



Hand drawn map of Tarboro North Carolina area showing Fishing Creek and Deep Creek and Tar River

(2) Robert Coleman, II and wife Susanna Unknown had these children:

Index	Chapter	Name	Approximated year of birth
(4)	3.	Robert Coleman, III,	b. c1700-1710 based on father's birth year
(5)	4.	Charles Coleman,	b. c1702-1712 based on brother's birth year
(6)	5.	Stephen Coleman,	b. c1704-1714 based on brother's birth year
(7)	6.	Moses Coleman, I,	b. c1706-1716 based on brother's birth year
(8)	7.	Theophilus Coleman,	b. c1708-1718 based on brother's birth year
(1351)	None	Aaron Coleman,	b. c1710-1720 based on brother's birth year

[Williams, 1956, Abstracts of the wills of Edgecombe County North Carolina 1733-1856]
 Aaron was added based on a 1763 court record abstract naming him guardian of Charles' orphan, Jonathan, calling Aaron an uncle to Jonathan.
 [EDGECOMBE COUNTY, NC, Court Minutes of the Pleas & Quarter Sessions -- 1757 - 1784
 LOS Microfilm #0370142, Posted to USGenWeb State Archives]

(3) William "Wiley" Coleman, was born about 1678 based on his brother (2) Robert Coleman, II's birth year. The earliest deed I've located involving a Coleman in Edgecombe County involves the sale of land by William Coleman just North of the Tar River. I submit this was the same as (3) William Coleman, though the will fails to mention any other Coleman than William and fails to mention William's origin or how he received the land or from whom or even to whom the land was originally patented. Many of the later deeds do one or more of these things and thus offer some clue or assurance of family lineage.

William's sale of land is found in Edgecombe Deeds 1733-1741. In the index to one of the two parts of the microfilm is found a deed from William Coleman to Samuel Lissums dated 11/2/1739 and proved in August Court, 1740. Here William sold land on the North side of the Tar River. A Richard Lissums has signed as a witness but no Colemans signed. Thus, while it is unclear who William Coleman was with respect to origin or where he went, it is possible, perhaps even likely, that this is the William Coleman who came from Nansmond, as the other group in that portion of Edgecombe that became Halifax would be at some distance Northeast of the Tar River.

William died with a will dated 29 Dec 1749, probated Feb. 1752. His will records his wife's first name as Jane, four children, his brother Robert, and witnesses, Moses Coleman, Cornelius Jordan, and Elin Jordan. "Elin" is most likely a misspelling of his daughter, Elen Coleman, who had married Cornelius Jordan.

(3) William "Wiley" Coleman had these children:

Index	Chapter	Name	Approximated year of birth
(9)	5.	Samuel Coleman,	b. c1704 based on father's birth year
(10)	9.	Sampson Coleman,	b. c1705 based on brother's birth year
(11)	10.	Sarah Coleman,	b. c1706 based on brother's birth year
(12)	11.	Susannah Coleman,	b. c1708 based on sister's birth year
(13)	12.	Elen Coleman,	b. c1710, d. between 1792 and 1794, Elen Coleman married Cornelius Jordan, Sr.

As was previously mentioned, the Coleman's of Nansmond County VA traveled with the Jordan Family (more about Jordans in Chapter 12) to make a new home in Edgecombe County, NC.

The fifth child, Elen, was discovered in Jordan-L archives. The family of Cornelius Jordan and wife, (13) Elen Coleman are recorded in Chapter 12. A daughter of Elen Coleman and Cornelius Jordan married Thomas Sanders. Thomas Sanders is mentioned among the Hedgepeths connected with John Coleman by marriage. It is unclear where this John Coleman fits in the tree.

(1351) Arma Coleman, b. c1690/15 was named (in 1763 Court Records of Edgecombe County, NC) as guardian of orphan Jonathan Coleman, son of Charles Coleman, who died in 1761. (See Chapter 4, Charles Coleman of Edgecombe County, NC)

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