

# Fairfield County Genealogy Society

## Research Library Research Request Cover Sheet

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Member:  Yes (priority),  No

Position in-line: \_\_\_\_\_

Surname(s): FORD

Target: 1/1/

Started: 1/1/

Ready to File

Completed: 3/6/2020

Start research using Request, Family Group & Pedigree Sheets  
Check off each item as research is completed

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- Main Room – Northwest Corner (standing in entrance door)  
BookCat (Online Card Catalog)
  - Key in surname being researched
    - FB = Family Books
    - FF = Family Files
    - VF = Vertical Files
    - VF Church = Vertical Files labeled Churches
    - VF Fairfield = Vertical Files labeled Fairfield
    - VF Plats = Vertical Files labeled Plats
    - VF Wills = Vertical Files labeled Wills
  
- Main Room – Southwest Corner  
Computer with Large TV Screen
  - Check ICON labeled Library (Fairfield County Research Room)
    - African American Folder
    - Books Folder
    - CDs Folder
    - Church Cemeteries Folder
    - Family Books Section Folder
    - Family Researched Files Folder (also check Master List Spreadsheet)
    - Funeral Homes Folder
    - Maps, Map Information Folders
    - Obits Folder
    - Plats Folder
    - Wills Folder
  - Check Online Research Sources Folder
    - Other web resources available, like USC Libraries, etc.
  
- Main Room – North Side, Northeast Corner
  - Local Church History & Denominational Church History
  - Deeds
  - Wills
  - Equity Court
  - Cemeteries
  - Birth Scrapbook
  - Marriage Notices & Scrapbook
  - Death Notices & Scrapbook

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- Main Room – East Side, Northeast Corner
  - County History & Publications
  
- Main Room – East Side
  - African American History
  - African American Obits
  - African American Cemeteries
  - Census & County History
  - Microfilm Index
  - Misc. Reference & Scrapbooks
  
- Main Room – West Side
  - Genealogy Society Information
  
- Main Room – Southeast Corner
  - Family Books
  
- Project Room – East Side (standing in entrance door)
  - Gift Shop
  - Maps
  
- Project Room – Northeast Corner
  - Colonial
  - American Independence & Scrapbooks
  - Native American
  - Mexican War
  - Southern Independence & Scrapbooks
  - World War I & Scrapbooks
  - World War II & Scrapbooks
  
- Project Room – Northwest Corner
  - Microfilm Collection
  
- File Room – North Side (standing in entrance door)
  - Family Vertical Files (A-Z)
  - Genealogical Society Newsletters
  
- File Room – East Side
  - Church History & Cemetery Vertical Files
  - Fairfield County & Community Vertical Files
  - Will Vertical Files
  - Maps
  
- File Room – West Side
  - Plat Vertical Files
  - War Vertical Files
  - DAR & UDC Vertical Files
  
- Ask others for Ideas
  - Check with Pelham
  - Check with Shelbia

## Genealogy Resource Library

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**From:** Genealogy Resource Library [fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, March 06, 2020 1:21 PM  
**To:** 'lforster@earthlink.net'  
**Subject:** RE: Ford picture

Hello LaRue,

Sorry, but I was not able to prove maiden name of Susanna.  
Some research sites say she was a Faust, but give no sources.

Jon

Jon Davis  
FCGS-Fairfield County Genealogy Society, Cemetery Committee Chairman  
Fairfield County Archives and Family Resource Library Researcher

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### Fairfield County Genealogy Society

**Mail:** Fairfield County Genealogy Society  
P.O. Box 93  
Winnsboro, SC 29180-0093

**Library:** 2nd Floor of the Fairfield County Museum  
231 South Congress Street  
Winnsboro, SC

**Office Hours:** Monday-Friday 10:00AM-5:00PM; (Lunch Noon-1:00PM)  
Saturday 10:00AM-2:00PM, or by appointment  
Sunday closed, or by appointment only  
Volunteer staffed, please call before coming

**Phone:** (803) 635-9811  
**Fax:** (803) 815-9811  
**Email:** <mailto:fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net>  
**Website:** <http://www.fairfieldgenealogysociety.org>

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**From:** Genealogy Resource Library [mailto:fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 22, 2019 10:31 AM  
**To:** 'lforster@earthlink.net'  
**Subject:** RE: Ford picture

Hello LaRue,

I am not sure how we came about the picture and I noticed information was typed on to copy of photo.  
We obtain information for the family files in a various form of ways.  
This looks as if a researcher gave us a copy while visiting.  
I will try to determine from your email the corrections needed or you can email me the correct information.

Thanks,

Eddie

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**From:** lfoster@earthlink.net [mailto:lfoster@earthlink.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 21, 2019 10:00 PM  
**To:** 'Genealogy Resource Library'  
**Subject:** RE: Membership and Newsletter query

Thank you for your kind response. I did notice that you have a picture misidentified in the Ford files on line. It's identified as Dorrel Ford and Malinda Caroline Gibson. They were married in 1837 when she was just sixteen (born about 1821) and he was 44. My great uncle, James Love Ford, told me a story passed down from his grandfather, John Faust Ford, son of Dorrel, that the children from Dorrel's first marriage did not like their new stepmother at all, even putting burrs under her saddle, hoping she'd come to grief in a fall from her horse. Actually, Caroline (she went by her middle name) outlived Dorrel who died 4 February 1861. They had a large family which I will post to you soon.

The picture is actually one of his son, Pinkney Dorrel Ford and his wife, Caroline Scarborough who married shortly after the Civil War. Pink (as his family called him) was never in good health after being a prisoner in a union prison camp in Nashville. They had two boys but he died when they'd been married about 3 years. I'll look up the exact dates. After Pink died, Caroline took the two boys to Mississippi to live with her parents. I don't know if she ever remarried. (As you can imagine, there was a shortage of men in the South after the war, just as there was in Great Britain after World War I.)

I'd be curious to know where the picture came from. I have a copy of it myself, and I think my grandmother got it from her parents. She's the one who identified the couple to me.

LaRue Foster

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**From:** Genealogy Resource Library <fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, October 21, 2019 4:50 PM  
**To:** lfoster@earthlink.net  
**Subject:** RE: Membership and Newsletter query

Hello LaRue,

Wow, it is always nice to hear from someone that is such an avid researcher and volunteer.

As a member, please feel free to write an article or short history of the Ford family and its links to Fairfield County and other families for the newsletter.

Also submit records new and/or corrected for the FCGS Research Library Family Files.

If you can send them on a USB stick or disk format that would be great or access Dropbox, however, we can digitize hard copy as well.

We do publish submitted queries from membership and/or answers to those queries.

The past two newsletters were behind so did not contain this section in the newsletter.

As a member, you will be able to see all newsletters since 1988 and use a search engine that will search all files on FCGS website. Also, we can add this query to the newsletter in part of the section that we ask members or anyone checking out the current newsletter

if they know the answer to the query.

Please give me a call if you have any questions on being able to transverse through the FCGS website or any other questions.

It would be wonderful to have you here in SC on day and perhaps volunteer here at the museum in the FCGS Research Library.

Glad to hear that your health issues are now thankfully resolved.

Thanks for your membership and support,

Eddie

Eddie Killian  
FCGS-Fairfield County Genealogy Society, President  
Fairfield County Archives and Family Resource Library Manager

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**From:** [lfoster@earthlink.net](mailto:lfoster@earthlink.net) [<mailto:lfoster@earthlink.net>]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 21, 2019 2:27 PM  
**To:** [fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net](mailto:fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net)  
**Subject:** Membership and Newsletter query

I'm a descendant of William Gardner Ford (d. 1805, Fairfield County) and his wife Magdalen Love (d 1837, Greene County AL; daughter of Robert Love and cousin to Isaac Love of Fairfield County). I've been researching the Fords of Fairfield for over 40 years. My cousin Sidney Ford Tatum published a book on William Gardner Ford's brother Nathaniel and his line from which she's descended. I read it and gave her some corrections I'd identified in my research which she promised to correct in her next book, but she never got around to doing a second book and a few years ago her vision was failing and she went to live with her daughter up North. Most of the errors were not in her line, but in William Gardner Ford's line that she mentioned throughout the book. So if anyone is using her book as a primary source (it's really a secondary source; estate papers and court records are a primary source), ask them to contact me to verify the correctness of the information on anyone in William Gardner Ford's line. I'll be glad to help anyone who is researching my line or any line connected with it.

I've also taught classes (I was on the board of directors for years in Burbank, California of the Southwestern Genealogical Society) in researching difficult issues and some of the findings that one can make that show errors in past research. I'll be happy to contribute to the newsletter articles that deal with such subjects if you would be interested.

The Fords are now spread far and wide since they lived in Fairfield at the time of the Revolution (Craven County then) and until the 1830s. Some cousins and I, all trained researchers, are continuing to trace the family. I'd be happy to share all my findings, including the parentage of William Gardner Ford, Nathaniel Ford, Hezekiah Ford, Elizabeth Ford (married Burrell Burge), and Martha Keziah Ford (married Nicholas Peay). Many of William Gardner Ford's children moved to western Alabama in the 1830s, including his son Dorrel Ford through whom I'm descended. Many in the next generation moved to MS, then to Texas.

I'd be glad to prepare a short history of the family and its links in Fairfield to other families. I do have a question. Does the newsletter ever publish queries? It seems an ideal place to have queries about genealogical research problems. I have one that

I've searched for many years. Susanna, first wife of Dorrel Ford died 27 September 1834 in Greene County AL the day after giving birth to her ninth child. I know her birthdate but have been unable to find her parents or her maiden name. Her birthdate is 19 July 1789. That's the kind of query I had in mind to be able to post in the newsletter. I didn't see any queries in the current issue of the newsletter on line.

I am completing the online application and submit my membership fee. Hopefully, I can get back to SC to do some more research in Fairfield and the State Archives early next year. I had to take time off from genealogy for some health problems, now thankfully resolved. Doing genealogical research inspired me to take a mid-career break and go to law school to help with estate issues and wills. Although technically retired, I still do a fair amount of legal work for a consulting firm in which I own a part interest.

My goal is by next year or the year after I'll be able to move to SC (I live in FL currently). You can count on me then to be an avid volunteer in the library. I'm sure some old papers I filed there are still on file, but the findings in them are outdated and I'll be happy to submit records to bring them up to date. Would you like them on disk or in hard copy?

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[LFoster@earthlink.net](mailto:LFoster@earthlink.net)

Feel free to call me or if you'd like to talk or have questions about anything I've written here and not pay for a call, just send me your phone number and the best time to contact you. I have nationwide free long distance.

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**From:** 123ContactForm [noreply@123formbuilder.io]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 22, 2019 6:10 AM  
**To:** fairfieldgenealogy@truvista.net  
**Subject:** [My Form]

**First & Last Name** LaRue Foster

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### In Honor of and/or Memory of Designation

**Surname List** Ford, Love, Arledge, Peay

**Research Query** I'm looking for the birth family of Susanna (sometimes called Susan), who married Dorrel Ford circa 1813 in Fairfield County. Her birthdate is 19 July 1789. The only possible clues I have to her birth name are the names of her two oldest sons, Austin L. Ford and John Faust Ford (I've not been able to connect her to the Fausts in Fairfield or Richland counties. I'm wondering if she could be related to John Brown, Dorrel Ford's best friend, or whether she might belong to a neighboring family to Dorrel's father's property. Dorrel's father was William Gardner Ford (he usually went by his middle name) and Magdalen Love. Gardner died in Fairfield County in 1805. Magdalen died in Greene County AL in 1837.

Thank you for your membership and support!

### Feedback

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CANNOT PROVE MAIDEN NAME OF SUSANNA, SOME RESEARCH SITE SAY SHE WAS A FAUST, BUT GIVE NO SOURCES.

BILL 1822 # 8 ♂ 1834 # 5  
 DORREL FORD s/o GARDNER ♂ MAGDALENE FORD  
 SISTER MARY<sup>ANN</sup> - MARRIED WILLIAM LOVE  
 " NANCY M. - MARRIED JOHN BROWN  
 " KESSIAH - MARRIED JAMES FORD  
 " SARAH ARLEDGE - MARRIED FREDERICK BAILEY  
 " JANE - MARRIED A. MIDDLETON

1860 CENSUS CHOCTAW CO, ALA  
 DORREL FORD 67 S.C. (1793)  
 CARLINE\* 39 S.C. (1821)  
 C. W. 18 ALA  
 M. 16 ALA  
 ZACK 13 ALA  
 HENRY 6 ALA

→ CAROLINE GIBSON - 2ND WIFE?

1850 CENSUS CHOCTAW CO, ALA  
 DORAL FORDS 57 SC  
 CAROLINE 30 SC  
 E. P. 18 SC (1832)  
 WARREN 11 ALA (1839)  
 CHARLES W. 9 ALA (1841)  
 MARTHA 7 ALA (1843)  
 ZACK F. 4 ALA (1846)

1870 CENSUS CHOCTAW CO, ALA  
 CAROLINE FORD 50 SC  
 HENRY " 15 ALA.  
 FRANK BROWN 27 ALA.  
 MARTHA " 24 ALA  
 JOHN W. " 6/12 ALA

~~MAMA~~  
 CAROLINE GIBSON MARRIED DORREL FORD ON FEB 16, 1837 IN SUMMER, ALA

FAG  
 SUSANNA WAS SAID TO HAVE DIED IN 1834  
 AUSTIN LOVE FORD 1816-1884  
 JOHN FAUST FORD 1819-1899  
 WILLIAM GARDNER FORD 1825-1900  
 CHARLES WESLEY FORD 1842-1929

1830 CENSUS FAIRFIELD CO.  
 DERRIL FORD  
 2 MALES UNDER 5 1 FEMALE UNDER 5  
 1 MALE 5-10 1 FEMALE 15-20  
 1 MALE 20-30 1 FEMALE 30-40  
 1 MALE 30-40

FAG  
 DORRELL FORD 1793-1863  
 BURIED IN SARDIS CEM.  
 CHOCTAW, ALA  
 DORREL FORD  
 21/1/1793-21/4/1861

SUSANNA FAUST w/o DORREL  
 2/19/1789-9/27/1834-GREEN CO, ALA.

FROM FORDS OF FAIRFIELD COUNTY, S.C., VOL 1, by Sidney Ford Tatom

DORRELL FORD b2/1/1793 married (1) Susanna (2) Malinda Caroline Gibson