# **Fairfield Family Histories**

(1700s-1982)

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married James Tindal Quattlebaum, (M.D.) June 25, 1932. Their children: (1) James Tindal Quattlebaum, Jr. (M.D.) born July 26, 1933, graduate of USC, Phi Beta Kappa, Medical College of Charleston, Columbia University Medical College, Psychiatrist, Mental Health Consultant, Washingon, D.C. and Rockville, Md., married Judith Piatt Hogentogler. (2) George McMaster (1936-1936) IV. Edward Anderson (1915-1975) married Lucille Bryant (1907-1973) of Grantville, Ga. She was dean of LaGrange College and a writer. Edward Anderson, graduate of Clemson College, First Lieutenant Pacific Theatre in-World War II, with Uniroyal Hogansville, Ga., Winnsboro, and Luxembourg, Member of Fiber Society, Committee D13, St. Andrews Society, Lions Club, Deacon ARP Church.

#### Spencer R. McMaster

Spencer Rice McMaster (Oct. 1, 1893-Dec. 23, 1980), graduate of Randolph Macon College, Ashland, Virginia (1914), business entrepreneur, married Mary Frances Williford (b. May 5, 1898- d. May 16, 1974), daughter of Quay Dunavant Williford and Addie Robinson.

Children: (1) Spencer Rice McMaster, (1922), married (1) Constance Thomas (1916-1972), daughter, Gay McMaster, who married Jerry Brown, daughter of Lindsay Leigh, (2) married Winifred Fowler.

(II) Addie Jeanne McMaster (1925), who married (1) Lawrence Brown, children: Mary Frances Brown, married Robert Curlee, daughters Elizabeth Jeanne and Emily Willifred, (2). married Lucas Ford, children: Spencer McMaster Ford (b. 1951-d. 1964) (3) married William Haigh.

(III) Quay Williford McMaster, (b. 1927), who married Lucy Lewis Thomas.

(IV) Fitz-John Creighton McMaster (1929), who married Anne Ashe Edmunds. Children: Sally Anne Edmunds McMaster (1956), William Spencer McMaster (b. 1958), and Esther Ashe McMaster (b. 1969).

# Mann Family

I. James Mann came from Ireland to Charleston, on the Ship "Pennsylvania" on January 6, 1773. He was around the age of 16. At this time being unable to pay for the property, he was given a royal grant of 200 acres on Crooked Run Creek, in the present day Fairfield County. We have no record of who he married or the exact number of children he had. The S.C. Dept. of Archives and History have records which lead us to believe that he was probably married twice, but have no names of his wives; there are six children listed: James Mann, Thomas Mann, and Thomas Mann, Nathanial Mann, Elizabeth Mann (McWright) and Jane Mann (Frazier.)

James Mann died in 1818. A copy of his will is filed in the S.C. Dept of Archives and History. It is interesting to note, by his will, how he distributed his property; 50 acres of land and three negroes, and so on to each of them. The last Daughter was willed \$40.00. His will was executed in 1818 and he died in 1818. Also according to the records in the Archives, he participated in the American Revolution. The plat for James Mann is marked Irish. (Source-Royal Plat in plat book in S.C. Archives).

From S.C. Historical Magazine, V. 2: James Mann enlisted Sept. 18, 1775 at the age of 18, and he was 5 ft. 6 inches tall.

From DAR Patriot Index, P.435: James Mann died 8/7/1818; M.? Cav. S.C. James Mann is a proven Revolutionary Ancestor, and copies of application papers already filed in his name are available from: Treasurer-General NSDAR, 1776 D. St., NW, Washington, DC 20006.

1790 Census-Fairfield County: James Mann-2 white males 16-2 white males under 16, and 4 females.

II. Nathaniel Mann was married to Margaret Richardson (1790-July 3, 1878) on Dec. 7, 1809. They had seven children: Capt. James Mann, Sept. 6, 1811 to May 20, 1899; Elizabeth Mann, April 24, 1813 to no date; Nancy Mann, Nov. 25, 1817 to no date; Thomas Mann, ? 1820 to Jan. 17, 1893; Mary Mann, Dec. 12, 1821 to no date; Ester Mann, Jan. 9, 1824 to Jan. 8, 1870.

Capt. James Mann was married to Mary Anne Fridy (Aug. 8, 1823-Feb. 18, 1899) on July 3, 1845. They had three children: Thomas Franklin Mann, Jan. 27, 1848 to Oct. 10, 1893; David Nathaniel Mann, May 25, 1846 to Jan. 25, 1911; Samuel Lawrence Mann, Sept. 2, 1855 to June 10, 1927.

IV. Thomas Franklin Mann was married to Rebecca Carolina Watt (July 11, 1856-Jan. 9, 1918) on Dec. 5, 1874. Their home was built for them by his father (Capt. James Mann) when they were married. This house is still standing and in good shape, considering how old it is. (It now belongs to his great grandson, David Harold Mann, son of Herbert Porter Mann) When originally built, the kitchen, dining room and pantry were in the basement. Cooking was done over open fire, the fireplace had an arm that swung over the fire holding the iron pot. They also had all the odd iron skillets with little legs to sit over hot coals, which they used in cooking. Later the kitchen and dining room were moved upstairs.

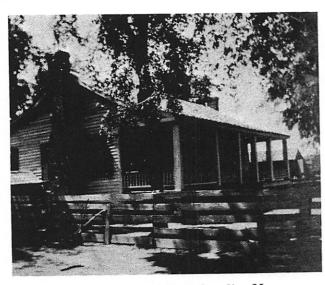
During the American Revolution, Lord Cornwallis with his troops camped above the old home, about a fourth of a mile. After they broke camp and left, Grandfather was walking around where they had camped and found a big crock pitcher, iron brick with a hoop on the end of it (which was used to tie a horse to) and a big iron cannonball, which he took home with him. These items have been handed down the generations and still remain in the family.

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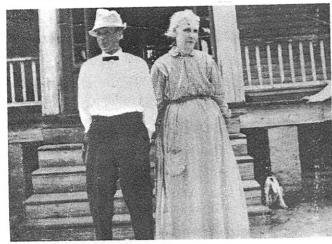
Children of Thomas Franklin and Rebecca Carolina Watt Mann: Franklin Kennedy Mann, Dec. 1, 1875 to Nov. 3, 1918; Thomas Watt Mann, May 20, 1877 to Feb. 19, 1944; Mary James Mann, May 27, 1879 to Sept. 23, 1882; Luther H. Mann, April 20, 1881 to Nov. 8, 1882; Morse Leroy Mann, May 7, 1883 to June 9, 1944; Robert McCain Mann, June 15, 1886 to Feb. 5, 1941; Herbert Porter Mann, June 15, 1886 to Feb. 4, 1954; John Watt Mann, Jan. 20, 1889 to March 4, 1952; Edwin Willingham Mann, March 10, 1893 to March 10, 1893.

Carolina Watt Mann must have had a hard life. She lost two children in 1882, a little son and her only daughter. Then in 1893 she lost her husband and a son. She raised six sons by herself.

V. Herbert Porter Mann was married to Ella Bessie Ballentine (Dec. 4, 1891-July 16, 1979) on Oct. 20, 1915. They had five children: James Herbert Mann, Jan. 26, 1917 to Sept. 14, 1974; Doris Mae Mann (Hobgood), July 1, 1921; Horace Porter Mann, Feb. 28, 1923; William Roland Mann, March 14, 1930; David Harold Mann, Nov. 12, 1932.



Home of Thomas Franklin & Caroline Mann



Caroline W. Mann, Herbert P. Mann



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Thomas F. & Rebecca Caroline Watt Mann



Herbert Porter Mann, Elizabeth Mann (Carnes)



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Arms: Per Fesse, embattled, counter embattled, arg and agure, three goats pass and counter changed, attired or this arms predates both crests and mottoes and there is no record of a Virginia branch using any, however, some branches in England added both, the most common crest was a dragon's head or a demi or half dragon.

Predicator: Burke's Genery Armory; Edmondson's General Body of Heraldry, 1780 Crozier, Va. Heraldica, Bolton's American Armory; William and Mary Quarterly,

April 1894.

Jurisdication: Herald's College of Arms, London, England. Lord Lyon King of Arms, Scotland. Genealogical Office, Dublin Castle Ireland.

### John Mason

John Mason was born ca 1768 in Virginia. His family was connected with George Mason, writer of Bill of Rights and John Young Mason, Secretary of Navy under President Tyler.

In 1786 John Mason, a member of Virginia Methodist Conference, was sent to do Mission Work on Broad River Circuit, an area now encompassing seven counties.

In Fairfield District he bought 400 acres of land and established a home at the crossing of Monticello and Glenn's bridge roads. His church, Bethel, was four miles away on Little River. Due mainly to malaria and mosquitoes, he gave ten acres of land to rebuild the church on its second site. It was spoken of as Mason's Old Bethel and Meeting House. He was buried there in the graveyard after his death on 27 January 1803.

John Mason and his wife, Mary ( ), were parents of ten children:

Benjamin married Cynthia () and lived in Autauga County, Alabama.

Turner married Dorcas Hill and moved to Sumter County, Alabama.

Reuben, Methodist preacher, married Nancy Watson and lived in Winston County, Mississippi. He was left the family Bible in his Mother's Will.

Washington married Rebecca Wyrick. Their children were Adam Whitfield; Catherine, wife of Rev. James Kilgo and mother of Bishop James Carlisle Kilgo, President of Trinity (now Duke University) College; Washington Nicholas married Sara Kate Andrews, daughter of Captain Edward and Martha (Taylor) Andrews, Jr. The oldest of their five childen, Rev. Edward Whitfield Mason, was the grandfather of Ruth M. Stevenson and Sara M. Bolick of this county.

Peter married Jane Frazer and lived in Mississippi and Arkansas.

Sarah Ann married Phillip Pullig. Jane married Thomas Harrison. Susannah married John G. Carlisle, uncle of Dr. James H. Carlisle. They were the parents of a Methodist minister.

Martha married a Johnston.

Elizabeth died young, unmarried.

One descendant was heard to say there had been at least one minister of the Gospel in every generation of Masons. Indeed, research has proven it so!

# **Meng Family**

Bernard Boyd Meng was born in Union County on August 25, 1879, the son of John Wallace and Mary Leonard Johnson Meng. He was educated in the public schools of Union County and completed a course from the International School in steam, electricity, and refrigeration.

He was married on June 6, 1905 to Minnie Lancaster, born September 10, 1879, in Union County, daughter of Christopher C. and Ida Smith Lancaster.

Their children are:

Ethel Wright Meng, born March 3, 1906 in Union, S.C. Died in Winnsboro, S.C. November 24, 1979. Married Donald Wesley Greer of Perris, California. He died on November 17, 1962. One son-Donald Wesley Greer Jr., born May 9, 1940. Married Karen Ragsdale of Blair, S.C.

Bernard Boyd Meng Jr., born June 13, 1908 in Union, S.C. Died in Winnsboro, S.C. on June 21, 1967. Married Era Ann Collins of Metter, Georgia, September 24, 1932. One son, one daughter: Mary Ann Meng, born June 11, 1934. Married Robert Ashley Garwood of Cordele, Georgia August 19, 1953; Bernard Boyd Meng III, born May 21, 1938. Married Beverly Jean Truesdale, of Columbia, S.C. on March 12, 1966.

Cammela Nell Meng, born August 6, 1910 in Union, S.C.; Married Charles Elbert Turner Sr., of Winnsboro, S.C. on December 25, 1933. One son: Charles Elbert Turner Jr., born December 13, 1939. Married Sandra C. Coleman of Winnsboro, S.C. on August 4, 1962.

Herbert Smith (Billy) Meng, born November 23, 1919 in Winnsboro, S.C. Married Margie Gayden Wylie of Winnsboro, S.C. on April 17, 1946. Three daughters: Lillian Gayden Meng, born May 15, 1948, married Weldon Calbert Bonds of Winnsboro, S.C. July 18, 1970; Melinda Meng, born May 9, 1955, married Russell David Brown of Winnsboro, S.C. on November 4, 1978; Martha Wylie Meng, born January 23, 1957, married John Culbreth Robinson Jr., of Monticello, S.C. on August 24, 1975.

Before coming to Winnsboro in 1918, Mr. Meng was Chief Engineer and later Assistant Superintendent of the lights and water plant in Union. He served as Superintendent of the Board of Public Works in Winnsboro until he retired in 1949. He was succeeded by his son B.B. Meng, Jr.

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and Mary Catherine. (2) John Floyd Gay, (3) Mary Ellen

- 5. Betty Lou Plyler (b. 1928), first married to Albert Wallace McKeown (deceased), then to Boyd Ashe-four children: (1) Dorothy Marie McKeown married to Everette Burnette. (2) Albert Wallace McKeown, Jr. married to Gay Griffith, one child, Albert Wallace McKeown, III. (3) Simmy Plyler McKeown, married to Emile Rice, two children, Amy and Simmy P. McKeown, Jr. (4) James Edgar McKeown, married to Suzanne Waldrep, one child, Jason.
- 6. Simeon Harrison Plyler, Jr. (b. 1931), married to Jacqueline Hirst, five children: (1) Simeon H. Plyler, III, married to Lori Ruther. (2) Daniel Edward Plyler. (3) Jay Hirst Plyler. (4) Patrick William Plyler. (5) Paul Downs Plyler.
- 7. Theresa Joan Plyler (b. 1935), married to James Richard Glass, three children: (1) Patti June, married to Tony James Rogers, two children, Tony, Jr. and Martha Theresa. (2) James Richard Glass, Jr., married to Sherrie Lynn McCaskill, one child, James Richard, III. (3) Anna Ruth Glass.
- 8. Alice June Plyler (b. 1935), married to John Preston Glass, two children: (1) John Preston Glass, Jr. (2) George Berry Glass.
- 9. Marshall Wayne Plyler (b. 1940-d. 1982), married first Kaye Waddell, then to Irene Daniels Robinson-three children: (1) Deborah Dawnne Robinson. (2) Bonnie Melissa Robinson. (3) Samuel Ross Robinson.

Marshall was the only one the Simeon's and Naomi's children to be born in Winnsboro.

Alice and Theresa were twins and married brothers.

Lois, George, Mildred, and Alice still reside in Winnsboro.



Simeon and Naomi Plyler



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#### **Powell Place**

The building of this home in lower Fairfield was begun circa 1837, by Aaron and Francis Walker Powell. After his death in 1845, she continued work upon it but was never able to complete the inside. The ceiling of two bedrooms and the upper hall were done by later generations. The original inside and outside were done in heart pine. The sills and heavy timbers were hand hewn and mortised as was the custom of the day. The original heart pine flooring in the main twostory section remains to this day, with the exception of the main center hall which was replaced in the 1950s.

The extended columns and the granite exterior were added in the early 1950s. This home with surrounding acreage has been continuosly inhabited by Powell families since circa 1838, and presently by the children of the late Warren Floyd and Marie B. Powell. Much progeny has descended from this old house and into many walks of life and into many sections of the country, all with the admonition to never defame the name nor deface the work of the builders.

## **Powell Family**

The family name Powell is Welsh in origin, having originally been Ap Howell, and somewhere down the line it was broken into two other branches, Powell and Howell. It is of the Powell branch of Fairfield County, State of South Carolina that these records are given for the benefit of those of the family living in A.D. 1982 and those who are to follow.

It is not known from what area of England the three Powell brothers came (two who remained here and one who returned to England) and it is not known to where they first came in America. The first known record of Powell in this area is that of John and William Powell on the Broad River, and Caleb Powell on Little Cedar Creek in the years 1740-1765.

It is of Caleb Powell, Sr. and his wife Dorcas, that this record is given. It is not known if he was one of the original three brothers-more than likely not, and if not, certainly a descendant.

Their children were: sons, Caleb, Jr., John, Jacob, and Aaron; daughters, Rebecca P. Stanton, Dorcas Tabitha, wife of Charles Broom, Jane P. Mitchell, and Mary, wife

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Especially is this a record of their son Aaron, who was born in 1791 and died in 1845. He married Frances Walker in 1819 (b. 1799 d. 1872), (her father was Henry Walker, her mother was Mary Hendrix Walker).

Their children were: Mary Ann Powell 1820-1820; and Henry Walker Powell 1821-1865. Henry married Eliza Jane Gladden. He attended Furman Institution when it was located near Winnsboro and was one of the first school teachers in S.C. Dr. John W. Powell, 1823-1878; married Lucy Elizabeth Blanding and prior to 1861 was a surgeon in Columbia, S.C. After the war he moved to Hernando, Miss. where he died of Yellow Fever.

Frances Tabitha Powell 1825-1851; married Daniel W. Gladden.

Jemima Rebecca Powell 1829-1888; married Samuel Beard.

Nancy Powell 1832-1902 (No record).

Harriet Caroline Powell 1835-1914, Spinster.

Susanna Adelaide Powell 1837-1872; married Chappell O. Trapp.

Cynthia Victoria Powell 1840-1910; married Laban H. Trapp.

Aaron Edgar Powell 1842-1885; married Emma Louise Jackson of Winnsboro, whose parents were Samuel and Lucinda Jackson. Lucinda Jackson's parents were William and Nancy Agnes Austin McCreight.

Lucy Ellen Blanding Powell 1845-1923; married Capt. William George Hinnant.

Children of Aaron Edgar and Emma Louise 1849-1926 Jackson Powell; Lula Estelle Powell 1869-1909; married John C. Chappell. Henry Ellwood Powell 1871-1926; married Daisy McNinch. Frances Adelaide Powell 1872-1946; married George Yarborough Langford. Emma Louise Powell 1874-1875. Alva Edgar Powell 1876-1901; married Bertha Ligon. Warren Floyd Powell 1878-1929; married Marie Lenora Broom. Bessie Inez Powell 1879-1937; Spinster. Samuel Edward Powell 1881-1947; married Katie S. McNinch, and Emma Leslie Powell 1883-1960; married John J. Tuten.

Children of Warren Floyd and Marie Lenora Broom Powell 1891-1973, whose father was Dargan Strother Broom and whose mother was Lenora Wooten Broom: Warren Clyde Powell (1911-) married 1st Gertrude Harrell, one daughter-Lyda Mary. Children: Warren Clyde Powell, Jr., married 2nd, Mary Ellen Burton, Ellen Kay Powell, Charles Michael Powell, Laura Susanne Powell, Roy O'Dell Powell 1912-1918, Floyd Reid Powell 1914-1930, Lewis Strother Powell 1916-married Marilla Rosemond, one daughter-Vivian Lyn Powell, Palmer Edward Powell 1919-married Lillian Grey Drummond. Children: Palmer Edward Powell, Jr., Richard Justin Powell. Ruth Powell 1921-married John Smythe Rich, Jr. Children: Dianne Marie Rich, John Smythe Rich III, Robin Gail Rich. Grace Powell 1923-married Herman 'loyd Hunt. Warren Floyd Powell 1925-married Ruth Saville Cathcart. Children: Warren Floyd Powell III, Don Cathcart Powell, Thomas Glen Powell, Kenneth Alan Powell. Frank Powell 1927-married LaVonne Smith. One daughter-Candice Leigh Powell.

#### Caleb Powell

Caleb Powell Jr., was the son of Caleb Powell Sr. and Dorcas (see article on Caleb Powell Sr.). He owned 258 acres in 1822. From the 1850 census, we know Caleb Jr. was born 1795, married Sarah who was born 1810, and had three children: Thomas (born 1831) Louisa (born 1833), and Amelia (born 1836).

Thomas Lewis Powell (born 1831) married Margaret E. Swats (born 1848). They died after 1880 and are buried across from Greenbrier Meth. Cem. They had about 11 children: Edward George (born 1868), Tom Lewis Jr. (born 1870), Sally V. (born 1872), married G.H. Steadman), John S. (born 1873), Samuel A. (born 1874), Margaret A. (born 1879), Mary, Harry, Dick L. (who married Lola Brockington), Fannie (who married an Erwin & lives in Charlotte), and Annie (who married C.L. Newman).

Edward George Powell (born 1868) married Sallie Pat Melton (the daughter of Levi Henry Melton and Margaret Cooper). They had 12 children: Ed, Lonnie, Louise (who married Lonnie Mann), Feriba (who married a Demitchi), Durward, Belton, Vermelle (who married Charles Stewart), Erwin, Mary (who married Willie Franklin Mann), Lewis, Lila (who married Clifton Nelson), and Levi.

Louise Powell and Lonnie Mann had two children: Charles and Marion (who married Rufus Castles Jr.).

> Submitted by: James W. Green III

# **Ramsey Family**

John Ramsey came to Fairfield County from County Antrim, Ireland. He met and married Nancy Sarah Letitia Weldon (born March 24, 1857) from the White Oak community. They were farmers in the Jackson Creek, Lebanon Community. They had three children: Eliza, born April 30, 1885; John Weldon born May 10, 1887; and Robert Andrew born Sept. 29, 1890.

Eliza became a school teacher and married and lived in Bethune. John W. married Martha Phillips. They had seven children: Jean, James B. (Pat), Mary E. (Peggy), Robert, Louise, Elizabeth and John Jr. (Jack). John W. was a policeman in Winnsboro until his death. His children still live in Winnsboro. Jean worked at Uniroyal, Pat works with the S.C. Highway. Robert is a carpenter. Louise works at Uniroyal, as did Peggy. Jack works with the Foresty Commission. They are member of Lebanon

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