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Descendants of Tames and Elizabeth Floming Ferguson Dedford County (now Itarshall), Tennessee

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Herman W. Ferguson graduated from Vanderbilt University, Nash-ville, TN (BA-'39, MS-'40), and devoted his professional career to the field of geology. He was first employed by the Tennessee Dept. of Conservation where he authored or co-authored three geological publications and rose to the position of State Geologist in 1951. The following year he joined U. S. Steel Corporation, and until retirement in 1982 was engaged in investigations of several mineral raw materials mainly in the field of non-metallic minerals and coal.

This contribution to the Ferguson family is his second in the field of genealogy, the first being an article published in the Spring 1987 issue of the Marshall County [TN] Historical Quarterly that outlined the first four generations of descendants of James and Elizabeth Ferguson.

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This 135-page work is about evenly divided between a chart of descendants of James Ferguson (1757-1816), who married Elizabeth Fleming (1763-1848), and biographical sketches of six of the plder members of the family. A 14-page Appendix adds biographical sketches as well as significant "finds" made after the book and index were in final form. James and "Betsy" Ferguson are first seen, around 1800, living in Iredell Co., NC and, according to family legend, settled in western Bedford Co. (now Marshall) TN around 1807 near the town of Chapel Hill. Most of the persons listed in the book are descendants of two of their sons - John Fleming Ferguson (1797-1870) and Ansel Harrison Ferguson (1800-1881). Ansel left Middle Tennessee as a young man, lived for a time in Western Tennessee, and then settled in Pontotoc Co., MS. John Fleming lived out his life a few miles north of Chapel Hill; he married Amelia Louise Brittain (1803-1854), the youngest child of Joseph Brittain, Jr. (1756-1823) and his wife Dorothy Horner (1769-1870). The Brittains had migrated from Orange Co., NC and bought a large tract about two miles west of Holts Corner. A large-scale map shows the boundaries of former Brittain/Ferguson/Fleming lands in the area. Siblings of these two brothers migrated into Davidson and Maury Counties, TN, to Graves Co., KY, to Preble Co., OH, and Dallas Co., IA. The index lists some 2,000 places and full names of persons; the most frequently occurring surnames are: ALFORD, ARNOLD, BRITTAIN, BROOKS, BROWN, BUCHANAN, COLE, CREIGHTON, DUDLEY, FLEMING, GILLESPIE, GILLIAM, HARRIS, HUGHES, IRELAND, JONES, LAWRENCE, LOVELL, MORGAN, MORRIS, POE, POWERS, REYNOLDS, STEPHENS, STEWART, THOMPSON, TURBEVILLE, WILLIAMS, YETZER and ZIMMERLE.