buried at Hillcrest Cemetery, Bowie; married (1) 30 November 1886 in Randolph County, F. L. Wisdom. Ella married (2) 25 November 1915 in Bowie, S. M. Ragland.
- + 38 x. **Clifford Ann<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born in 1862 in Perry; died 14 November 1938 at Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California; buried at Edgemont Cemetery, Calhoun County, Alabama; married in 1891, Joseph Edward Aderhold I.



- + 39 xi. **Lucille Estelle “Lucy Jane”<sup>6</sup> Chastain**, born in August 1865 in Cuthbert, Randolph County; died 9 October 1922 at New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana; buried at Metairie Cemetery, New Orleans; married (1) 31 December 1885 in Randolph County, Arnold Keene Wilson. Lucy Jane married (2) Allsey Oscar Browne, M.D, D.D.. Allsey was born in March 1864 in Kentucky and died on 22 September 1938 at New Orleans. He was buried at Metairie Cemetery, New Orleans.

*Third Generation (Grandchildren of 100. John Chastain)*

11. **Elizabeth A.<sup>6</sup> Chastain** (William<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Peter<sup>3</sup>, Rene<sup>2</sup>, Sr., Pierre<sup>1</sup>), daughter of William and Jane (Laramore) Chastain, was born on 14 February 1843 in Georgia and died on 21 March 1890 in Macon County, Georgia. She was buried at McKenzie Family Cemetery, Macon County. She married Alonzo S. McKenzie, who was born on 26 January 1837 in Georgia and died on 10 January 1891 in Macon County. He was buried at McKenzie Family Cemetery.

Children of Elizabeth A. Chastain and her husband, Alonzo S. McKenzie:

- 40 i. **William A.<sup>7</sup> McKenzie**, born in 1861.
- 41 ii. **Victoria R.<sup>7</sup> McKenzie**, born in 1863 in Macon County; died there about 1877; married there 20 December 1876, Morgan Enoch Chastain. Morgan was born on 25 September 1853 in Lee County, Georgia and died on 27 December 1918 in Macon County. He was buried at Felton Cemetery, Macon County. Victoria apparently died within two years of her marriage to Morgan Enoch Chastain, no apparent children.
- 42 iii. **Madora “Dora”<sup>7</sup> McKenzie**, born 25 March 1864 in Macon County; died there 12 November 1886; buried at McKenzie Family Cemetery; married 8 April 1886 in Macon County, Washington Baker.
- 43 iv. **Julia C.<sup>7</sup> McKenzie**, born there in 1869. Julia was not in the household in 1880, apparently died between the Census years.
- + 44 v. **Annie<sup>7</sup> McKenzie**, born 23 August 1872 in Macon County; died 9 June 1955 in Dooley County, Georgia; buried at Walnut Cemetery, Dooley County; married 5 March 1890 in Dooley County, Frank Quinn Folkes. Frank was born there on 6 January 1870 and died there on 17 August 1939.

16. **Morgan Enoch<sup>6</sup> Chastain** (William<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Peter<sup>3</sup>, Rene<sup>2</sup>, Sr., Pierre<sup>1</sup>), son of William and Jane (Laramore) Chastain, was born on 25 September 1853 in Lee County and died on 27 December 1918 in Macon County. He was buried at Felton Cemetery. He married (1) on 20 December 1876 in Macon County, Victoria R. McKenzie, who was born there in 1863 and died there about 1877, daughter of Alonzo S. and Elizabeth A. (Chastain) McKenzie. Victoria was Morgan Enoch's niece. Apparently he preferred women he was related to, as the Larrimores were his maternal family as he married (2) on 17 December 1878 in Lee County, Permelia Narcissa Larrimore, who was born about 1857. Morgan resided in Macon and later Randolph Counties in Georgia.

Victoria apparently died within two years of her marriage to Morgan Enoch Chastain, no apparent children.

Children of Morgan Enoch Chastain and his second wife, Permelia Narcissa Larrimore:

- 45 i. **Larrimore "Larry"<sup>7</sup> Chastain**, born in October 1879 in Macon County.
- 46 ii. **Janie<sup>7</sup> Chastain**, born 15 February 1881 in Macon County, Georgia; died 14 October 1954 in Macon County; buried at Felton Cemetery; married Hal Miller Fisher.
- 47 iii. **George Milton<sup>7</sup> Chastain**, born 19 December 1886 in Macon County; died 26 January 1954; buried at Felton Cemetery.
- 48 iv. **Morgan Enoch<sup>7</sup> Chastain, Jr.**, born 7 June 1893 in Macon County; died 23 November 1950; buried at Felton Cemetery.

25. **John H.<sup>6</sup> Hoes** (Beersheba Elizabeth<sup>5</sup> Chastain, John<sup>4</sup>, Peter<sup>3</sup>, Rene<sup>2</sup>, Sr., Pierre<sup>1</sup>), son of Henry and Beersheba Elizabeth (Chastain) Hoes, was born on 20 December 1825 in Abbeville District, South Carolina and died on 4 October 1888 in Houston County, Georgia. He was buried at Evergreen Cemetery, Houston County. He married about 1855 in Houston County, Laura P. Pattishall, who was born on 1 August 1839 and died on 12 April 1911. She was buried at Evergreen Cemetery.

Laura was consistent on the 1900 and 1910 Census regarding the number of children born indicated she was the mother of 6 children on both, 4 were alive in 1900 and 3 were alive in 1910.

Children of John and Laura (Pattishall) Hoes, all born in Houston County:

- 49 i. **Eli Baxter<sup>7</sup> Hoes**, born 20 January 1856; died 18 November 1918; buried at Evergreen Cemetery. Baxter was married prior to the 1880 Census; wife's given name was Annie. In 1910, he is recorded on the federal Census that year as divorced for his marital status. A lot can happen in 30 years but he was single in 1900 so perhaps it was Annie whom he divorced and he never remarried.
- 50 ii. **John H.<sup>7</sup> Hoes**, born 26 September 1859; died 22 August 1912; buried in Culloden City Cemetery, Monroe County, Georgia; married Mary Elizabeth Woodward.
- 51 iii. **Stonewall Jackson<sup>7</sup> Hoes**, born 16 February 1862; died 21 January 1909 in Houston County; buried at Evergreen Cemetery; married 12 December 1888 in Houston County, Leila Mae Bennett. Leila was born on 18 November 1861 and died on 25 April 1945. She was buried at Evergreen Cemetery.
- 52 iv. **Mattie<sup>7</sup> Hoes**, born 25 February 1864; died 6 April 1934; buried at Evergreen Cemetery; married 9 December 1883 in Houston County, Mitchel Brown Riley.

26. **Robert E.<sup>6</sup> Hoes** (Beersheba Elizabeth<sup>5</sup> Chastain, John<sup>4</sup>, Peter<sup>3</sup>, Rene<sup>2</sup>, Sr., Pierre<sup>1</sup>), son of Henry and Beersheba Elizabeth (Chastain) Hoes, was born about 1831 in Abbeville District, South Carolina and died on 28 June 1883 in Wakulla County, Florida. He married (1) about 1856 in Houston County, Arabella Vivian Pattishall, who was born on 6 October 1840 and died on 22 January 1857 in Houston County, Georgia. She was buried at Evergreen Cemetery. Robert married (2) on 14 December 1863 in Houston County, Martha Tooke. Robert married (3) on 10 February 1874 in Decatur County, Georgia, Lela A. Evans. Robert was residing in the home of his mother, Bathsheeba Chastain Hoes/Hose in 1850. According to the grave marker of Arabella V. Hose in the Evergreen Cemetery in Houston County, Georgia, she was the wife of Robert E. Hose. Arabella died in 1857 and her burial was near those of Bathsheeba Chastain Hose family.

In 1860 Robert is residing in his own home, next door to his mother, Houston County. A female, Elizabeth, whose age is either 23 or 25, and a male, John H. Hoes, age 3 are recorded in his home. It is interesting that Elizabeth is recorded with a personal estate of \$2700, because it is unusual for a wife to have a separate estate from her husband. This gives rise to the probability that Elizabeth was not a second wife of Robert's but rather his sister Eliza

Caroline Hose. Eliza was probably residing with Robert to take care of the young son since Arabella's death some 3 years prior. Unfortunately, Eliza passed away just over a month after the Census was recorded.

A marriage, apparently Robert's second, is recorded in 1863 for Robert E. Hose and Martha Toohe or Toole. This is should be Tooke and that Martha was the daughter of Joseph Tooke. According to Tooke family documentation, Martha died in 1868 and is buried in the Tooke Cemetery in Houston County. There are no known children from this marriage.

Robert could very well be the Robt. E. Hose recorded in Mitchell County, Georgia in the 1870 Federal Census, a 35 year old (1835) born in South Carolina. He is recorded as a farm laborer that year, head of house with three Black occupants, also farm labor. His personal estate was recorded as \$150 and real estate as \$450, much smaller than the 1860 net worth of some \$14,000. Of course this was after the Civil War and much property was lost in the form of freed slaves and personal wealth. Also it was fairly common to not report accurately because most of the south was still in "occupation", the Reconstruction period where Federal troops were still stationed in the former Confederate States.

Yet another marriage record exists, this in Decatur County, Georgia for Robert Hose to Lela Evans in 1874. This is reflected on the 1880 Census for Wakulla County, Florida that includes occupants Robt. And Leila Hose. Robert's occupation is now listed as a physician leading to the assumption that he attended some sort of medical college or program in the 1870's.

Family records indicate Robert died in Wakulla County in 1883.

Child of Robert E. Hoes and his first wife, Arabella Vivian Pattishall:

- 53 i. **John Henry<sup>7</sup> Hoes**, born 3 January 1857 in Houston County, Georgia; died 14 February 1919 in Franklin County, Florida; buried at Magnolia Cemetery, Franklin County; married in 1884, Annie E Harrell. Henry was residing with his uncle and aunt (actually both biological), John H. and Laura Pattishall Chastain in 1870 in Houston County. By 1880 he is residing in Franklin County, Florida, and is recorded in Wakulla County in the 1885 Florida state Census, same county where his father was residing in 1880. By 1900 the family is again recorded in Franklin County and remained there until his death in 1919.

Child of Robert E. Hoes and his second wife, Martha Tooke:

- 54 ii. **Hattie<sup>7</sup> Hose**, born in 1865 in Houston County.

Children of Robert E. Hoes and his third wife, Lela A. Evans, both born in Decatur County, Georgia:

- 55 iii. **Mary<sup>7</sup> Hose**, born in 1874.
- 56 iv. **Willa E.<sup>7</sup> Hose**, born 17 June 1881.

27. **Mary Frances “Fanny”<sup>6</sup> Hoes** (Beersheba Elizabeth<sup>5</sup> Chastain, John<sup>4</sup>, Peter<sup>3</sup>, Rene<sup>2</sup>, Sr., Pierre<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Henry and Beersheba Elizabeth (Chastain) Hoes, was born in 1832 in Abbeville District and died on 17 August 1917 in Oxford, Newton County, Georgia. She was buried at Evergreen Cemetery, Georgia. She married in 1848, Charles Alexander Thompson.

Children of Mary Frances “Fanny” Hoes and her husband, Charles Alexander Thompson, all born in Houston County, Georgia:

- + 57 i. **Beersheba Elizabeth<sup>7</sup> Thompson**, born 23 July 1850; died 25 January 1920 in Tallapoosa County, Alabama; buried in Alexander City, Tallapoosa, Alabama; married 1 February 1882 in Monroe County, Buford L. Dean. Buford was born in 1833 and died on 1 October 1898.
- 58 ii. **Cornelia<sup>7</sup> Thompson**, born 29 March 1852; died 15 July 1868 in Houston County; buried at Evergreen Cemetery, Georgia.
- 59 iii. **Mary Tallulah<sup>7</sup> Thompson**, born 19 June 1855; died 21 January 1941 in Vidalia, Toombs County, Georgia; buried at Evergreen Cemetery.
- 60 iv. **Laura Drucilla<sup>7</sup> Thompson**, born 20 November 1862; died 27 February 1894 in Monroe County; buried in Culloden City Cemetery; married 30 December 1880 in Houston County, Calvin William Battle. Children:



Mary Frances Hoes, PCFA Lineage Books

Charles Alexander Battle  
Laurie Irwin Hunter Battle  
Infant Child Battle

31. **Thomas Allen<sup>6</sup> Chastain** (John Madison<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Peter<sup>3</sup>, Rene<sup>2</sup>, Sr., Pierre<sup>1</sup>), son of John Madison and Sophia Elvira (Spivey) Chastain, was born on 15 July 1842 in Georgia and died on 5 January 1888 at Atlanta, Fulton, Georgia. He was buried at Oakland Cemetery, Atlanta, Georgia. He married on 12 November 1862 in Fulton County, Georgia, Gandalona Viola Badger, who was born on 29 September 1845 in DeKalb County, Georgia and died on 5 February 1897 in Florida. Thomas enlisted 10 May 1861 as a resident of Randolph County, Georgia, in Company F, 5th Georgia Infantry, he transferred to Company F by his discharge on 13 Apr 1864.

Children of Thomas and Gandalona (Badger) Chastain:

- 61 i. **Netti Viola<sup>7</sup> Chastain**, born 18 September 1864 in Cuthbert, Randolph County, Georgia; died 14 October 1961 in Volusia, Florida; married 11 March 1881 in Fulton, John Pickens Turner.
- 62 ii. **Thomas Allen<sup>7</sup> Chastain**, born in 1872.
- 63 iii. **Ralph Badger<sup>7</sup> Chastain**, born in 1874.

32. **Mary Busbea<sup>6</sup> Chastain** (John Madison<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Peter<sup>3</sup>, Rene<sup>2</sup>, Sr., Pierre<sup>1</sup>), daughter of John Madison and Sophia Elvira (Spivey) Chastain, was born on 1 November 1844 in Georgia and died on 4 January 1909. She married John Wesley Mattox, who was born on 8 January 1841 and died on 8 October 1914.

Child of Mary Busbea Chastain and her husband, John Wesley Mattox:

- 64 i. **Lula Buford<sup>7</sup> Mattox**, born 26 June 1883 in Randolph County; died 11 January 1969 in Atlanta, Fulton County, Georgia.

38. **Clifford Ann<sup>6</sup> Chastain** (John Madison<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Peter<sup>3</sup>, Rene<sup>2</sup>, Sr., Pierre<sup>1</sup>), daughter of John Madison and Sophia Elvira (Spivey) Chastain, was born in 1862 in Perry, Houston County, Georgia and died on 14 November 1938 at Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, California. She was buried at Edgemont Cemetery, Calhoun County, Alabama. She married in 1891, Joseph Edward Aderhold I.

Children of Clifford Ann Chastain and her husband, Joseph Edward Aderhold I, both born in Calhoun County:

- 65 i. **Joseph Edward<sup>7</sup> Aderhold, II**, born 17 November 1892; died 2 December 1965 in Glendale, California; married 27 October 1920 in Etowah County, Alabama, Eula Lorraine Haglet.
- 66 ii. **Evelyn D.<sup>7</sup> Aderhold**, born 27 June 1898; died 25 September 1973 at Los Angeles, California. Evelyn listed her birthplace as Atlanta, Georgia, in most personal documents; however, the 1900 and 1910 Census enumerations of her parents' household gave her birthplace as Alabama.

39. **Lucille Estelle "Lucy Jane"<sup>6</sup> Chastain** (John Madison<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Peter<sup>3</sup>, Rene<sup>2</sup>, Sr., Pierre<sup>1</sup>), daughter of John Madison and Sophia Elvira (Spivey) Chastain, was born in August 1865 in Cuthbert, Alabama and died on 9 October 1922 at New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana. She was buried at Metairie Cemetery, New Orleans. She married (1) on 31 December 1885 in Randolph County, Arnold Keene Wilson. Lucy Jane married (2) Allsey Oscar Browne, M.D, D.D., who was born in March 1864 in Kentucky and died on 22 September 1938 at New Orleans. He was buried at Metairie Cemetery, New Orleans. Family was residing in Glasgow, Barren County, Kentucky in 1900.

Child of Lucille Estelle "Lucy Jane" Chastain and her first husband, Arnold Keene Wilson:

- 67 i. **Earl Chastain "Carl"<sup>7</sup> Wilson**, born 15 January 1887 in Randolph County; died 11 January 1959; buried at New Live Oak Cemetery, Dallas County, Alabama; married Carol Norwood. [Reference: Marriage License furnished by descendant Earl C. Wilson, Jr.]

Children of Lucille Estelle "Lucy Jane" Chastain and her second husband, Allsey Oscar Browne, M.D, D.D.:

- 68 ii. **Allsey Oscar<sup>7</sup> Browne, Jr.**, born 13 May 1896 at Atlanta, DeKalb, Georgia; died 27 October 1918 in France; buried at Metairie Cemetery, New Orleans. Allsey entered service in April, 1917 and embarked for over-seas in June, 1918, attached to Battery F, 150th Field Artillery, 42nd Division. He died of pneumonia at Base Hospital Number 116, Bazoille, France 27 October 1918.
- 69 iii. **Marguerite Lucille<sup>7</sup> Browne**, born 28 July 1898 in Barren County, Kentucky; died 4 May 1920 at New Orleans; buried at Metairie Cemetery, New Orleans; married Robert Edwin Courtin. Courtin was Marguerite's surname in the household of her parents in the 1920 Census, her husband's name is not listed.

- + 70 iv. **Gladys Victoria<sup>7</sup> Browne**, born 22 December 1900 in Barren County, Kentucky; died 26 March 1978 at Mobile, Alabama; buried at Metairie Cemetery, New Orleans; married 22 February 1923 in Bowie County, Texas, Alfred Seeton Phelps. Alfred was born in 1907 in Louisiana and died on 7 February 1954 at New Orleans.
- 71 v. **Staley Chastain<sup>7</sup> Browne**, born in 1904 in Bowie County, Texas; died 1 November 1920 at New Orleans; buried at Metairie Cemetery, New Orleans.

### *Fourth Generation (Great-Grandchildren)*

44. **Annie<sup>7</sup> McKenzie** (Elizabeth A.<sup>6</sup> Chastain, William<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Peter<sup>3</sup>, Rene<sup>2</sup>, Sr., Pierre<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Alonzo S. and Elizabeth A. (Chastain) McKenzie, was born on 23 August 1872 in Macon County, Georgia and died on 9 June 1955 in Dooley County, Georgia. She was buried at Walnut Cemetery, Dooley County. She married on 5 March 1890 in Dooley County, Frank Quinn Folkes, who was born there on 6 January 1870 and died there on 17 August 1939.

Children of Annie McKenzie and her husband, Frank Quinn Folkes, all born in Macon County:

- 72 i. **Willie Ollis<sup>8</sup> Folkes**, born 2 December 1890; died 6 June 1941; buried at Walnut Cemetery.
- 73 ii. **James Chastain<sup>8</sup> Folkes**, born 17 November 1894; died in 1970 in Marion County, Florida; buried in Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens; married Lillian Sawyer.
- 74 iii. **Elizabeth "Lizzie"<sup>8</sup> Folkes**, born 15 October 1898; died 1 October 1969; buried at Palmetto Cemetery, Manatee, Florida; married John Emory Bryant Asbell.
- 75 iv. **Frank Quinn<sup>8</sup> Folkes, Jr.**, born 22 December 1901; died 14 January 1961; buried at Walnut Cemetery.

57. **Beersheba Elizabeth<sup>7</sup> Thompson** (Mary Frances "Fanny"<sup>6</sup> Hoes, Beersheba Elizabeth<sup>5</sup> Chastain, John<sup>4</sup>, Peter<sup>3</sup>, Rene<sup>2</sup>, Sr., Pierre<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Charles Alexander and Mary Frances "Fanny" (Hoes) Thompson, was born on 23 July 1850 in Houston County, Georgia and died on 25 January 1920 in Tallapoosa County, Alabama. She was buried in Alexander City,



Tallapoosa, Alabama. She married on 1 February 1882 in Monroe County, Georgia, Buford L. Dean, who was born in 1833 and died on 1 October 1898. Refs: DAR Lineage Book Vol. 88, p. 147, descent of Katheryn (Dean) Lee, #87484.

Children of Beersheba Elizabeth Thompson and her husband, Buford L. Dean:

- 76 i. **Katheryn<sup>8</sup> Dean**, born in 1883 in Tallapoosa County; married Edward Arnold Lee.
- 77 ii. **Laura Elizabeth<sup>8</sup> Dean**, born in 1885 in Tallapoosa County; married James Edwin Thomas.
- 78 iii. **Charles A.<sup>8</sup> Dean**, born in 1886 in Tallapoosa.
- 79 iv. **Buford L.<sup>8</sup> Dean, II**, born there in 1888.
- 80 v. **Lewis B.<sup>8</sup> Dean**, born there in 1895.

70. **Gladys Victoria<sup>7</sup> Browne** (Lucille Estelle “Lucy Jane”<sup>6</sup> Chastain, John Madison<sup>5</sup>, John<sup>4</sup>, Peter<sup>3</sup>, Rene<sup>2</sup>, Sr., Pierre<sup>1</sup>), daughter of Allsey Oscar and Lucille Estelle “Lucy Jane” (Chastain) Browne, was born on 22 December 1900 in Barren County, Kentucky and died on 26 March 1978 at Mobile, Alabama. She was buried at Metairie Cemetery, New Orleans, Orleans Parish, Louisiana. She married on 22 February 1923 in Bowie County, Texas, Alfred Seeton Phelps, who was born in 1907 in Louisiana and died on 7 February 1954 at New Orleans. Perhaps daughter Marguerite was adopted; she was not included with the family household in the 1930 Census and her birth precedes the marriage of her parents some three years. It could be that since she bore the same name as Gladys’s sister, perhaps she was Gladys’s niece, the daughter of Marguerite Browne Courtin who died just two days after the birthdate given for Marguerite Phelps.

Children of Gladys Victoria Browne and her husband, Alfred Seeton Phelps:

- 81 i. **Marguerite Lucille<sup>8</sup> Phelps**, born 2 May 1920 at New Orleans.
- 82 ii. **Alfred S.<sup>8</sup> Phelps**, born 8 August 1924 at Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California; died 29 August 1944 in Le Relecq-Kerhuon, Department du Finistère, Bretagne, France; buried at Brittany American Cemetery and Memorial, Sainte James Manche, France.

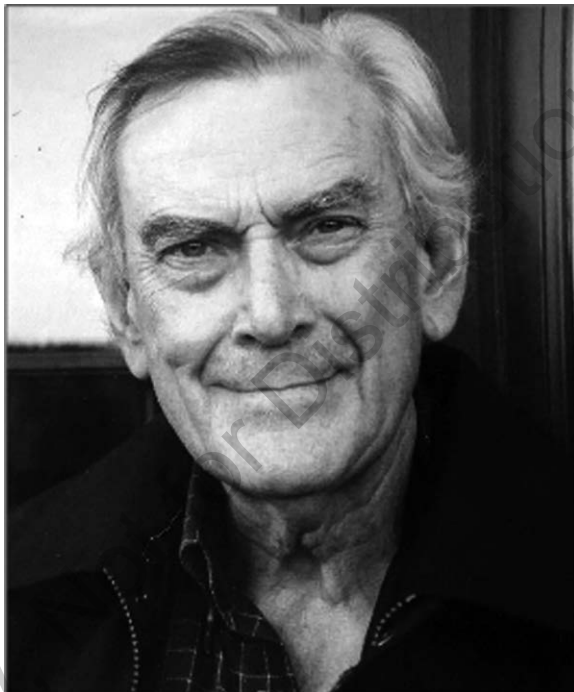
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## Obituary: Lynn R. Coleman (1939-2020)

Lynn Rogers Coleman, grandson of Naomi Lucy Love Chastain, died November 13, 2020, after a five-month hospitalization resulting from a fall at his farm in the community of Hume, Fauquier County, Virginia. (He appears on page 99 of *Chastain Kith and Kin* as a 10th-generation descendant of Pierre Chastain.)

Lynn was born in Vernon, Texas, on August 17, 1939. After graduating from the University of Texas Law School in 1964, he practiced law in Houston, Texas, and Washington, D.C., until his death.

During his time in Washington, Lynn became general counsel and later deputy secretary of the U.S. Department of Energy.



In Virginia he became a board member of the Piedmont Environmental Council, interested in issues related to resource conservation, energy infrastructure, and historical preservation. Lynn's other interests included Civil War history and genealogy.

He is survived by his wife, Sylvia de Leon; children Sheridan Coleman Ernstmeyer of Austin, Texas; John Anthony Ross Coleman and his wife Christy Rosenthal Coleman of Taos, New Mexico; Camille de Leon Coleman of Brooklyn, New York, and Camden, Maine; and retired U.S. Marine Corporal (and current Bureau of Land Management firefighter) William Rogers de Leon Coleman of Bozeman, Montana, and Hume, Virginia. Lynn was preceded in death in 2012 by son Joseph Clinton de Leon Coleman. Grandchildren include Kenneth and Michael Ernstmeyer and Grace and Lily Rosenthal.

### *Chastain ancestors*

His grandmother, Naomi Lucy Love Chastain, was born December 30, 1888, in Bentonville, Arkansas (page 95 of *Chastain Kith and Kin*). His line back to Pierre includes her father, William Edgar Chastain, Jr., William Edgar Chastain, Sr., Rainey Chastain, Edward Brigand Chastain, John Chastain, Pierre Chastain, Jr., and Pierre Chastain.



From bottom right at the Ross family farm north of Vernon, Texas, around 1953 are Lynn R. Coleman's grandparents, Harden Anthony Ross in the hat (holding grandson Kendall Owen) and Lucy Chastain Ross. In the row behind them, from left, are Mark Owen held by his father, Roger Owen; wife of Roger, Bennye Lou Ross Owen; behind Bennye is Clint Sheridan Coleman, next to Genevieve Ross Coleman; Lucille Ross Shearer; Lynn (in white sport coat); and Patsy Ross Stapleton. The two men in the rear are Jim Shearer, oldest grandson, and his father, Walter Shearer.



Lynn's parents, Clint Sheridan Coleman and Genevieve Ross Coleman, are seated in front at Clint's 70th birthday in Abilene, Texas, in 1984. Lynn is the tallest man in the back row in the checked shirt, next to his brother Robert. From left are Lynn's wife, Sylvia DeLeon, Lynn's daughter Camille DeLeon Coleman being held by Lynn's daughter Sheridan Coleman Ernstmeyer, Robert's daughter Claire Elizabeth Coleman, Robert's wife, Judy Moore Coleman, and Robert's son Robert W. Coleman, Jr.



## Member Report

by Carol Migdat

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### *New Members*

Summer is over but we've gained several new members. A big welcome to all of them! I notice that the state of Texas is well represented. The following is a list of those who joined the Pierre Chastain Family Association since publication of the last issue of *The Chestnut Tree*.

- **Mary Margaret Buck**, Memphis, TN
- **Rita Casavantes**, Sherman, TX
- **Eric Chastain**, Killeen, TX
- **Pia Given**, Belleville, IL
- **Suzette Ann Williams**, Bay City, TX
- **Michael L. Lyons**, Corpus Christi, TX
- **Karen Haller**, Marysville, OH
- **Claire Aiken**, Ridgeland, MS
- **Daniel Lloyd Waller**, Indian Land, SC

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# The Pierre Chastain Family Association

In 1975, Elby F. Bowman sent invitations to fellow Chastain researchers to attend a “conference” on the interests of further research and the coordination of these efforts into a society or association. A group of interested parties met on August 31, 1975, at Dyer, Arkansas, and the Pierre Chastain Family Association was born! The following were charter members from this organizational meeting.

**Lucille Anderson**  
Kiefer, Oklahoma

**Thelma Cavin**  
Ft. Gibson, Oklahoma

**Thomas V. Creekmore**  
Silsbee, Texas

**Elby F. Bowman**  
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The organization was founded with J. E. Chastain as President, Thomas V. Creekmore as First Vice President, Lucille C. Anderson as Second Vice President, Geraldine Buland as Secretary-Treasurer, and Elby Bowman as Genealogist.

The first issue of the association’s newsletter, *The Chestnut Tree*, was released to the membership in January of 1976. Volume One, Number One of *The Chestnut Tree* was a total of four pages, hand-typed, photocopied, and one-sided. By the release of this first issue, the membership had grown to 42 members.

Today, the Pierre Chastain Family Association has approximately 220 members. There is also an extensive computer database, maintained by the association’s genealogist, which contains information submitted by the membership in their research, as well as numerous Census, legal, Bible, and other records documenting the lineages of Chastain descendants, sometimes covering 12 or more generations.

The present membership, and all interested in Chastain and related family history, are very grateful for the efforts of these founding members. These efforts have culminated in great documentation that allows almost instant lineage verification. These efforts have placed this material in print, in volumes such as *Pierre Chastain and His Descendants*, for generations to come. We thank you!

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