

work clarified the Tidwell family history in Virginia and showed the main lines of development as the Tidwells migrated to South Carolina and thence to Georgia, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas and Texas.

A more recent manuscript of William A. Tidwell entitled Fresley Tidwell and the Anti-Carter Faction in the Northern Neck, plus some maps, gave added information of the history of the Tidwells in Virginia.

Most of what I shall relate about the early family history is based largely upon these well-researched works by William A. Tidwell. In correspondence with him, he graciously granted me permission to use his information and I cannot be too expressive of my appreciation for this kindness.

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