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From: Genealogy Resource Library [fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net]

Sent: Wednesday, November 30, 2016 1:45 PM

To: 'Paige Aiken'

Subject: FW: Aiken Research Request Results

Hello Paige,

I have searched our files and was unable to find William's parents.

Unfortunately, South Carolina did not start keeping birth and death certificates until the 1910's.

Here is what little I found on William and Mary's family:

I did find William and his wife in the 1860, 1870 and 1880 Census. The 1890 Census was burned, did not find them in the 1900 Census, so they may have died by this time.

His son Hiram is listed in the 1880 Census living in Fairfield Count and in the 1900 Census had moved to Columbia, Richland County.

His son James was living in Richland County in both the 1900 and 1910 Census.

I looked for death certificates and only found one for:

John Bunyan Aiken – died on September 3, 1928 at 68 in Columbia, son of Wm. R. Aiken and Mary Ann Scott and is buried in the Olympia Cemetery.

Martha Jane LeGrande died on September 23, 1921 in Lexington County, she was born on October 15, 1869, she was the daughter of Wm. Aiken and Mary Ann Scott, she was buried in the Bethel Church Cemetery.

Jon

Jon Davis

FCGS-Fairfield County Genealogy Society, Cemetery Committee Chairman Fairfield County Archives and Family Resource Library Volunteer

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From: Genealogy Resource Library [fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net]

Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2016 5:57 PM

To: 'Paige Aiken'

Subject: RE: Aiken Family line Research Request Status

Hello Paige,

Your request is now number #16 (now #10 for non-members) of 20 total outstanding request.

Thanks for your patience with us. We have been working as time permits on your request. Walk-in's and members have priority for assistance with research.

We would love to provide our services at no cost and hope to one day be able to provide this service.

However, at this time we are totally supported by volunteers and donations.

On our membership application you will see we provide a multiple of research tools and supplies for researchers.

We are a 501-C3 society and all donations are tax deductible.

Normally, we encourage researchers to become members of our chapter (see website).
Members receive free priority research and free paper copies for their membership year.
For non-members, we normally charge \$15 per request (3 hours) and \$.10 per copies.

For our records would you please share any information you have updated on your family lines. The information will be filed and made available in our family files. This will aide to expedite future request for research and assist walk-in researchers.

Please let us know if you need any further assistance and feel free to call us to check the status of your request.

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From: Paige Aiken [mailto:bakerpuzzlemaker@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, August 09, 2016 2:59 PM **To:** fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net

Subject: Aiken Family line Research Request

Hello,

My name is Shelley Paige Aiken (b. 1970 in Columbia, SC) and I am searching for a missing link in my Aiken family line from Fairfield County, SC. I have accumulated a ton of information on the Aiken families of South Carolina (no doubt much more than I need), but cannot make the link I so desperately seek.

I have acquired and researched online several documents pertaining to original Aiken families (other spellings too) immigrating to America from Northern Ireland starting in the mid 1700's going forward. I also know my line going backwards to the birth of my GGGgrandfather, William R. Aiken born in 1813. This, I found in the attached 1880 census for Fairfield County Township 9. He is listed with his wife, Mary A. and 7 children, Margret, John, Boliver (my GGgrandfather), Matha A., Emiline, Major and James. **The information I'm lacking is *William R. Aiken's FATHER***. The best clue I have is that this unnamed father of William R. Aiken was born in Ireland (census 1880 far right hand column, "Place of Father's birth").

Part of the problem I've found is that there are many, many, many named "William Aiken". Some of the earliest from Ireland are named William Aiken with sons and grandsons and greatgrandsons all named William Aiken. But I digress and restate that my William R. Aiken's father (unknown) was born in Ireland.

Not to complicate matters, only to show a small part of my confusion...in the very same Census of 1880, there is yet another William Aiken family (not mine) listed in Fairfield Township 13 with his wife and family (remember my William R. Aiken is across the way in Township 9). I think this other William may be the James and Elizabeth Reid line but I'm not sure.

Just home from a visit to the Aiken-Rhett House in Charleston, SC, and investigating that line, I feel fairly sure that I am not descended from that family line, James and Elizabeth Reid Aiken.

So, in a nutshell, I'm looking for the father of William R. Aiken, born in 1813 (+/- 1 year). The 1880 census lists that he is born in South Carolina, so maybe there is a birth certificate available that would list his father and mother? Or maybe, just maybe, someone at the Fairfield County Genealogy Society is family with this particular William R. Aiken and perhaps knows who his parents were?

I have my fingers crossed as my eyes are literally hurting from all of the research and there is a longing in my heart to close this one gap and move on.

Thank you in advance for any information you can add or suggest, Paige Aiken Currently residing in St. Augustine, Florida 904-806-2417 phone and text

From:

Paige Aiken [bakerpuzzlemaker@yahoo.com]

Sent: To: Tuesday, August 09, 2016 5:37 PM fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net

Subject:

Aiken Family line Research Request/Small addition

While searching message boards at Ancestry, I've come across a few people looking for the same information. Here's the most discouraging...

"I am searching for William Robert Aiken of Fairfield Cnty., S. C. He married Mary A. His children were Margaret, John, Bolivar, Martha A, Emiline, Major, James, Hiram, Elizabeth, William.

They lived in and around Winsboro and Columbia, S. C.

The only children that we are able to find anything on is Bolivar and James. James was my grand father who married Bertha Perry. The rest of the children could not just have disappeared. There must be some information some where about these people.

Would love to make contact with anyone with any info, no matter how trivial.

Charles William Aiken, Jr."

AND THIS ONE TOO ...

"My grand father was James Aiken. Live in Columbia, S. C. all his life. his brother Bolivar (Boliver) I know about, but his siblings: Martha, Elizabeth, Hiram, Major, Jane, and John just could not have disappeared off the face of the earth. No one seeems to know anything or is not willing to tell anything about them.

They lived in Winnsboro, S. C., Kershaw County, South Carolina.

If anyone has the least bit of info on this family, I would be grateful to have it. i have searched for over 8 years for them.

Charles William Aiken, Jr."

Again, and help is appreciated.

- Paige Aiken 904-806-2417

From: Sent: Paige Aiken [bakerpuzzlemaker@yahoo.com]

Sent: To: Tuesday, August 23, 2016 9:22 AM fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net

Subject:

Aiken Family Fairfield County, SC

Dear Sir,

Thank you for speaking with me briefly by phone the other day.

I'm following up on a request for help tracking down my Aiken ancestors in Fairfield County, SC. My original email was dated August 9th, 2016. I do realize you have a backlog of requests and that member's requests are first in line. I am simply seeking a confirmation of receipt of first emails (2).

In short I am trying to determine the family/lineage/father of my ggggrandfather, William R. Aiken of Fairfield Township 9 (1880 census) so that I may continue to search backwards in time from him. I have extensive information on Aiken families immigrating from Ireland, but can make no connection to those. And also to prove/disprove if we are the same Aiken family as Gov. William Aiken of Charleston (I have tried, but cannot make a connection at all) who has family in Fairfield, SC at the very same time.

Many have searched for years and years for this information, to no avail.

Any information is appreciated.

Paige Aiken 904-806-2417 phone and text

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