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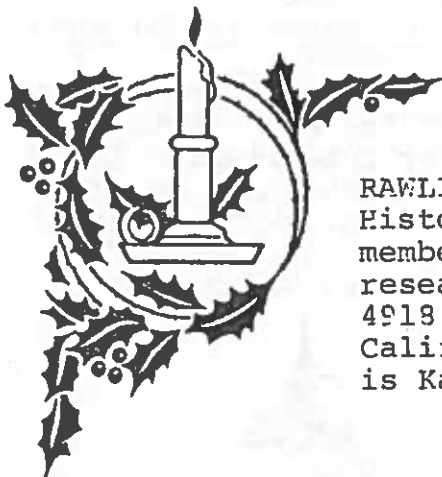
Happy Holidays Cousins!

First I must apologize for my errant typewriter which is now headed for the scrap-heap. It refused to print capital "I", "E" or "P" and it's time to let it rest. I am reminded of my dear late husband Wayne's reaction when it came time to do the same for his aged Ford. He vowed to bury it rather than junk it, but luckily a man came along who restored Ford's and offered to buy it. Wayne was happy to give it to him, although with a tear in his eye as it was driven away. I probably will do the same with my poor 19 year old machine.

Secondly I must report that I have received several unhappy comments about the article we did in the last issue, the one of Ed Wiessing's musings on whether it is MOSES or MICHAEL who is the ancestor of many of our subscribers including Ed. As the Editor of the newsletter it is my practice to publish any such articles which might provoke opposite views and those who disagree or have proofs to the contrary should offer other information such as bible records, wills and other proofs like family histories either oral or written. I'll be happy to print them. In that way everyone benefits. We have done it before when some disagreed with information presented re HENRY ROLLINS who came from Ireland to Pennsylvania pre-Revolutionary War. Another time it was the correcting of the information on FLIJAH RAWLINGS who married Elizabeth McGill. So let' hear from you.

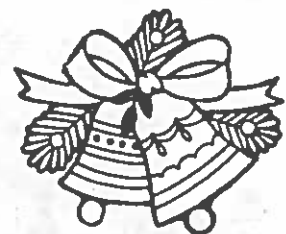
I wish you all the best holiday season you are able to enjoy while our nation is in its present unhappy situation.

*Katherine*



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BITS & PIECES

FRANCIS RAWLINGS, son of JOHN & Eleanor (Ridgely) RAWLINGS, was the owner of the Inn where many members of the underground Militia held secret meetings plotting the Revolution, or planning after it started. He was commended by Congress for his active support of the patriot cause before the war.

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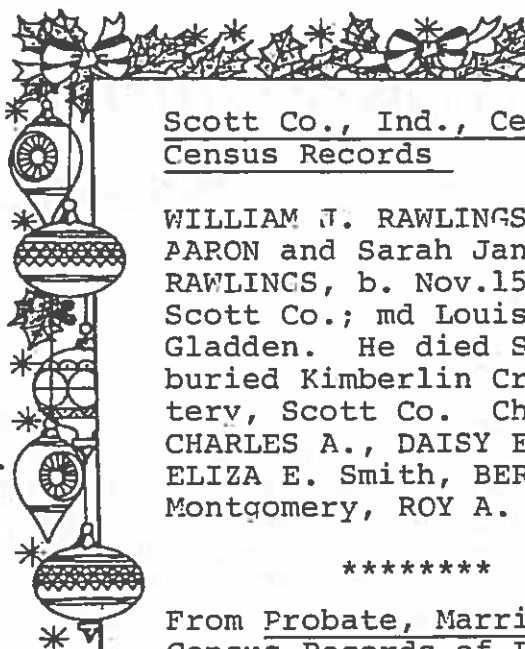
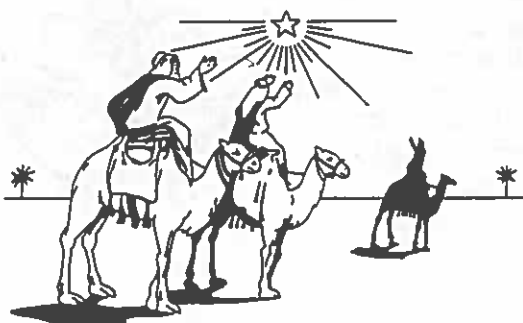
JOHN ROLLINS/RAWLINS was the contractor for improvements at Mt.Vernon, hired by George Washington. The large banquet-room at the north end of Mt.Vernon was placed in his hands since he was a craftman in decorative plaster-work. He was from Baltimore.

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A STEPHEN & AMARIAH ROLLINS were with the New Jersey militia in the Revolutionary War from Bergen County. This taken from "Officers & Men of New Jersey In The Revolutionary War" by Strycker.

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ISAAC RAWLINS, b. 1818 in Yorkshire, England...died April 22, 1900 in Canada. Does anyone know where? Wife Isabelle Strebson, b. 1836 in Pennsylvania, d. March 13, 1911, in Ontario, Canada. Note: In the "Pennsylvania List of English Immigrants" is listed an ISAAC RAWLINS coming in 1820.



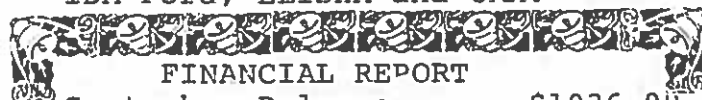
Scott Co., Ind., Cemetery & Census Records

WILLIAM J. RAWLINGS, son of AARON and Sarah Jane (Sparks) RAWLINGS, b. Nov.15, 185 in Scott Co.; md Louisa/Lovisa Gladden. He died Sept.29,1896, buried Kimberlin Creek Cemetery, Scott Co. Children: CHARLES A., DAISY E. McAdams, ELIZA E. Smith, BERTHA L. Montgomery, ROY A. and FRANK G.

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From Probate, Marriage & Census Records of Linn Co. Kansas

WILLIAM J. RAWLINGS, b. 1841 in Marion Co., Ind., son of ELISHA and Elizabeth (David) RAWLINGS. He md. Ann R.D.Kuser, March 17, 1864; died Dec. 17, 1902; buried Goodrich Cemetery, Libert Two., Linn Co. Children: ALBERT, IDA Ford, ELISHA and ORA.



FINANCIAL REPORT

September Balance	\$1036.99
Deposits - none	
Expenses:	
P.C. - \$179.00 (2 mailings)	
Sep.N.L. 146.10	
	325.10
December Balance	\$721.89



From "Harrison Co., KY History" by Robertson  
Petitions of early inhabitants:  
 P.458

"The town of Boonesborough was created by the act entitled 'An Act for Establishing the Town of Boonesborough in the country of Kentucky' - Henning Statues, Vol. 10 P.134. One of the trustees was PEMBEPTON POLLINS.





From Rita W. Rawlins, 5690 Foxlake Drive, N.Fort Myers, FL 33907

Rita's husband Hugh descended from RAWLINS who went from England to the Caribbean islands, particularly St. Kitts- She notes that sometimes we don't research enough and told of discovering that members of Hugh's family in the 1600's on "commuted" back and forth from the islands, Canada and the United States. One ancestor whose parents and grand-parents went to St. Kitts from England...returned to England, married a girl in Ireland and the couple had one child, and then went to Canada where they had several more children, and then travelled on to Norfolk, Virginia. Descendants of that line now live in Pittsburgh, PA. Almost unbelievable!

Below are names, death dates, certificate numbers and film numbers of listings in the Baltimore City Death Index.

CATHERINE I. RAWLINGS, Oct.24, 1944 - Cert. G-21960, Film #CR 48,271  
 CORA RAWLINGS, Sept. 13, 1948 - Cert. #G-66870, Film # CR 50-227  
 FANNIE F. RAWLINGS, Aug. 11, 1947 - Cert.# G54-218, Film # CR 48,282  
 FRED RAWLINGS, Oct. 14, 1943 - Cert. # G 09168, Film # CR 48,267  
 FRED P. RAWLINGS, Aug. 31, 1944 - Cert. #G 20425, film # CR 48-271  
 MALISSA RAWLINGS, Feb. 28, 1947 - Cert.# G49175, film #CR 48-290  
 MARY D. RAWLINGS, Dec. 7, 1943 - Cert.# G11026, film#CR 48, 268  
 MARY H. RAWLINGS, Jan. 16, 1947 - Cert. #G 47618, film #CR48,280  
 MARY W. RAWLINGS, Oct. 28, 1949 - Cert. #G 79310, film # CR48,289  
 WILBERT RAWLINGS, Sept. 11, 1946 - Cert. #G 43725, film #CR 48,279  
 WILLIAM M. RAWLINGS, May 30, 1949 - Cert. #G 74938, film # CR 48,287  
 JOHN W. RAWLINS, March 18, 1944 - Cert.# G 15236, film # CR 48,269  
 JOSEPH RAWLINS, Nov. 18, 1947 - Cert.# G 57093, film # CR 48,283  
 AUDREY E. RAWLS, Mar. 19, 1944 - Cert.# G15276, film # CR48,269  
 THELMA RAWLS, Oct. 10, 1944 - Cert.# G21522, film # CR 48,271  
 WM. L. RAWLS, July 26, 1946 - Cert.# G42424, film # CR 48,278  
 DANIEL L. RAWSEY, Nov. 15, 1945 - Cert.# 34225, film # CR 48,276

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From Lane's Genealogy Data, P.576 - Lane's Family Pages

JAMES RAWLINS, md. ca 1760, Stafford Co., VA

Spouse: Margaret Price

She was born Feb.10, 1738, Stafford Co., VA

She died June 4, 1789, King George Co., Virginia

Her parents were Thomas Price and Sarah Buckner

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From Union Newspaper of Brooklyn, NY, June 14, 1918

ZELLA RAWLINGS, aged 13, of Seattle, Washington md. Edward Pryor, 31,  
 of Brooklyn, NY



Obituary

From Sacramento Bee, Sacramento, CA - September 9, 2001- JEAN P.ROLLINS.

A longtime resident of Northern Virginia residing in Sacramento for the last 7 years, passed away September 16, 2001, at the age of 75. Loving mother of Jerry Roberts, Betty Neil and Skip Rollins. Beloved grandmother of Michael Connery, Lisa Roberts, Jennifer Roberts and Amy Neil. Cherished sister of Bill Partain, Thelma Baker, Helen Vineyard and Connie Price. She was preceded in death by her husband RONNIE R. ROLLINS. A member of Order of the Eastern Star, she will be greatly missed by her family and friends. Funeral services September 21, 2001, at 2 p.m. in the Chapel of South East Lawn Mortuary, Elk Grove.

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From the records of Charles Parish, York County, VA (1648-1789)  
P. 161

REBECCA RAWLINGS, b. Oct. 30, 1763, child of VINCENT and Susannah RAWLINGS . (She was his first wife. He was born ca 1738, Va. His 2nd wife was Betsy \_\_\_\_\_, b. ca 1742, York Co., VA. They had nine children:

EDWARD, b. Feb. 24, 1766

MARY b. Sept. 20, 1767

JOSEPH, b. Sept. 5, 1769

SAMUEL b. Oct. 4, 1773

BETSY, b. Oct. 15, 1773

ANNE b. Oct. 8, 1775 - died young

JOHN BAPTISTE, b. Sept. 11, 1779

DISEY/DICEY, b. Feb. 11, 1783

ANNE, b. June 23, 1785



From the Maryland Genealogical Society Bulletin, Spring 1989

March 5, 1840 - ROBERT M. RAWLINGS of Cecil Co., MD md Miss Mary McVey of Little Britain, Lancaster Co., Pennsylvania. They were married by Rev. J.C.Baker.

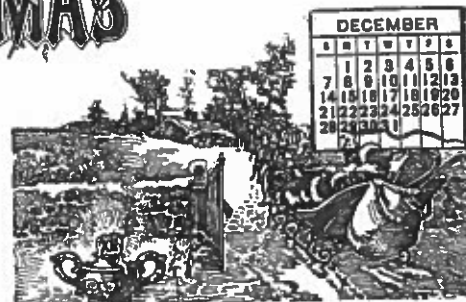
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Married on June 13, 1839, by Rev. Baker, Henry McVey to Miss Elizabeth T. Rawlings, both of Cecil County, MD.

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From the Maryland Historical Magazine, September 1938

DEED - Nov. 2, 1686 - Miles Gibson, for 9,000 pounds of tobacco, conveying to JOHN RAWLINGS, planter, 150 acres, being half of tract "Collets Neglect" at Elk Neck Creek in Gunpowder River, said tract formerly granted to George Holland, and later being the dwelling plantation of Michael Judd. Witnesses: Mark Richardson and Miles Gibson. John Hall, sub-sheriff, received 6 shillings from RAWLINGS for alienation. (?)



From a query found in the Genealogical Helper, September 1962:

According to Robert Barnes in his "Notes on the RAWLINGS FAMILY of Baltimore and Anne Arundel Counties, Maryland"- October 1981, this query refers to a MICHAEL RAWLINGS listed in the 1750 Debt Book of Baltimore County, Maryland, and owning 50 acres of CHATTOM. This query stated that this MICHAEL RAWLINGS died ca 1774-1776 in Washington Co., PA, and that he had one child JOSHUA, b. ca 1766 who died 1801 in Bourbon Co., Kentucky., and who had married Verlinda Darnall ca 1789. (Mr. Barnes had been doing some research for a Dr. Martin.)

Those members of R/RFHA who have been researching the family which includes NATHAN, ASAHIEL, MICHAEL, MOSES et al (RAWLINGS) in an attempt to solve the various mysteries of this family might be surprised to note this particular information since the Washington Co., PA MICHAEL RAWLINGS in whom they are interested is usually considered as dying 1780/81, leaving his widow Mary and children young enough to require a tutor since she appears before the Orphan Court asking for sums for that purpose. Perhaps those interested should locate this particular issue of the GENEALOGICAL HELPER.



From Beverly Allan, 801 Pacific View Drive, Bellingham, WA 98226

RICHARD RAWLINGS ; 1st wife Jane \_\_\_\_\_. He died 1696 Anne Arundel Co., MD  
She md. (2) Philip Griffin.

Children of RICHARD and Jane were RICHARD Jr., JOHN, MARY, OLIVE & Elizabeth.

RICHARD Jr., b. 1688 Anne Arundel Co., MD; md 13 Jan. 1708 Deborah Pinch in A.A.Co; died March 1719 AA Co. Deborah md(2) Owen Fitzpatrick  
Children:

JOHN, b.Mar.12,1709; died 1763. Md. Margaret \_\_\_\_\_.  
They had children. All in A.A. Co.

RICHARD III, b. March 1711, A.A.Co.

MCSSES, b. Nov. 31, 1713, A.A.Co.

DEBCRAH, baptized Sept.2, 1716 A.A.Co., md. Wm. Marshall

CHARLES, baptized June 13, 1718 A.A. Co.

JOHN, b. ca 1690 A.A.Co.; md Jan. 13 1712 Eleanor Ridgely. Died Apr.1,1727.  
Children: ELIZABETH b. Sept.30,1713, A.A.Co.; md. John Stimpson  
Nov. 11, 1730, A.A. Co.

JEHOSOPHAT/JOSEPH, b. ca 1715 A.A. Co., never married.  
died 1758 London, England. Capt. of merchant  
ship "Severn"

SARAH, baptized Sept. 2, 1716, A.A. Co., d.y. April 27, 1727

JOHN, baptized June 13, 1718, A.A.Co., md. Anna Sophia \_\_\_\_;  
died 1756 Frederick Co., Md.

FRANCIS, baptized Sept. 11, 1720 A.A.Co.; md Laurana Tucker;  
died January 1794 A.A.Co. Had children JOHN,  
ELIZABETH, FRANCIS Jr., ELEANOR, SARAH, THOMAS,  
JEHOSOPHAT, STEPHEN, SEALEY, RICHARD, GREENBURY,  
JONATHAN, LAURANA and JOSHUA.

ELEANOR, baptized June 3, 1722 A.A.Co.; never married;d.1744  
CATHERINE, baptized April 16, 1724; A.A.Co.



MARY  
OLIVE  
ELIZABETH



Further to the Maryland RAWLINGS; there are various mysteries concerning similarities in names. For example, DANIEL. There is the line that seems in some way to be connected with the NATHAN-MOSES-ASAH-EL-MICHAEL etc. family ca 1720-1800 in Maryland, Virginia & Kentucky, who some say were Quakers although they fought in the Revolutionary War. And there is the true Quaker DANIEL RAWLINGS of Calvert County, MD, mentioned prominently in Quaker histories and records. Here is what Bev Allan has discovered about his line for two generations:

DANIEL, b. \_\_\_\_\_; d 1726/27 Calvert Co., MD; md Anne \_\_\_\_\_.

She died April 18, 1713, Calvert Co. MD

Children: ISAAC, b. Feb. 27, 1701, Calvert Co.

MARY, b. July 3, 1703, Calvert Co., md Mr. Holloway

ELIZABETH, b. Aug. 18, 1705, Calvert Co., md John Clare.

ANN, b. Aug. 29, 1707, Calvert Co.;

DANIEL Jr., b. 1748, Calvert Co., md Margaret Brome

This information was taken from the will of DANIEL RAWLINGS Sr. L9-F31 Calvert Co., Md. Will of DANIEL RAWLINGS Jr., L25 F498, Calvert Co., Md. Birth and death records of the Cliff Meeting (Quaker) NGS Bulletin August 1972. Beverly also has much material on the DANIEL RAWLINGS of Baltimore County, MD.



#### More Maryland Records

In the will of Charles Hays of Montgomery Co., MD, Jan. 8, 1787, he mentions two daughters - ANN who married a RAWLINGS, and LILY who did, too.

In the will of Jeremiah Hays of Montgomery Co., MD, Sept. 15, 1783, he mentions two daughters - Mary, wife of I. Rollins...and PRISCILLA ROLLINS, wife of George Hays, his son.

Record of a marriage between Samuel Hays and ANNA RAWLINS, daughter of THOMAS RAWLINS, 29 Oct. 1812, Montgomery Co., MD

Record of a marriage between Charles Hays and ELIZABETH RAWLINGS Dec. 9. 1779.

Record of a marriage between H.T. Hays to ELLEN RAWLINGS, 22 May, 1837 Montgomery Co., Md.

In records of the estate settlement of THOMAS RAWLINS - Equity 1823-1825, Folio 21; he died intestate, owned land "RAWLINS Rest", had younger brothers WILLIAM and JOHN, plus children - JOSHUA, ANN md to Samuel Hays, SARAH md to Jacob Nicholls, HARRIET md. to Otho Thomas...and THOMAS RAWLINS Jr. THOMAS RAWLINS Sr's widow was named ELIZABETH.

#### Prince George's Co., MD Records

PAUL RAWLINGS and Catherine Johnson md. ca 1695. She was dtr. of Bernard Johnson.

1733, proof by Deed - BERNARD JOHNSON RAWLINGS was son of PAUL and Catherine (Johnson) RAWLINGS.

1730 By a book of Maryland. Wife of BERNARD JOHNSON RAWLINGS was Margaret Johnson, dtr. of John Johnson. (was she his first wife?)

1744, proof by deed, wife of BERNARD JOHNSON RAWLINGS was Martha \_\_\_\_\_. (was she his 2nd wife?)

After 1744 BERNARD JOHNSON RAWLINGS & family moved to Charles Co., MD.





Charles Co., MD Records

- 1775, BERNARD JOHNSON RAWLINGS sold slave.  
 1777, MARTHA, WILLIAM, JOHN & ELIJAH RAWLINGS, along with John Gibson Jr., sold slave.  
 1775-1777, BERNARD JOHNSON RAWLINGS died.  
 1778, MARTHA RAWLINGS, Administratrix of will of BERNARD JOHNSON RAWLINGS  
 1779, Aug. 2, names of non-subscribers to Vestry of Trinity Parish (Protestant Episcopal) resigning in Bryan Town Hundred:  
 MARTHA RAWLINGS, DAVID RAWLINGS, John Gibson Jr., Allan Harbin  
 1784, May 27, Guardian bonds for ANN ROLLINGS are filed by John Shuttlesworth, DAVID ROLLINGS, Allen Harbin, JOHN ROLLINGS, Susannah Harrand.  
 1782, March 8, Will of GEORGE ROWLING Sr. of Prince Georges Co., MD  
 Wife: Rebecca  
 Children: ANN, THOMAS, MARY ANN, GORDON, GEORGE, JOHN, SARAH, ~~PRISCILLA~~  
 PRISCILLA and WILLIAM. Probated Nov. 9, 1782  
 1726, Will written Dec. 29th of DANIEL RAWLINGS of Calvert Co., MD  
 Wife: none mentioned  
 Children: ISAAC, ELIZABETH (Clare), ANN, MARY, DANIEL Jr. Probated Jan. 20, 1727.



The following are bits and pieces of information concerning RAWLIN(G)S and ROLLIN(G)S with mention in North Carolina records.

North Carolina Taxpayers, 1701-1786

JAMES RAWLINGS, Blanden Co., 1781  
 JAMES RAWLINGS, Onslow County, 1769  
 RICHARD RAWLINGS, Gates County, 1786  
 JOHN RAWLINGS, Northampton County, 1742  
 THOMAS RAWLINS, Craven County, 1743

Note: There are less than 2500 marriage bonds for North Carolina (less than 10%). Bad luck for those of us researching there.  
 This information excerpted from "North Carolina Taxpayers 1701-1786" compiled by Clarence Ratcliff.

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Randolph Co., North Carolina, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, November Term, 1843, to the County Court of Randolph.

The petition of AGNES ROLLINS represents to Your Worship that her late husband, JOHN ROLLINS, departed this life in the month of September last, Intestate, being seized and possessed of a tract of land in said county on the waters of Craway adjoining the lands of Solomon Briles, Azel Rush and others, containing 166 acres. Your Petitioner further represents that the said ROLLINS left the following children of full age surviving, to wit: CATHARINE, wife of Jacob Briles...ALLEN ROLLINS...CYNTHIA, wife of Frederick Briles...SALLY ROLLINS...ALEXANDER ROLLINS...PATSY, wife of James Jerrill...WILLIAM ROLLINS...ULISANT ROLLINS...LINNY ROLLINS...and GENERAL HARRISON ROLLINS, all of Randolph County. The four last mentioned being minors under the age of 21 years, and without guardianship, plus POLLY, wife of Kiana Collier...ELIAS ROLLINS, ANNA, wife of Thomas Gee...JOHN ROLLINS...BETSY, wife of JOHN NICHOLAS...and DANIEL ROLLINS who live beyond the limits of this state.

Your Petitioner prays that Your Worship will appoint some suitable person Guardian of said minors, and that you will cause dower to be assigned to

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her according to law, and that she is in duty bound will every prayse (sp).

(signed) J. Worth, Attorney-at-law for petition

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Note: POLLY, ELIAS, JOHN, ANNA and DANIEL lived in Martin and Green Counties, Indiana.

Also it seems that, according to family group sheets, JOHN ROLLINS was married twice; the first marriage being to Nancy Cunningham, and the second to the petitioner Agnes (Dockery) ROLLINS. It is possible that the children who left to live in Indiana may have been from the first marriage.



From the North Carolina Historical and Genealogical Register: Vol.1 #3  
July 1900

Abstracts of wills executed prior to 1760, compiled from the originals in the office of the Secretary of State at Raleigh, NC. The later date indicates the date of probate. These will all be found at Raleigh before being placed in individual county court houses.

BENJAMIN RAWLINGS, Edgecomb Co., Dec. 10, 1738; Feb. Court 1738-39. Mentions no wife, no children by name, lists as heirs: EDMUND...SARAH wife of Thomas Kearney...ELIZABETH wife of Wm. Alston...and ELIZABETH wife of Samuel Williams.

JOHN RAWLINS, Northhampton Co., March 26, 1747; November Court 1747. Heirs are wife Hannah, daughters SUSANNAH and LUCY. WM. RAWLINGS, a testator.



From Tim Tilyer, 1129 Viewmont Drive, Escondido, CA 92027

Passenger List for early Immigrants, from Maryland Records.

JOHN RAWLINGS, son of ANTHONY, still living in 1664, of Stafford Freehold in Calvert County, MD. Book 7, Folio 475

JOHN RAWLINGS, aged 30 years, in 1671, of Dorchester Co., MD  
Book 16, Folio 164

JOHN RAWLINGS, transported 1677, Book 15, Folios 430 and 454

NICHOLAS RAWLINGS, immigrated 1666. A cooper of St.Mary's Co., MD  
Book 10, Folio 265

ROWLAND RAWLINGS, servant, 1651. Book 9, Folio 19

WILLIAM RAWLINGS, transported 1661, Book 5, Folio 208

ELIZABETH RAWLINS, transported 1680. Book WC2, Folios 113 & 165

PHILADELPHIA, wife of JOHN RAWLINGS, transported 1663. Book 5, Folio 410

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ANTHONY RAWLINGS, immigrated 1645, with wife Joan and 1 child. Formerly servant to Justinian Snow. Deceased about 1652. Book ABH, Folios 15 and 19. Book 2, Folios 458 & 479. Joan was transported in 1645.

Note: transported means sent to the colonis as a punishment or upon request of parents or the courts..



From J.R.Orgain Jr., Road 652, Alberta, VA 23821

From "First Families of Brunswick Co., VA 1700-1735" compiled by Orgain

March 24, 1725, GREGORY RAWLINGS by land grant obtained in what was Brunswick Co., VA, 250 acres in Surry County, which became Sussex Co. later, on the South side of the Nottoway River. Brunswick Co. was authorized by the General Assembly of Virginia to be created in 1720.

From "Second Families of Brunswick Co. VA, 1736" compiled by Orgain

Concerning land grants and patents: To GREGORY RAWLINGS OF Surry County 192 acres, Brunswick County, south side of Rose's Creek March 17, 1736.

From "Family Cemeteries of Brunswick Co., VA 1720-1786" compiled by Orgain pp 100 & 101 - RAWLINGS MEMORIAL Monuments on Graves.



From Helen Purdin, (now deceased) of Fayetteville, Arkansas

Her great-grandparents were STEPHEN WELLS RAWLINGS and Keturah Knott, all born in Scotland Co., Missouri, it is believed.

Children: WILLIAM R., b. 1854  
 JOSEPH PROCTOR, b. 1856  
 ANNIE BELL b. 1857 (Helen's grandmother)  
 MARIAN L., b. 1859  
 MINNIE, b. 186?  
 (maybe more)

Family exodus from Kentucky to Missouri occurred sometime after 1852. Helen also noted that in the same area in Missouri lived a SAMUEL AARON RAWLINGS, no relation according to her family. He is buried in Kirksville, Missouri.

She also said that the basement of the courthouse in Memphis, Missouri, is chock full of old records that ~~are~~ ruined by mold and dampness, and no one seems to care. Perhaps some of our members can check on ~~that~~ those records at the county seat, Scotland County.



From Connie Casilear, a records researcher, P.O.Box 611, Winchester, VA 2260

From "The Abridged Compendium of American Genealogy" edited by F.A.Virkus, Vol. 3, P.392.

STUART LAMAR RAWLINGS, b. Apr. 12, 1875, Virginia City, Nevada.  
 Col. MOSES RAWLINGS (1740-1808) Col. Va. Regiment Revolutionary War;  
 md. Susannah Jacobs. He originally was Captain of the Maryland Rifles.  
 MOSES RAWLINGS, Col. Moses' son (1805-1867) md. Rebecca McCullough  
 LLOYD Rawlings (1831-1911) mining engineer. md. Jand \_\_\_\_\_, had two  
 children: STUART LAMAR and JANE D..

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Connie also has suggested other books wherein RAWLINGS-RCLLINGS info can be found. They are:

"Colonial Families of the US" by McKenzie

"History of Virginia"

"Virginia Magazine of History"



Taken from the book "The First Century of Piqua, Ohio" by JOHN RAWLINGS

'Nearly every town has at some time in its history had one or more odd characters as residents. We have had several such people in Piqua, Ohio, among the earlier of them being 'Uncle JOHN RAWLINGS', a very eccentric individual, who was off on the subject of money. He was a tall, slim man, always in a hurry, and invariably carried a cane. He was called 'Governor RAWLINGS' as he claimed to be governor of the world. He always walked fast on the inside of the side-walk and would cross the street if crowded to the outside.

He lived on the north side of Ash Street between Wayne and Downing, and was always clean and neatly dressed. He would often whirl around a tree or lamp-post several times, then cross the street diagonally and resume his walk.

He walked many miles each day, molested no one, and attended strictly to his own business. When he wanted money he would go to the old Piqua Bank and call upon the President, William Scott, or the cashier, Joseph G. Young, and tell them what he wanted. The Cashier would pretend to write him a check and he would go away perfectly satisfied. He claimed to own the bank, and would call for money when he thought he needed it. Uncle JOHN died many years ago, but the memory of his eccentricities remain fresh in the minds of the older citizens of Piqua."



In Winter Park, Florida, (the Orlando area) can be found ROLLINS College, a beautiful and prestigious school. Among other things it boasts of the Cornell Fine Arts Center, which displays permanent and changing exhibits of American and European paintings, decorative arts and sculptures.

Ed.Note: We have heard that there is a definitive history of BENJAMIN CASON RAWLINGS, the Confederate hero of the War Between the States, in the Archives of the college..



From the "Virginia Magazine of History and Biography", pub. by the VA Historical Society, year ending Dec. 31, 1916.

Oct. 17, 1751 - At the General Court held yesterday and today, the following criminals were brought to their Trial. Among them was listed MOSFS RAWLINGS from Norfolk, for counterfeiting the current coin, acquitted.



North Carolina Taxpayers, 1701-1786: Compiled by Patcliff

JAMFS RAWLINGS, Bladen County - 1781  
 JAMES RAWL NCS, Onslow County - 1769  
 RICHARD RAWLINGS, Gates County - 1786  
 JOHN RAWLINGS, Northampton County - 1742  
 THOMAS RAWLINGS, Craven County - 1743



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Abstracts of Deeds: Edgecombe Precinct & County, North Carolina  
 1732-1758 by Margaret Hofmann

Deed Book #2, p.435 - Mr. Robert Jones Jr. of Sussex Co., Attny-at-Law, to Miall Wilder of Johnston County, 13 Feb., 1756 - 5 shillings current money of Virginia 200 acres on both sides of Little Cateachnet - all houses, gardens, orchards, fences etc. - a grant to JOHN RAWLINGS June 20, 1746 - and by him conveyed to Robert Jones Jr. Registered Feb. 1756 - Edgecomb County Court

Colony of North Carolina 1735-1764 Abstracts of Land Patents

Patent Book #2, p.175 #1092 - John Maxwell, Nov. 26, 1757 - 230 acres in Johnston County, joining the Rain Bow, his own corner, the March, and RAWLIN's line.



Submitted by Elsie Dokes, a charter member of R/RFHA now deceased, along with much other research she conducted on the family of MOSES RAWLINGS who was killed by indians in 1787 in Kentucky. Her niece Shirley Draheim, also a member, has carried on Elsie's research. "From Mrs. Lathrop in 1955, a descendant of NATHAN RAWLINGS, MOSES' brother it is believed, and NATHAN's wife Mary (Rankin)"

From Deed Book #1, P.612 - March 6, 1801.

NATHAN RAWLINGS and his wife Mary bought of James Blackburn 110 acres in Harrison Co., Kentucky; price 250 pounds. Land was lying on the South fork of the Licking River.

From Mrs. Lathrop's research she had determined that NATHAN and Mary (dtr. of David Rankin and Hannah Provence) had 7 children: NATHAN Jr., JAMES, BENJAMIN SCOTT, PROVENCE, SARA, JANE and POLLY. Several county histories in Illinois name another son, MICHAEL. This MICHAEL was married in Lawrence Co., Ill. to Jennie Johnson/johnston in 1824 NATHAN's brother MOSES' sons were EZEKIEL, MOSES Jr., NATHAN, DAVID, SAMUEL, ASAHIEL and maybe another MICHAEL. EZEKIEL and ASAHIEL remained in Kentucky while his other sons travelled to Ohio and elsewhere.

We have several descendants of both NATHAN and MOSES as members.



From 'Courts of Justice, Bench and Bar, Washington Co., Penn.'  
 Information compiled by Boyd Drumrine

P. 4 - "At a Council of War held at Catfish Camp in the District of West Augusta on Tuesday, Jan. 28, 1777..." attended Capt. MICHAEL RAWLINGS. (Later the town of Washington was built on the site of Catfish Camp.)





### Some Ohio Records

"History of Franklin and Pickaway Counties, Ohio" pub. by Williams Bros.  
p.328

MOSES RAWLINS came from Maryland as early as 1808 and took a fifteen year lease on a part of Edward Williams' place, opposite the farm now owned by Philomene Gray. There he raised twelve children, five of whom are still living. A son EZEKIEL married twice. He settled in Scioto County and had twenty-six children, seven by his first wife and nineteen by his second, who survives him. (some say his first wife bore him 9 children and his 2nd only 17. Who's counting?)  
Moses was born in Maryland but he came to Ohio via Kentucky.  
This MOSES was the son of MOSES (1720-1787)

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### From Gravestone Inscriptions, Pickaway County, Ohio

ALBINA RAWLINGS, wife of EZEKIEL, died Dec. 7, 1844, aged 31 years.  
Buried in cemetery on Paul Peters farm in Harrison Township.  
(This was EZEKIEL's first wife.)

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### From Ohio Genealogical Society - FGS of EZEKIEL RAWLINGS

Only one child is noted from the marriage of EZEKIEL RAWLINGS and Elmira (sp) McDonald. This was DANIEL, b. 1842; died Feb. 14, 1863, as a combatant in the War Between the States, at St. Louis, Missouri.

The children from the marriage of EZEKIEL RAWLINGS and his second wife, Celia Ann McCarty were: (He md. her Aug. 26, 1846, Pickaway Co.)

ALBERT, b. 1853

SCOTT, b. Aug. 23, 1855, Circleville, Ohio; died Jan. 9, 1933,  
Augusta, Kansas. He married Allene Spencer May 21, 1882.

WESLEY, b. 1852

ELIZABETH, b. 1857

HANNA, b. 1858

NANCY, b. 1859

(more unnamed, or perhaps died young)

JANE

LETITIA (LETTY)

LAURA

MILTON

EZEKIEL, the patriarch, died in Pickaway Co., July 9, 1878

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### Clark Co., Indiana Marriages

EMILY RAWLINGS, b. ca 1808-1810, married James Welsh, Aug. 3, 1828





From Julia Hielscher, 8472 North 107th, Longmont, CO 80504

Here is the will of a GEORGE RAWLING of Prince Georges Co., Maryland. To which Maryland family does he belong?

In the name of God, amen, I, GEORGE RAWLING Sr. of Prince Georges Co. in the state of Maryland, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, but considering the uncertain time of this transitory life, do make and ordain this, my last will and testament, in manner following, after first commending my soul into the merciful hands of Almighty God. I give and dispose of my worldly estate in the following manner, VIZ

I give and bequeath to my daughter ANN RAWLING one bed and furniture the best I have excepting one:

I give and bequeath to my dearly beloved wife REBECCA RAWLING the remaining part of my estate during her widowhood. And after, it is my will that the remaining part of my estate except what is willed to my daughter ANN above be equally divided between my nine children - THOMAS, MARY, ANN, GORDEN, GEORGE, JOHN, SARAH, PRISCILLA and WILLIAM RAWLING.

Lastly I do hereby nominate, ordain, constitute and appoint my dearly beloved wife REBECCA whole and sole Executrix of this my last will and testament, revoking and making void all other will or wills by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this Eighth Day of March one thousand seven hundred and eighty-two.

Signed, sealed, published, declared by the aforesaid GEORGE RAWLING as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who subscribe the same as evidence in his presence, at his request, and in the presence of each other.

Signed with his mark  
GEORGE RAWLING

Recorded in Liber LL folio 154

BENJAMIN TAYLOR, JOHN ATHEY,  
JOHN WEBSTER



From the research of Neil Smith, 227 Rose Park Drive, Jefferson City, Missouri 65109 e-mail sieben@prodigy.net (Addenda by KR)

This concerns the family of JOHN HOLLADAY\*RAWLINS of Spotsylvania Co., Virginia; Clark County, Kentucky and Howard County, Missouri Territory. (see end of article for reason for asterisk - Ed. note)

The patriarch of the RAWLINGS family of Howard County, Missouri, was JOHN HOLLADAY RAWLINS, son of JAMES RAWLINS and Sara Elizabeth (Holladay) RAWLINS. He was born April 8, 1747 in Spotsylvania Co., Virginia. and died in 1820 in Howard Co., Missouri. JOHN's father was one of six children of JAMES RAWLINS Senior, wife's name unknown. The elder JAMES was born ca 1680 in England and died April 9, 1757, in Spotsylvania Co. Will Book B, p. 314. This family was primarily Methodist for generations. Sarah Holladay was the daughter of the fabled JOHN HOLLADAY, a captain in the Virginia Rangers (Colonial).

JOHN HOLLADAY RAWLINS father JAMES was born ca 1710/20 and died June 5, 1784. In the June 4 issue of the Baltimore Sun's genealogical column there is much detail on this family down thru several generations.

The subject of this research by Neil Smith is JOHN HOLLADAY RAWLINS. His first wife was Nancy Holladay who was the mother of 8 of his children.

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They were THOMAS C., MARY, BENJAMIN H., LEVI, JOHN W. (probably Wesley), SUSANNAH (who died at age 4), ROBERT and OWEN. They were probably all born in Virginia. For some reason all the children went with JOHN and Nancy to Kentucky with the exception of LEVI, who remained in Virginia with relatives. Nancy died in January of 1800 in Kentucky. It wasn't long after that JOHN married the widow Jane Embree. Her maiden was Bush. By Jane he had 6 more children - JAMES DAWSON, WILLIAM, ELVINA, JULIA C., JANE and NANCY. The family left Clark Co., Kentucky 1817/18 and moved to Howard County in the then Missouri Territory. It wasn't long after that JOHN HOLLADAY RAWLINGS died, and then began a series of court actions regarding his will, guardianship of the minor children, and it seems the children of Nancy had problems with JOHN's 2nd wife being made Executrix of the will. Eventually it was all sorted out, but if any of the readers want the details contact Neil. He's done a masterful job of getting the facts straight.

It might be noted that some of the elder children did very well for themselves. THOMAS became an Howard Co. Justice of the Peace. OWEN later became an Howard Co. Judge and a prominent Missouri legislator. JOHN W. later became guardians for the younger children of Jane and JOHN HOLLADAY RAWLINGS. That same JOHN W. married Mildred Embree, and his sister MARY married Jonathan Bush. THOMAS C. also married a Bush, Esther. Nothing much is heard about BENJAMIN, born in 1796 in Virginia, or of ROBERT born in 1794. Of the children of JOHN HOLLADAY RAWLINS and Jane, JAMES DAWSON RAWLINS had an itchy foot which took him up into the northern part of Illinois where he hunted and guided and tracked, returning to marry Lovisa Collier in Howard Co. in 1828. JAMES was born Feb. 28, 1802 in Kentucky, and died in 1883 in Illinois. He had 9 children, among whom was JOHN AARON RAWLINS, aide to Gen. U.S. Grant (Chief of Staff) and later named Secretary of War in Grant's cabinet when he became President. By 1830 in Howard County, Missouri, according to the Federal Census, J.W....OWEN...and THOMAS were the only RAWLINS listed. In 1840 there was only JOHN W., OWEN, THOMAS and Milly, widow of JOHN W. RAWLINS.

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It must be noted that this family, as others of this surname, found their names spelled RAWLINGS, RAWLINS, ROLLINGS and ROLLINS, although the original immigrant was JAMES RAWLINS

\*Now the asterisk. Around the same time and the same general area which included southern Pennsylvania, the Maryland neck, and Virginia...there were two families; one HOLLIDAY, primarily in Pennsylvania...and the other HOLLADAY found in Virginia. Why the difference in spelling one will never know, only that all the HOLLADAYS who married into the RAWLINS family for at least 3 generations, and maybe more, were spelled with the 'a'.

If you are really interested in this family and its many branches contact Neil. He has lots of information. As well, we have here in the files at R/RFHA.



Some Kentucky Marriages

Henry County

ARTHUR RAWLING to POLLY RAWLING, Feb. 18, 1813  
 ELEAZER RAWLINGS to Sally Hook, Sept. 13, 1805  
 LEVI RAWLINS to Sally Heaton, April 1, 1813  
 JAMES RAWLINS to Nelly Speed, Nov. 10, 1810  
 STEPHEN RAWLINS to POLLY RAWLINS, Feb. 18, 1813 (did she marry twice  
 WILLIAM RAWLINS to Priscilla Ray, Sept. 23, 1900 to cousins in one day?)



Fayette County

JOHN RAWLINS to Catherine Hutchinson, Nov. 18, 1848  
 JOSEPH RAWLINS to Nancy Briggs, June 16, 1806 (Thomas RAWLINS, Bondsman)



Records from Eden Chapel Graveyard, Fleming County, Kentucky  
 Compiled by Caren Dawn Curotto, 1985

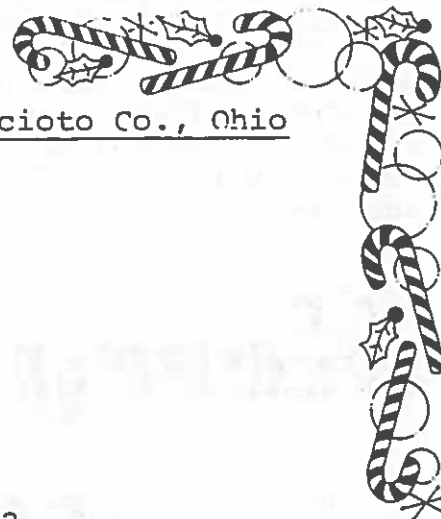
Caren notes that there were other graves but had no stones or markers.  
 Those listed total 284.

Sarah, wife of WESLEY RAWLINGS, born Mar. 14, 1818; died April 7, 1899  
 WILLIAM PAWLINGS, born 1775; died Dec. 29, 1869, aged 94 years  
 PRESLEY RAWLINGS, born Feb. 1, 1813; died Oct. 18, 1881  
 Margaret, wife of WILLIAM RAWLINGS, born March 13, 1784; died March 29, 1851



From the National Genealogical Society Quarterly, Vol.52 #1, p.18

WILLIAM RAWLINGS Sr. - will dated Feb. 22, 1814. In it the testator names his wife Barbara, sons PRESLEY, THOMAS, AARON and WILLIAM Jr., and daughter MARY Day. Also grandson SAMUEL Day, and granddaughter BARBARA, daughter of WILLIAM Jr. The will is located in the Fleming County Circuit Clerk's Office, Fleming County, KY.  
 William Knight of Urbana, Ohio, wrote in 1941 that WILLIAM PAWLINGS Jr. came to Kentucky from Loudon Co., Va. He learned this from his grandfather JAMES F. RAWLINGS who was the son of WILLIAM Jr.



Partial list of marriages on record in Portsmouth, Scioto Co., Ohio

ELIJAH ROLLINS to Matilda Cable, Nov. 26, 1821  
 JOHN ROLLINS to Rebecca Giles, Jan. 1, 1824  
 ANTHONY ROLLINS to Nancy McGee, Jan. 3, 1837  
 CHARLES RAWLINS to Susan Thompson, Jan. 5, 1843  
 AMOR RAWLINS to Mary J. Thompson, Nov. 21, 1848  
 ELI ROLLINS to Sarah Blagg, March 6, 1853  
 JOSEPH ROLLINS to Susan Watten, Nov. 27, 1859  
 ANTHONY RAWLINS to Mary Jane Carter, Jan. 22, 1869  
 SAMUEL RAWLINS to Sarah McDonald, March 23, 1869  
 ADAM RAWLINS to Sarah J. Slack, Nov. 2, 1872  
 WILLIAM ROLLINS to Rebecca Boyd, Dec. 23, 1875  
 ANTHONY ROLLINS to Elizabeth Hopkins, Sept. 19, 1892  
 DANIEL RAWLINS to Nora Ratliff, April 27, 1909

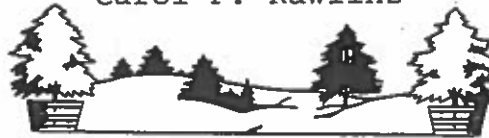


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#### History of Hamilton Co., Indiana by John F. Haines, 1915

William Neal and HANNAH ROLLINGS were united in marriage at her home west of Cicero, in 1840. She was born in Coshocton Co., Ohio, Feb. 14, 1822, the daughter of WILLIAM K. and Susan (Hershman) ROLLINGS. Her father was born at Harper's Ferry, Maryland. The family came from their Ohio home as pioneers to Hamilton County about 1837, travelling by wagon along a "blazed trail". The mother succumbed to the harshness of pioneer life not many years after settling in Jackson Township. WILLIAM K. ROLLINGS remarried and reared another family. We note that two half-brothers of HANNAH gave their lives as soldiers to the Union cause during the War Between the States. CHARLES died in a hospital at Camp Chase, Ohio, April 1, 1864, and ROBERT EDWARD was killed at the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain June 18 the year. William and HANNAH Neal were the parents of a large family. Of their children, JAMES S., MARY A., LUCULLUS G., CHARLES M. and MOSES died very young. Those who grew up were SARAH C. married to Dr. A.B. Mendenhall; WILLIAM WORTH who died in an accident at age 20; THOMAS D. married Frances Martin; MARTHA H. was the wife of James M. Little; FRANCES A. died at age 15; RICHARD P. married Dovey J. Parent; JOHN F.; SUSAN L.; and EDWARD E. married Mabel Beall. All the married children reared families. RICHARD died at his home in Cicero September 30, 1906 aged 49.

# Merry Christmas



# Happy New Year