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## Research Turns Up Two New Documents

by Linda Allred Cooper

*Linda, Jack, Thomas C. Settle, Jesse*

Continued Allred research by our dedicated group has turned up two new documents - and more clues about our ancestors. I want to stress that we do not know for sure that the John Allred and family described in these documents is "our" family - but the time period, description and geographic position all match what we already know about John Allred and his family. Further research is needed to confirm that these documents are describing our ancestors.

From earlier research we know a man named Solomon Allred received a land grant in central North Carolina in 1752. Clues lead us to believe this same Solomon Allred was living in Chester County, Pennsylvania, per the 1724 and 1730 tax lists. Further clues lead us back to Manchester, England, in 1695 when Solomon Allred was 16 years old and living with his father, step-mother and two older brothers, Arron/Owen (spelled both ways) and Theophilus. Solomon's father, John Allred, wrote a letter in 1695 asking his first wife's cousin, Phineas Pemberton, to help him bring his family to America. John states in that letter that he does not have the funds to bring his family to America and needs financial help.

### **Recent Document Finds**

Now we find these two documents: 1699 Settlement of John Allred and 1686 Petition for Relief for John Allred. Both were filed in Lancashire - the same county where all clues point us toward. Eccles Parish where the Baptismal Records are found, Pendleton Poole where some records say the Allred family lived, Bolton where the Pemberton family lived, and Manchester where John and family were per the 1695 letter were all located in County Lancashire, England.

### **1686 Petition**

The 1686 Petition for Relief tells us John Allred is asking for help to feed and house his family. He is married, his wife is pregnant and he has four small children. He was unable to pay his rent so his landlord "put my house down over my head." He no longer has a job or a home and his family is starving. From Baptismal Records, we learn John Allred and wife, Ellen Pemberton Allred, had at least 10 children: JOHN born 1 Nov 1660; 2. MARY born 9 Aug 1661; 3. WILLIAM baptized 3 Feb 1664/65; 4. ALICE b.c. 1668; 5. OWEN b.c. 1670; 6. PHINEAS, baptized 7 Nov 1672; 7. ENOCH baptized 16 Jun 1675; 8. THEOPHILUS baptized 4 Oct 1677; 9. ELLIN baptized 15 Jun 1679; and 10. SOLOMON baptized 12 Nov 1680.

### **Family of John Allred**

Ellen died in 1684 per Quaker records (East Hardshaw Monthly Meeting, Manchester, England). Per the 1695 letter, John had married again. All of these clues correspond to the 1686 Petition description of John and family. Per the Petition, John has a wife (who was pregnant) and 4 "littal children. In 1686 John's youngest children would have been the following ages: Solomon 6 years old, Ellin 7 years old, Theophilus 9 years old and Enoch 11 years old.

Try to imagine what John was feeling. His first wife, the mother of his children, had died. He remarried and his new wife was pregnant. He has four small children to feed. He lost his job and can't pay his rent—so his landlord throws them out. They have no home. No food. They are begging for help.

Although the 1695 letter tells us John was asking his wife's cousin, Phineas Pemberton, for money so he could bring his family to America, no records have been found showing Phineas sent any money or offered to

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help. Although Phineas was very well connected in Pennsylvania and the newly established Quaker colony, he was not an overly wealthy man. Paying for a man, his wife and at least three sons to board a ship and sail to America may have been more than he could have afforded. And, what would he have done with this family once they arrived in America. If he paid to bring them to America, he would have been responsible for them. All clues so far lead us to believe John remained in England. The following document seems to back up that theory.

## 1699 Settlement

The 1699 Settlement of John Allred tells that John Allred, his wife and family have just arrived in the township of Over Hulton and the Overseers of the Poor have realized that this impoverished family will become a financial burden on their coffers. The Overseers are petitioning for permission to "Settle" John and his family back to Middle Hulton where they had just come from. In other words, let the folks of Middle Hulton take care of them and pay for their needs. Although the Overseers of the Poor were supposed to be tending to the needs of the poor, more times than not they preferred to keep the money and resources for themselves. If it was possible to "Settle" the poor somewhere else, it was done, and done quickly.

These two documents are valuable to our search for more genealogical information about our Allred family. They tell us John and his family were truly impoverished. Their lifestyle was incredibly hard. They lost their home. John was unable to hold down a job to support his family, in part because he had to move them from place to place to find housing and food. Yet, they stayed together.

## Family Belief Strong

This is a true testimony to John's belief in family. He could have easily left a child or two or maybe all of them, behind on doorsteps as he traveled. He could have given the children away, or just abandoned them. Yet, through it all, he kept the family together and somehow managed to keep them alive even though they had no home - no food - and they were shuttled from place to place as the

Overseers of the Poor worked to get rid of them and the cost of caring for them.

The following is from an Oxford University Web site and sums up what a Settlement was.

## What Was a Settlement?

"In 1662, another highly significant piece of legislation An Act for the better Relief of the Poor of this Kingdom (13&14 Car. II c.12) – otherwise known as the Settlement Act - was passed. In fact, the principle behind this Act was not really new and had its origins in the 1388 Statute of Cambridge. The new Settlement Act allowed for the removal from a parish, back to their place of settlement, of newcomers whom local justices deemed "likely to be chargeable" to the parish poor rates.

A child's settlement at birth was taken to be the same as that of its father. At marriage, a woman took on the same settlement as her husband. Illegitimate children were granted settlement in the place they were born - this often led parish overseers to try and get rid of an unmarried pregnant woman before the child was born, for example by her transporting to another parish just before the birth, or by paying a man from another parish to marry her.

Settlement could be acquired in various ways, for example by renting a property for at least £10 a year, but this was well beyond the means of an average labourer. If a boy became apprenticed, which could happen from the age of seven, his parish of settlement became the place of his apprenticeship. Another means of qualifying for settlement in a new parish was by being in continuous employment for at least a year. To prevent this, hirings were often for a period of 364 days rather than a full year.

Conversely, labourers might quit their jobs before a year was up in order to avoid being effectively trapped in a disagreeable parish."

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## Byron Harvey Allred, Jr., Diary Correction

In the typed copies of the diary of Byron Harvey Allred, Jr., which are in circulation, the entry for May 24, 1931, reads: "I wrote to Evelyn, Harold and Otho. Went to Idaho City but got no mail."

Inadvertently, during the process of typing, some punctuation was misplaced. The handwritten original reads: "I wrote to Evelyn. Harold and Otho went to Idaho City but got no mail." This clarifies the question of why B. Harvey would write to Harold and Otho, who were with him at the mine at the time.

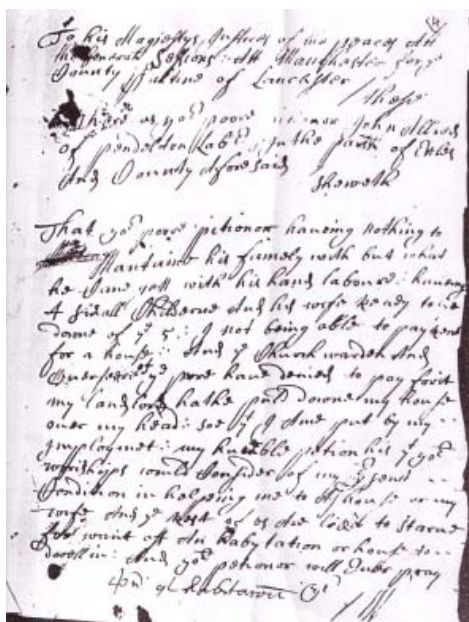
*Donna Mackert  
Herriman, Utah*

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# The John Allred Petitions



To his Magistrates Justices of his Poor of All the forswit Sessions: All Manchester for said county \_\_\_\_ of Lancashire

Those

Showd as your poore petitioner John Allred of Pendolton \_\_\_\_ and in the parish if Eccles and County aforesaid

Showeth

That ye said poore petitioner having nothing to maintain his family with but what he can gett with his hand labour, having 4 litall children and his wife ready to be down of ye said 5, I not being able to pay kone (coin) for a house, and ye said Church warden and Overseer of ye said poore have denied to pay for it my landlord hath put down my house over my head, so ye am put by my employment, my humble petition his ye said good worships would thou \_\_\_\_ of my \_\_\_\_ condition in helping me to a house for my wife and ye said kost of us And liked to starve for want of an habytation of house to dwell in and ye said petitioner will ever pray \_\_\_\_ habitation.

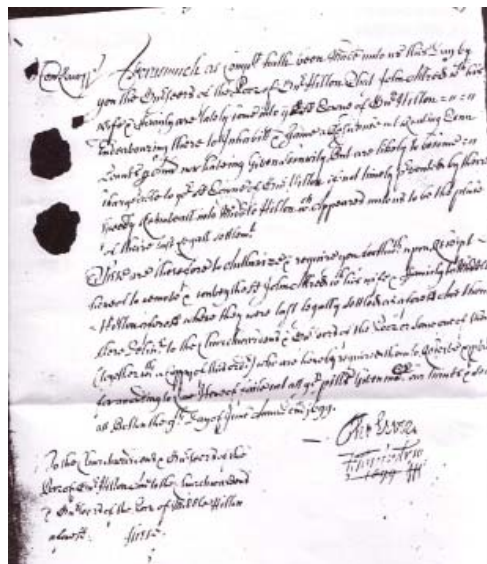
LANCASHIRE COUNTY QUARTER SESSIONS, Catalogue Ref. Q, Lancashire Quarter Sessions, PETITIONS, Manchester, Michaelmas, 1686. - ref. QSP/626

FILE - Pendleton — relief for John Allred. - ref. QSP/626/4 - date: c1686

Transcription by Linda Allred Cooper

Inasmuch as Compst [compensation] hath been made unto us this day by you the overseers of the Poor of Over Hilton that John Allred with his wife & family are lately come unto the aforesd towne of Over Hilton = = Endeavoring there to Inhabitt & Gaine [] renting Tenn Pounds [] nor [] given severly But are likely to become enchargeable to the sd Towne of Ovr Hiltin if not timely presented by their speedy removeall into Middle Hilton which Appeares unto us to be the place of their last Legall settlemt. These are therefore to Authorize & require you forthwith upon Receipt thereof to remove & convey the sd John Allrd with his wife & family to Middle=Hilton aforesd where they were last legally settled as aforesd And them there John A. to the Church Wardens & Overseers of the Poor or some one of them Altogether with a Copy of this ord.r who are hereby required them to Receive & Abide for according to Law hereof . . . all the bills Given under our hands & seals att Bolton the 9th Daye of June Anno Dom 1699  
Thomas Sever  
To the Churchwardens & Overseers of the Poor of Over Hilton And to the churchwardens & Overseers of the Poor of Middle Hilton aforesd ...

Transcription by Dawnell Griffin



# Rocky Mountain Allred Reunion

Those attending the Rocky Mountain Allred Reunion in Spring City, Utah, June 24, had the opportunity to learn and view some of the new information discovered since the last issue of the AFO Newsletter (No. 67).

Linda Allred Cooper had both a display and spoke about the two John Allred documents recently discovered in England. See pages 1-3 of this issue.

She also gave an update on the Allred DNA Project.

Alice Allred Pottmyer had a 16-page handout about William Allred and his North Carolina Militia Unit that served during the American Revolution. Even though William died in Tennessee about 1824, two of his children and many grandchildren did travel to the Rocky Mountains. William and his wife, Elizabeth Thrasher Allred, can be considered the grandparents of the Rocky Mountain Allreds.

The papers of Captain John Hinds of the North Carolina unit contained a roster with four Allred men, William, his older brother, James, his younger brother, Elias, and their cousin, John Allred. The papers were located in May in a library in Knoxville, Tennessee.

More information on Allred participation in the American Revolution will be presented at the Allred reunion in Randolph County, North Carolina, September 7-9. Also, AFO Newsletter, Issue No. 69, will contain more of the latest findings.

Norma Allred, RMA President for 2005-2006, conducted the reunion business meeting. She introduced Linda Isom who played a violin more than 200 years old that has been in possession of her family for many many years. It was played by two different Isaac Allreds. Isaac Allred was the son of William Allred, the Revolutionary War Militiaman, and also by his nephew, Isaac Allred, son of James and Elizabeth Warren Allred. She descends from the later Isaac Allred.

She described the history of the Italian violin. She also told of the people that had heard the violin played



*Linda Isom, Las Vegas, Nevada, a descendant of Isaac Allred, played the historic violin played by both Isaac Allred, son of James Allred, and also played by Isaac Allred his uncle and younger brother of James.*

over the years. She played at the Spring City Reunion in 1991 (See AFO No. 8) for more history on the violin. The reunion audience was pleased to have her return with the historic violin.

Julianne “Dusty” Smith, Salt Lake City, was elected president of the Rocky Mountain Allreds for 2006-2007.

More than 450 Allreds are buried in the two Spring City cemeteries. During the reunion morning, attendees had the opportunity to visit the Pioneer Cemetery and also the Spring City Cemetery. Larry C. Allred was in the Pioneer Cemetery in town. He descends from Isaac Allred buried there. He pointed out the graves of Isaac, his son, James Riley Allred, and the many children buried there. After the Indians problems were over in the area, the Spring City Cemetery was built outside the town. Alice Allred Pottmyer, a descendant of James and Elizabeth Warren Allred, pointed out their graves and those of three of their children buried near their parents: William Hackley Allred, James Tillman Sanford Allred and Reuben Warren Allred.

## North Carolina Allreds Travelled the Longest Distance to Attend the Rocky Mountain Reunion

Four members of the East Coast Allred Family Association from Randolph County, NC, traveled to Spring City, Utah, to attend the Allred Reunion in June. Of course, all of these ECAFA members are also members of the AFO. Eddie Clay Allred is AFO President and Linda Allred Cooper is AFO Executive Vice President.

It is hard to say what part of the trip was enjoyed the most. Seeing cousins and good friends again. Listening to Linda Isom play Isaac Allred’s violin, the same song that Isaac had played for Joseph Smith in Nauvoo so many years ago. Sightseeing at Bingham Copper Mine and Thanksgiving Pointe (excellent Dinosaur museum) or riding along Skyline Drive in the high Rocky Mountains where snow still lies on the mountain tops. But, I think all agreed our visit with “Miss Elsie” (Mrs. Owen Allred) was our favorite. We love you Miss Elsie!



*On the overlook platform looking down 3/4 of a mile in the earth at the Bingham Copper Mine, from left: Franklin Allred, Linda Allred Cooper, Sara Allred, and Eddie Clay Allred.*

# Randolph County North Carolina, Reunion

Grays Chapel School

Old Liberty Road and Hwy 22

Randolph County, North Carolina

September 7-9, 2006

Those of you who did not attend the Allred Reunion in Spring City, Utah (June 23-24) really missed a fantastic presentation given by Alice Allred Pottmyer

The 16-page handout that went along with it was a huge hit too! Alice explained new documented evidence that proves several of our ancestors participated in the American Revolution - which battles - where everything took place - lots of details.

However, you haven't missed your chance to learn about these ancestors and their Revolutionary War experiences. The Allred Reunion in Randolph County, North Carolina, will be held September 7 - 9, 2006. The theme is the American Revolution!

During this reunion, we will not only learn about our ancestors' Patriotic and Tory participation in the War - but we will visit the actual battlefields and learn where each ancestor was - what they experienced. Who shot at Who? How did their participation help the Patriots win and help form the brand new country?

No matter which ancestor you descend from - we now have information and documentation on all branches of the family. William, John, Solomon and Thomas - themselves and their sons and sons-in-law. Who did what? How did they participate? Which side were they on? How do we know? What sort of documentation has been found?

**Thursday, September 7**, we will visit the old Trading Ford on the Yadkin River, Kings Mountain Battlefield and Cowpens Battlefield. While riding on the bus we will watch videos that bring the battles to life so that you will better understand what really happened. At each stop we will explain which ancestors participated in each battle. We will also visit historic Salisbury where British and American soldiers are buried.

**Friday, September 8**, we will visit Guilford Court House Battlefield - the battle that the British won - but eventually caused them to lose the War.

Both days will feel like we have traveled back in time. You will stand on the actual battlefields. This is a wonderful way to honor our ancestors' participation in the American Revolution!

## Send Reunion Information

Please send information about any 2006 Allred Reunions to Alice Allred Pottmyer. Contact information is on pages 2 and 19. Reunion information will be printed in the newsletter and posted on the AFO Web site.



*Entrance to Cowpens National Battlefield in South Carolina. This American Revolutionary War Battlefield is on the Reunion Tour on September 7, 2006.*

**Saturday, September 9**, is the Main Reunion Day. All activities will take place at Grays Chapel School. The genealogy presentation will be about our Tory ancestors. Who was he? Was there just one - or many? Why did they chose the British side and fight against their own families and neighbors? What happened to him/them.

Come join us for this special Reunion. These activities will not be repeated next year. This is a once in a life time presentation so don't miss it.

There is a \$65 per person charge for Thursday and Friday's activities to cover the rental of the bus. Reservations and pre-payment are required. **Deadline for reserving your seat(s) is August 15, 2006.** Limited seating - first come first serve basis. Don't wait until the bus is full - make your reservations now!

For more information, visit [www.allredfamily.com](http://www.allredfamily.com) and click on "Reunions" or contact Alice Allred Pottmyer or Linda Allred Cooper. Their contact information is on page 19.

Checks for \$65 should be made to the East Coast Allreds or ECAFA and mailed to the East Coast Allreds at PO Box 2406 Asheboro, NC 27204-2406. Checks must be received by August 15, 2006.

# Allred Family Members Served in Vietnam

## Eddie Clay Allred

SSgt, USAF

06/08/1964 – 06/10/1968

I received my draft notice for the Army and joined the Air Force the same day. I wanted to be an aircraft mechanic and upon my return I could work at the Greensboro Airport in North Carolina. During the last week of basic training in San Antonio, Texas, the training instructor called me in along with three other airmen to tell us they needed us to become weapon mechanics because of many engagements all over the world. We were not given any choice and assignment changes took place that day.

I attended Armament Systems/Weapon Loading School in Denver, Colorado, for 16 weeks. My first assignment was Myrtle Beach AFB, South Carolina. I only stayed on the base about two weeks at a time because of TDY to many other bases located in Italy, Spain and Turkey

where we rotated every three months. I remember one occasion in Turkey where one of our pilots strayed off course into Russia and was captured. My load crew loaded a plane and I slept under the wing of the aircraft for a week ready to pull the safety pin at a moments notice. The pilot was released a few days later.

Being a weapons mechanic in a TAC Fighter Squadron, we were constantly on the move. We had to be able to deploy world wide within a one-hour notice. Azores, Portugal, Ireland, Iceland, Midway Island, Guam and many bases in the United States. They flew us to Indonesia for the Indonesian Crisis, which ended a few hours after landing. We then, turned around flew back to Myrtle Beach with a total of 52 flying hours. During the Dominion Republic Crisis, I was stationed in Puerto Rico flying missiles. I became a certified Load Crew Chief to load weapons including nuclear on the F100, F101, F102, F103, F104 Phantom, F105,

F106 Fighters and the A3 Navy Fighter. I served at Phan Rang AB, South Vietnam 1966/67 for over a year. I received the Air Force Commendation Metal for meritorious service as a Weapons Loading Crew Chief for F-100/F fighter aircraft from the 352<sup>nd</sup> Tactical Fighter Squadron at Phan Rang AB.

My last assignment was Charleston AFB, Charleston, South Carolina, where I was over the training of Weapon Load Teams. During this time period we flew on C124, C154 and C130 Cargo aircraft to all these locations with all our equipment aboard. During my first two and half years of service my strips had zippers on them due to loosing them every time I got into trouble. Colonel Newell convinced me one day I should straighten up or he was going to court marshal me; and I did. I ended my military career with the rank of SSgt. I have many great memories of my travels but I also have memories I will not talk about.



**Morrel Ivie**

Vietnam Veteran Morrel W. Ivie is buried in the Scpio, Utah, Cemetery.

*Morrel, James DeLial, James Ammon, Benjamin Martin, James Russell, Sarah, William, Thomas*

## Larry Cooke Allred

I was drafted into the Army and went into service on 9 March 1965. I went to Fort Polk, Louisiana, for Basic Training. I was sent to Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, for advanced training, but only after spending all of that time in an office building in St. Louis, Missouri. I have never figured out what they sent a diesel mechanic there?



*Larry C. Allred in the motor pool area while on duty in Vietnam.*

From Fort Leonard Wood, I took two weeks leave to go home and get married. Our plans were to go back to Fort Leonard Wood and get into Base housing and hopefully survive the draft and the military service.

The day after our wedding, my father handed me a telegram from Fort Leonard Wood, instructing me to report back as soon as possible to clear Base as I was on Orders for Vietnam. Needless to say, we were both quite shook up over it, even to the point where it caused us some troubles between us. We were able to overcome those troubles, we drove back to Ft. Leonard Wood, I cleared Base and we drove back to Salt Lake City. We found an apartment in Farmington, Utah, a block or two from Linda's brother. The Army was kind enough to me to give me from about October 15th to the 7th of November leave, before I had to report to Oakland Army Base for Transport to Vietnam.

Needless to say I was very concerned about having to go over

there and kill people. Right or wrong, I did not want to have to do that. Fortunately for me, I did not have to. In fact, I fired a weapon only twice while over there, once at our semi-annual range fire, which was a requirement for any Army personnel, to maintain weapons proficiency. We carried a weapon with us where ever we went, and with live ammo. The second time I fired a weapon was while we were at the beach at Phan Rang Harbor, with some Air Force friends. They were provided the new M-16 rifle, where we had the older but good M-14 rifle. One of them allowed me to take a couple shots with his M-16, into the ocean.

I served thirteen months at Phan Rang, Vietnam, in a Combat Engineer Battalion. We built the Air Force Base at Phan Rang. The Runways, Taxi Ways, and Parking Aprons, the Roads and the Pipeline from the Harbor to the Base, the Tank Farm and all of the piping to the Flight Line. We built the initial living quarters for the Air Force personnel and also the living area for the 101st Air Borne personnel.

I left Phan Rang, to go home on December 6, 1966. In February 1967 my unit packed up and started convoying down country to Ton Son Nut, near Saigon. Along the way, they were ripped to shreds by the Viet Cong and NVA. There were four personnel in Delta Company, my company alone who had been there when I arrived on the 7th of November 1965, for a year already, and when I left they were being prevented from going home because of some venereal diseases they received.

I have two other brothers who served in Vietnam. Carl Owen Allred, and our adopted brother Harold Reid. He joined the Marines and went to Vietnam in April 1967. In September, he was reported Missing in Action. His remains were finally identified March 27, 1999. He was buried in Taylorsville, Utah, April 3, 1999, with full military honors.

*More information about Allreds that served in Vietnam will be printed in the next issue.*

## Four Allreds on Vietnam Memorial in Washington, DC

Four Allred men paid the ultimate sacrifice in Vietnam. Their names are on the Memorial Wall in Wsshington, DC. They are:

### **Frank LeRoy Allred, Jr.**

HN NA 24 April 1949  
2 May 1968  
Fresno, CA  
53E, L44

### **James Herbert Allred**

MAJ AR 26 Sept 1925  
14 Dec 1963  
Twin Falls, ID  
1E, L38

### **Orin Larry Allred**

CPL AR 3 Apr 1946  
11 Nov 1965  
Casa Grande, AZ  
3E, L41

### **Rex Charles Allred**

SP4 AR 10 Nov 49  
13 May 69  
Ventura, CA  
25W, L92

*Note: The bottom line of each listing refers to their location on the wall. The two sides are East and West. The Line their name is listed on is indicated.*

# Good Bye to the Allred Family Roster

by Linda Allred Cooper

AFO Executive Vice President

You may have noticed the Allred Family Roster has disappeared. It is no longer available to the public.

After 18 years of very dedicated work - all voluntary - Don is tired. Carpel Tunnel is keeping him from the endless hours of computer input required to update and maintain the Roster Web site. A few months ago Don posted a notice that he needed a rest and would not be taking any new submissions for the Roster until further notice. This was so that he could rest his wrist. The Carpel Tunnel had become very painful.

The AFO Board began discussions about the future of the Allred Family Roster - beginning with the AFO Budget.

We average 420 paying AFO members which means our annual budget is around:  
420 X \$20 per year dues = \$8400.00  
\$3600.00 per year is spent on the Roster (all Web site related expenses.

Don's time is completely voluntary - he does not receive any compensation)  
\$400 is spent on the AFO Web site  
\$3,000 is spent on the Newsletter (printing costs)  
\$800 is spent on postage for the newsletter and mailing out dues reminders and new member packets

As you know, the AFO has been asking for donations and working hard to raise money to pay for research costs. Researchers have traveled to Salt Lake City to the Family History Center.

Researchers have traveled to Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia and other places looking for more clues about our family. A research trip is planned for Spring 2007 to travel to England. All of this costs money. After a lengthy discussion, the AFO Board of Directors voted to discontinue funding of the Roster. As a "fixed database" - one that is no longer updated - the Roster became just too expensive to continue paying for. The \$3600 per year that was being spent on the Roster could be spent on research.

It was a very hard decision! However, the AFO Board believes it was the right decision. Don agreed - and admitted to a sigh of relief. He felt bad about not being able to keep the Roster updated and maintained as he had in the past. His time is limited - and his wrist hurts. No longer having to worry about the Roster was a welcome relief. So, the Roster is gone.

But, not gone forever! Don has the entire web site backed up. If, in the future, the AFO can afford to put the Roster back on the internet, Don can easily do so. In the meantime, some of you have asked if the Roster is available on CD or some other format. The answer is No.

We ask that you respect Don's decision to not make copies for sale. Please do not contact him asking for special treatment or to try to change his mind. Let's give him the much needed break that he deserves - to let his wrist heal and to spend time with his family.

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## Letters to the Editor

My name is Earlene Allred Smart. I worked with Dawnell Griffin on the early Allred research, Dawnell's grandmother and my grandfather are brother and sister. Linda, I want to congratulate you, Dawnell, Michael and the others on the great research that is being done. I am excited at how thorough you all are. It is exciting to me!

*Earlene Allred Smart  
Bountiful, Utah*

Warm wishes and thanks are to all of you serving in our great Allred Family Organization. A special hello to my dear cousins in North Carolina. They shared with me their knowledge of our family in "Allred Country." Memories of that visit are remembered often. Hopefully all Allred cousins can have that wonderful experience. Thank you to Alice for the newsletter. We all wait with anticipation for each issue. Linda, A thank you too for letting my family be part of the DNA project.

*Kaye Allred Nielson  
Cedar City, Utah*



## Two Allred Names on Independence Rock in Wyoming

A newly published book, *Historic Inscriptions on Western Emigrant Trails*, indicates that two Allred men inscribed their names and other information on Independence Rock in Southwestern Wyoming.

Reuben Warren Allred, etched the following into the southeast side of the Rock in 1849:

**RW Allred A Taylor Co., Sept 10, 49.**

Reuben Warren Allred was a son of James and Elizabeth Allred. He was born in Bedford County, Tennessee, in 1815.

In 1851, his father, James Allred, etched his name on the Rock. His inscription is on the south side of the Rock and is under the name of L. H. Richardson.

James was born in 1784 in Randolph County, North Carolina. He traveled West in 1851 with his wife, Elizabeth Warren. In March of 1852, he founded Spring City, Utah.

The Allred Family Organization Newsletter is interested in obtaining clear photographs of these two inscriptions.

If you are planning to visit that area and have an interest in photographing these inscriptions, please contact Alice Allred Pottmyer for further details at 703/536/2398 or PottmyerA@aol.com.

Independence Rock was called “The Register of the Desert” for the pioneers following the Oregon/California/Mormon Trails. Later the Pony Express Trail went by the Rock.

It was named Independence Rock because if the pioneers arrived at Independence Rock by July 4, they could reach Oregon, California or Utah before the heavy snows and thus avoid the fate of the Donner Party.

Independence Rock is on Hwy. 220, 48 miles southwest from Casper, Wyoming. Devil’s Gate and Martin’s Cove are about five miles away. The north side of the Rock is today a Wyoming state rest stop. There is adequate parking and water available. There are interpretative signs about the Rock as well as area wildlife.

Gates permit people to walk around the Rock and see the names etched along the south side.

The book, *Historic Inscriptions on Western Emigrant Trails*, is authored by Randy Brown. It was published by the Oregon California Trails Association, Independence, Missouri.

No other Allred names were listed. Also, there were no Ivie or Sanders names listed. Descendants of both Sarah Allred Ivie and Mary Allred Sanders also travelled West.



Three sisters (l-r), Frieda Allred Hirst, Orem, Utah, Josephine Allred Prinster, Bountiful, Utah, and Afton Allred Worley, Grand Junction Colorado, gathered at a reunion hosted by their children and nieces and nephews in June in Highland, Utah. They were presented with framed photographs of their parents, Birten and Sarah Anna Johnson Allred, of Moab, Utah. All three sisters are members of the Allred Family Organization.

# An Allred Time Line: 1580 – 1762

A compilation of research collected and organized

by Linda Allred Cooper

Updated July 2006

## CLARIFICATION

I want to clarify the fact that I did not do all this research by myself! I will claim credit for some of it – but the rest was simply gathered and organized after being sent to me by others. This was done so I could step back and see what information I had collected – what was documented and what was not.

As you read through the Time Line, please note all the citations which give credit to the researcher or researchers who actually uncovered the information / documentation. Whenever possible, copies of the documentation are included. Get out your magnifying glass.

As more research and information is found and documented, it will be added to this new “data base” in hopes of being more organized – and to keep from duplicating the work of others.

You’ll find this Time Line seems to tell a story. Keep in mind that all family relationships have not been proved completely! For example, yes, a man named Solomon Allred was born in 1680 in Eccles Parish, Lancashire, England. Yes, a man named Solomon Allred shows up on tax lists in Chester County, Pennsylvania, in the 1720s. And yes, a man named Solomon Allred shows up in land records in North Carolina in 1752. But, is this the same man – or just a coincidence? This is an example of the questions we continue to seek answers to.

## Time Line

**1580**–William Pemberton was born.

(Date estimated by marriage date [1602] and age of oldest child; the report *Allred/Smith/Pemberton Connections* by Dawnell Griffin.)

**1591**–Thomas Smith was born.

(Eccles Parish minutes of the vestry meetings; the report *Allred/Smith/Pemberton Connections* by Dawnell Griffin.)

**Dec 10, 1602**–William Pemberton married Ann (last name unknown).

(the report *Allred/Smith/Pemberton Connections* by Dawnell Griffin.)

**Jan 3, 1610**–Ralph Pemberton was born in Aspull, Wigan Parish, Lancashire, England. He was the son of William and Ann Pemberton.

(the report *Allred/Smith/Pemberton Connections* by Dawnell Griffin.)

**Feb 23, 1611**–Thomas Smith married Ann Smith. They were the parents of at least eight identified children. Per records some of these children died young. **Margaret**, Ellen, Alice, and John lived to adulthood.

(Eccles Parish Baptismal / Marriage / Death records; the report *Allred/Smith/Pemberton Connections* by Dawnell Griffin.)

**Jan 18, 1638**–Ann Smith dies.

(Eccles Parish Baptismal / Marriage / Death records; the report *Allred/Smith/Pemberton Connections* by Dawnell Griffin.)

**March 25, 163** –Margaret Smith, daughter of Thomas and Ann Smith, gave birth to an illegitimate daughter named Ellen. Per Eccles Parish BMD records, the father was John Pemberton.

(Eccles Parish Baptismal / Marriage / Death records; the report *Allred/Smith/Pemberton Connections* by Dawnell Griffin.)

**January 1642**–The Protestation Oath of 1642 is put into effect. In May 1641 the House of Commons acted to defend the Protestant Religion, Parliament, and the Crown against a perceived threat of ‘Popery and Popish Innovations’. They prepared an oath of loyalty to be taken by all males of 18 years and over. Duly passed by the Protestant Peers in the House of Lords, the Protestation Oath was put in force in January 1642 (modern calendar) when the Speaker of the House of Commons instructed county sheriffs to take action. In February, 217 men from Atherton assembled at Leigh Parish Church and took the oath before John Atherton, the High Sheriff of Lancashire. One man refused the oath.

The names of the Allred men from Atherton who took (and refused) the Protestation Oath, as listed here, are extracted from Appendix 2 of “History of Atherton” by John Lunn, published by Atherton District Council in 1971.

The protestation returns can be used to estimate the population of Atherton at the time. One formula (W.B. Stephens ‘Sources for English Local History’) doubles the number to include adult women, and adds 40% for those under 18. Others suggest multiplying the number by 4. Thus, Atherton in 1642 would probably have had between 600 and 900 inhabitants. (Peter Wood, ENG-MANCHESTER-L@rootsweb.com)

FirstName	Surname	Title
Henry	Aldredd	
Edward	Alredd	
Gilbte	Alredd	
Henry	Alredd	
John	Alredd	sen

FirstName	Surname	Title
John	Alredd	Jun
Nicholas	Alredd	
Richard	Alredd	sen
Richard	Alredd	jun
Robte	Alredd	
Willm	Alredd	
Willm	Alredd	snr
James	Alrede	

*Is not signing the Oath be the reason why John Allred became so impoverished?*

**1648**—Thomas Smith wrote his will in which he designated himself as the ‘parish clerke of the church of Eccles in the countie of Lancaster.’ He desired to be buried in the ‘churchyarde of Eccles’ at the discretion of his wife, children and friends. The will was probated in 1649. Per the will, Thomas Smith’s daughter, Margaret, seems to have been out of favor with her father, having given birth to an illegitimate daughter, Ellen Pemberton, ten years earlier, in 1638.

(the report *Allred/Smith/Pemberton Connections* by Dawnell Griffin.)

**Sept 2, 1648**—Ralph Pemberton marries Margaret Seddon, daughter of Thomas Seddon and Margaret Newton.

(the report *Allred/Smith/Pemberton Connections* by Dawnell Griffin.)

**January 20, 1650**—Phineas Pemberton, son of Ralph and Margaret Pemberton, is born.

(Personal letters in the Pemberton Collection, Pennsylvania Historical Society; the report *Allred/Smith/Pemberton Connections* by Dawnell Griffin.)

**August 3, 1655**—Joseph Pemberton, the 3 year old son of Ralph and Margaret Pemberton, dies.

(Personal letters in the Pemberton Collection, Pennsylvania Historical Society; the report *Allred/Smith/Pemberton Connections* by Dawnell Griffin.)

**1659**—John Allred and Ellen Pemberton marry. Date estimated by the age of their oldest child. They had at least 10 children: JOHN born 1 Nov 1660; 2. MARY born 9 Aug 1661; 3. WILLIAM baptized 3 Feb 1664/65; 4. ALICE b.c. 1668; 5. OWEN b.c. 1670; 6. PHINEAS, baptized 7 Nov 1672; 7. ENOCH baptized 16 Jun 1675; 8. THEOPHILUS baptized 4 Oct 1677; 9. ELLIN baptized 15 Jun 1679; and 10. SOLOMON baptized 12 Nov 1680.

(Eccles Parish Baptismal / Marriage / Death records)

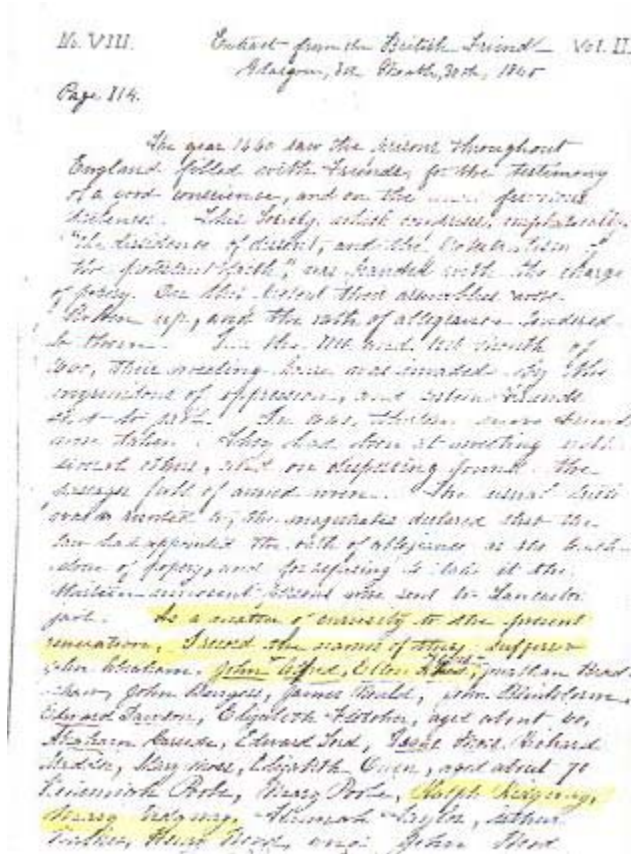
**February 10, 1660**—Ellen Allred is arrested for attending Quaker Meeting.

(Joseph Besse’s *Collection of Sufferings* Vol. 1; Personal letters in the Pemberton Collection, Pennsylvania Historical Society; the report *Allred/Smith/Pemberton Connections* by Dawnell Griffin.)

**1661** — John and Ellen Allred are arrested for attending Quaker Meeting.

(Personal letters in the Pemberton Collection, Pennsylvania Historical Society; the report *Allred/*

*Smith/Pemberton Connections* by Dawnell Griffin; *The British Friend*, FHS of Swarthmore College, PA)



**1664**—Alice Pemberton, daughter of William and Ann Pemberton, is arrested for attending Quaker Meeting.

(Joseph Besse’s *Collection of Sufferings* Vol. 1., p. 315)

**1666**—James Harrison was imprisoned in the Castle of Chester, convicted of attending Quaker Meeting.

(Personal letters from James to his wife, Ann. Pemberton Collection, Pennsylvania Historical Society.)

**1669**—Phineas Pemberton and Roger Longworth are imprisoned at Lancaster Castle for attending Quaker Meetings. Phineas is 16 years old.

(Personal letters. Pemberton Collection, Pennsylvania Historical Society.)

**1673**—Phineas Pemberton imprisoned in Lancaster castle for refusing to take the oath of allegiance to the king and for attending Quaker meetings.

(Personal letters. Pemberton Collection, Pennsylvania Historical Society.)

**October 12, 1673**—We have indications of John Allred’s Presbyterian leanings from a book called “The Eccles Presbyterians 1662-1765,” which contains a list of members of the congregation of the Rev. Edmund Jones taken in 1673. The name John Allred of Pendleton is among those listed. John was also named in a list of those who attended an illegal Presbyterian service held by Rev. Jones at Lever’s barn on 12 Oct 1673. A man by

the name of Boardman witnessed this religious service and later testified about it in court. In the proceedings, Boardman gave the following testimony.

“On the Twelfth day of October laste being the Lords day, there was a conventicle or meeting in a Barne in the parish of Eccles within this County belonginge to one Alexander Lever of the same place, husbandman, where mett together under pretence of religious worshipp. These several persons following vis:-Mr. Edmund Jones of Barton a non-conformist minister and his wife...(a list of 45 members of the congregation followed, which included the name John Allred)...together with many more who were unknowne to this informer, All of them subjects of this Realme and above the age of sixteene years; he further saith that the said Mr. Jones did preach to them both ends of the day, and that the said Mr. Jones did not use the booke of Common prayer, accordinge to the Constitution of the Church of England.”

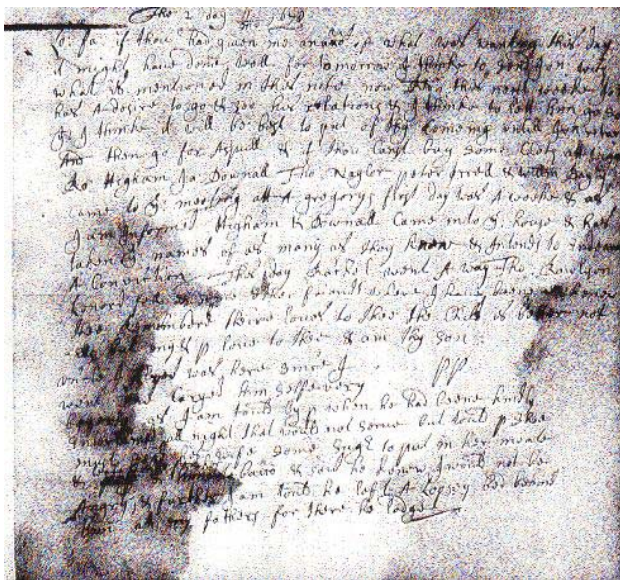
(the report *Allred of England and North Carolina* presented at the Allred Reunion, September 7, 2002, by Michael Marshall)

**January 1, 1676**–Phineas Pemberton marries Phoebe Harrison at the house of John Haydock in Coppull, Near Standish in Lancashire, England.

(Personal letters, Pemberton Collection, Pennsylvania, Historical Society)

**November 2, 1678**–Phineas Pemberton writes a letter to his father, Ralph Pemberton, in which he writes: “Uncle J. Alred was here .....him suffer very begerly .....

(Vol. 1, page 88a, Pemberton Collection, Pennsylvania Historical Society)



**September 18, 1680**–John Allred bought one parcel (of land?) from Phineas Pemberton.

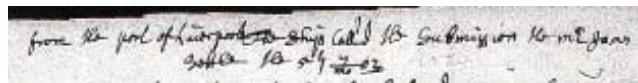
(1674 – 1687 Account Book of Phineas Pemberton, Etting Collection Case, Pennsylvania Historical Society)



**November 12, 1680**–Solomon Allred, the youngest son of John and Ellen Pemberton Allred, is baptized.

(Eccles Parish Baptismal / Marriage / Death records)

**Sept 6, 1682**–The ship, *Submission*, owned by William Penn, sails from Liverpool, England. It lands on the Choptank River, Maryland, America, November 2, 1682, after being blown off course by a tremendous storm (hurricane?). Among the six families onboard were: James Harrison, his wife Ann, his mother Agnes, and his daughter, Phoebe and husband Phineas Pemberton. Also with them were Phineas’ father, Ralph Pemberton, and Phoebe and Phineas’ two children, Abigail and Phineas.



(Personal letters and the Ship’s Log kept by Phineas Pemberton, Pemberton Collection, Pennsylvania Historical Society)

**1683**–Thomas Janney (1634 – 1696), grandson of Randle Janney and Ellen Allrodd, comes to America. His new home is located less than a mile from William Penn’s Pennsbury Manor. Neighbors include James Harrison, Phineas Pemberton, and R. Ridgeway (Ralph?)

(*The Janney Journal*, Vol IX, Issue 2, March 1994, Spruance Librray, Bucks County Historical Society, Doylestown, PA; 1687 map surveyed by Thomas Holme for William Penn)



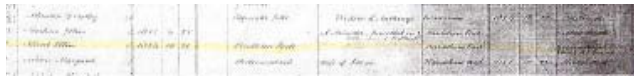
**May 1684**–Samuel Finley was born. Research by others that have studied this Finley family, say he was born in May of 1684 in County Armagh in Ireland, the son of Robert Finley and Margaret Lauder who were married in 1680. Robert died there on 18 Jun 1712. You may remember that the Hollingsworth family also came from Armagh. It is also said that Samuel Finley had a daughter named

Isabella who married James Patterson, son of James Patterson Sr. and Anne Corry. There was a James Patterson on the West Nottingham township tax lists at the same time as Samuel Finley, Jeremiah York, and Solomon Alred.

(the report *Allred of England and North Carolina* presented at the Allred Reunion, September 7, 2002, by Michael Marshall)

**December 21, 1684**—Ellen Pemberton Allred dies.

(Parish Baptismal / Marriage / Death records of East Hardshaw MM, Manchester, England; Friends House Digest Register, Microfilm 128, Reel 16, FHS of Swarthmore College, PA)

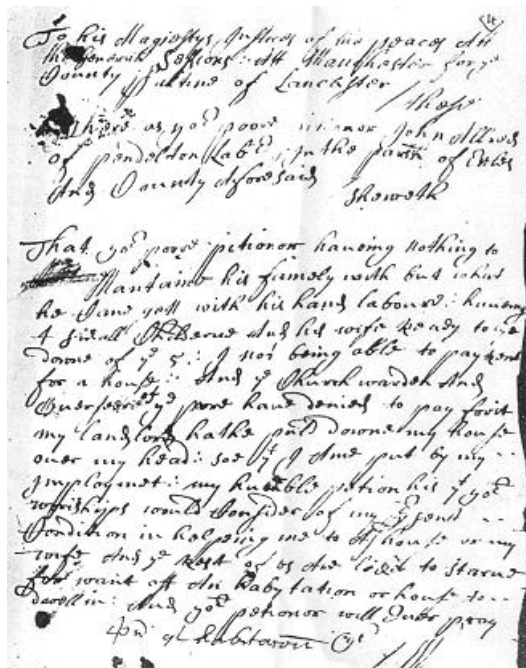


**January 16, 1686/7**—William Penn wrote to James Harrison: “I have an eye to the man thou writt about with his family. But one John Aldred of Pendleton related to P. Pemberton that cam to me at Manchester to be helpt over on the terms I published for the poor. I may do what I can for him.” William Penn was considering helping John Allred and family come to America as indentured servants.

(Page 136, *The Papers of William Penn*, Vol 3, 1685 – 1700, Pennsbury Manor, Morrisville, PA)

**September 29, 1686**—During Michaelmas a petition for relief (financial help) is filed for John Allred in Manchester, England.

(LANCASHIRE COUNTY QUARTER SESSIONS, Catalogue Ref. Q, Lancashire Quarter Sessions, PETITIONS, Manchester, Michaelmas, 1686. - ref. QSP/626, FILE - Pendleton — relief for John Allred. ref. QSP/626/4 - date: c1686)



*Transcribed as written by Linda Allred Cooper:*

To his Magistrates Justices of his Poor of All the forswit Sessions: All Manchester for said county \_\_\_\_ of Lancashire

Those

Showd as your poore petitioner John Allred of Pendolton \_\_\_ and in the parish if Eccles and County aforesaid

*Showeth*

That ye said poore petitioner having nothing to maintain his family with but what he can gett with his hand labour, having 4 litall children and his wife ready to be down of ye said 5, I not being able to pay kone (coin) for a house, and ye said Church warden and Overseer of ye said poore have denied to pay for it my landlord hathe put down my house over my head, so ye am put by my employment, my humble petition his ye said good worships would thou \_\_\_\_ of my \_\_\_\_ condition in helping me to a house for my wife and ye said kost of us And liked to starve for want of an habytation of house to dwell in and ye said petitioner will ever pray \_\_\_\_ habitation.

LANCASHIRE COUNTY QUARTER SESSIONS, Catalogue Ref. Q, Lancashire Quarter Sessions, PETITIONS, Manchester, Michaelmas, 1686. - ref. QSP/626

FILE - Pendleton — relief for *John Allred*. - ref. QSP/626/4 - date: c1686

**July 17, 1687**—Ralph Pemberton dies at age 76.

(Pemberton family records, Pemberton Collection, Pennsylvania Historical Society; Pemberton Family Cemetery at Pennsbury Manor, Bucks County, PA.)

**November 11, 1695**—John Allred writes to Phineas Pemberton asking for financial help so he can bring his family to Pennsylvania.

(Vol. 2, page 115, Pemberton Collection, Pennsylvania Historical Society)

*Transcribed as written by Dawnell Griffin:*

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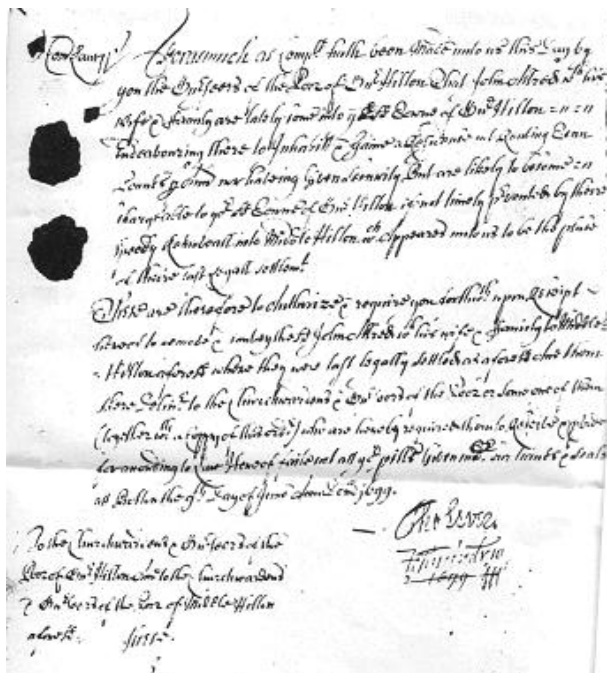
loving cosen my kind love to you I have the leter that you sent to Ralf ridgham and I reseaved too letters from you before and sent ansers to them but you [you] never reseaved them this is to let you understand we are all in good helth at this present writing thanks be to god for it but my eldest son phinease is gon for a soulder 2 yrs ago and my neglecting cuming

was because my mother was alive then and I was not willing to leave her but now mee and my wife and my suns are all willing to cum to you asking god love and desire you to send an answer to Ralfe ridgeham with speed and please let mee kno how I shall have your good asistens for I am not able to fund of myself my sun Owen is going of around 20 yers of age and Theophiles is 19 and Sollomon 16 yers of age soe no more at present I rest your loving cosen till deth John Allred

**October 20, 1696**—Phoebe Pemberton dies. She was only 36 years old.

(Pemberton family records, Pemberton Collection, Pennsylvania Historical Society; Pemberton Family Cemetery at Pennsbury Manor, Bucks County, PA.)

**Midsummer 1699**—The Overseers of the Poor of Middle Hulton, Lancashire, apply for Settlement of John Allred, his new wife (pregnant), and four children.



Transcribed as written by Dawnell Griffin:

Inasmuch as Compst [compensation] hath been made unto us this day by you the overseers of the Poor of Over Hilton that John Allred with his wife & family are lately come unto the aforesd towne of Over Hilton = = Endeavoring there to Inhabitt & Gaine \_\_\_\_\_ renting Tenn Pounds \_\_\_ nor \_\_\_ given severly But are likely to become enchargeable to the sd Towne of Ovr Hiltin if not timely presented by their

speedy removeall into Middle Hilton which Appears unto us to be the place of their last Legall settlemt.

These are therefore to Authorize & require you forthwith upon Receipt thereof to remove & convey the sd John Allrd with his wife & family to Middle= Hilton aforesd where they were last legally settled as aforesd And them

there John A. to the Church Wardens & Overseers of the Poor or some one of them Altogether with a Copy of this ord.r who are hereby required them to Receive & Abide for according to Law hereof . . . all the bills Given under our hands & seals

att Bolton the 9th Daye of June Anno Dom 1699  
Thomas Sever

To the Churchwardens & Overseers of the Poor of Over Hilton And to the churchwardens & Overseers of the Poor of Middle Hilton aforesd ...

LANCASHIRE COUNTY QUARTER SESSIONS, Catalogue Ref. Q, Lancashire Quarter Sessions, PETITIONS, Manchester, Midsummer 1699. - ref. QSP/833 FILE - Over Hulton and Middle Hulton — settlement of John Allred. - ref. QSP/833/50 - date: c1699

- March 1, 1701**—Phineas Pemberton dies. He was 52. (Pemberton family records, Pemberton Collection, Pennsylvania Historical Society; Pemberton Family Cemetery at Pennsbury Manor, Bucks County, PA.)
- 1703**—Abigail, daughter of Phineas Allred, is Christened. Phineas is the son of John and Ellen Pemberton Allred. (Eccles Parish Baptismal / Marriage / Death records)
- July 7, 1717**—Thomas, son of Theophilus Allred, is Christened. Theophilus is the son of John and Ellen Pemberton Allred. Thomas dies in November 1717. (Eccles Parish Baptismal / Marriage / Death records)
- 1718**—Samuel Finley appears on tax lists for the first time in West Nottingham Township, Chester County, PA. Finley is also listed on the 1719, 1720, 1721, 1722, (no list exists for 1723), and 1726.
- 1718**—Jeremiah York first appears on tax lists for West Nottingham Township, Chester County, PA. Jeremiah appears on these same tax lists between 1718 – 1729.
- January 15, 1721**—Jeremiah York is devised personal property (a “cow calf”) in the will of John Wilson of Cecil County, MD. The will was proved April 7, 1722. Currently we have no clues as to the relationship between John Wilson and Jeremiah York.



this court proceeding, there was testimony that Samuel Finley had been charged by a Joseph Evans, in Oppeckon, County of Orange, with stealing a horse in Chester County, Pennsylvania in 1735. The reference to Oppeckon, County of Orange, is to that part of Orange County, Virginia that later became old Frederick County, Virginia, and Oppeckon refers to a creek near present-day Winchester, Virginia.

The administration of Samuel Finley's estate in Maryland took some time because we find a court proceeding of 23 Jun 1741 which ordered payments from the estate to a number of creditors including Thomas Wale and Robert Finley, who was probably Samuel's brother. Joseph Chapline was again the administrator.

So, who was the "Johnny Aldridge" to whom Finley left his entire estate? We don't know for sure, but it appears likely he was living in Chester County, Pennsylvania in the late 1730s at which time he was still a minor. We know this from a court proceeding which Joseph Chapline instituted in an Orphan's Court proceeding held in Chester County, Pennsylvania on 30 May 1738. In this proceeding, Chapline set forth a petition to the court which was worded as follows:

"JOHN ALDRED having petitioned the Court Setting forth that being a minor and a Considerable Estate being left him by SAM'L FINLEY which if not timely taken care of may Suffer very much and therefore prays to be Admitted to Chuse his Guardian which is allowed of and the minor Nominating JOSEPH CHAPLAIN of Prince George's in the province of Maryland who is hereby Admitted to prosecute & defend all Suits pleas and actions for and in the acct of the S'd Minor as the Law directs."

So, the man called "Johnny Aldridge" in Finley's Maryland will was actually a young boy named John Aldred who probably lived in or near West Nottingham Township in Chester County. And it appears that Joseph Chapline may have been appointed his guardian. Perhaps he moved back to Maryland with Chapline since he became the court appointed guardian.

(Frederick County, VA, land records; Prince George's County, Maryland, Court records; the report *Allred of England and North Carolina* presented at the Allred Reunion, September 7, 2002, by Michael Marshall)

**March 28, 1738** –Joseph Chapline, in his capacity as executor of Finley's estate, filed an action of debt against a Joseph Evans of Cecil County, Maryland. In this action, it was reported that Samuel Finley was charged by Joseph Evans, in Oppecon County of Orange, with stealing a horse in Chester County, Pennsylvania, in 1735. The reference to Oppeckon County of Orange is to that part of Orange County, Virginia, later split into old Frederick County, Virginia, and Oppeckon refers to a creek near present-day Winchester, Virginia. Possibly coincidence, but the Frederick County, Maryland, records (Liber

F:268-268) note that a Robert Evins recorded a supersedeas on 24 Oct 1740 against a William Alred, Thomas Keley and Joseph Tomlinson, and Alred was ordered to pay 4 pounds, 6 shillings, 9 pence by 16 June 1750.

(Notes from Michael Marshall, Dec. 2001)

**August 17, 1747**–Elizabeth, the oldest child of John Allred, was born in North Carolina. The date comes from her tombstone. (Elizabeth is buried with her husband, William Horner, at Bent Creek Church Cemetery, Whitesburg, Hamblen County, TN.) Per Horner family records, Elizabeth was born in the Hillsborough District, Orange County, North Carolina. A portion of Hillsborough District later became Randolph County. (Horner family records on file in the Randolph Room, Asheboro, NC; Everett Turner <http://eturner.com/Horner>)



**June 7, 1751**–Jeremiah York received a Fairfax grant for 323 acres of the NE-most part of the Browning tract. However, York sold this property a couple of years later to a William Chapline. This was on 4 Jul 1753. In the deed, he was called Jeremiah York Sr. The chain carriers on the survey were THOMAS YORK and DAVIS YORK, probably sons. The name JOHN YORK also appears in the records of "old" Frederick County, Virginia, when he and Thomas were chain carriers in a survey of a tract on Opeckon Creek made in 1763. His son Jeremiah Jr. was living on an adjacent tract on 13 Jul 1773 when Joseph Mitchell received a Fairfax grant "on Great Cacepehon" which is a river in what is now Hampshire County, West Virginia.

(Frederick County, VA, land records; the report Allred of England and North Carolina presented at the Allred Reunion, September 7, 2002, by Michael Marshall)

**March 10, 1752**–Solomon Aldricks receives two land grants in North Carolina. Note how the name was spelled. However, the land description states the 2<sup>nd</sup> tract was located at the mouth of Sandy Creek on Deep River – the same land Solomon Allred sold in 1771.

(Anson/Bladen County land records [abstract], NC Genealogy Library, Raleigh, NC)

**March 10, 1752**–Hugh Lockin and Valentine Hollingsworth received land grants on the same day Solomon did. The man called Hugh Lockin in the grant was actually Hugh Laughlin who was born about 1715 in Ireland. He married Mary Harlan in Kennett Township in



Chester County, Pennsylvania. Mary was born 26 Feb 1717. Valentine Hollingsworth was the husband of Elizabeth Harlan, so he and Laughlin were related through their Harlan wives. Valentine was the grandson of another Valentine Hollingsworth who came from County Armagh, Ireland in 1682 and settled in New Castle County, Delaware.

(Anson/Bladen County land records [abstract], NC Genealogy Library, Raleigh, NC)

**October 2, 1752**—William Alred sells land to Charles Higginbotham in Frederick County, Maryland. Per the deed, the land is called Allred Purchase and is “eight acres of land [?] the same more or less part of the aforesaid tract called Bedlam Green. Also one other tract of land part of Piles Delight... which after a metes and bounds description says 117 acres more or less.” Interestingly, this tract is just opposite Jeremiah York’s “Terrapin Neck” tract. The Potomac River is not wide here, so Jeremiah York and this William Alred were very close neighbors. Also living in this same area of Frederick County, Maryland, was William Trogdon, probable son of Thomas and Mary Trogdon, whose birth is recorded in the records of All Hallow’s Parish, Anne Arundel County, Maryland, on August 20, 1695. William Trogdon later lived in the Cedar Falls area of Randolph County, North Carolina, where he died in 1805 and is buried in the Allred-Trogdon Cemetery along with William Allred.

(Research by Teri Cochran Allred and Michael Marshall; Frederick County, MD land records.)

This is a handwritten deed document from Frederick County, MD, dated October 2, 1752. It describes the sale of land from William Alred to Charles Higginbotham. The text is written in cursive and includes details about the land's location and boundaries. At the bottom, there is a signature of William Alred and a date of March 15, 1755.

**July 4, 1753**—William Chapline, Jr. purchased 323 acres from Jeremiah York, Sr., acreage being Fairfax grant land in the northeast corner of Terrapin Neck on the Potomac River.

(*Pioneers of Old Frederick County, VA*, by Cecil O’Dell, Handley Library, Winchester, VA)

**March 15, 1755**—John Allred received a North Carolina land grant for 640 acres on the east side of Deep River on the mouth of Pleasant Run of Sandy Run; includes his and Thomas Alldrid’s improvements”. Note John’s last name was spelled “Allrid” and Thomas’s last name was spelled “Alldrid.” By following the land transactions from 1755 to 1792, we have proven that John and Thomas’ last names were actually “Allred.”

Remember, John’s oldest child, Elizabeth, was said to have been born in 1747 in North Carolina per Horner family records. This combined with the description on the land grant that states the grant includes their “improvements” leads us to believe the Allreds were living in North Carolina several years before receiving their land grants – possibly as early as the mid 1740s.

(Orange County land records, NC Archives; the report *The Originals* written by Linda Allred Cooper in September 2001)

This is a hand-drawn land survey map for John Allred. The map shows a tract of land on the east side of Deep River, bounded by a branch of Sandy Creek. The survey is dated May 1755 and is signed by Zach Martin, Thomas Allred's husband. The map includes a scale of 80 chains and a north-south orientation. The text on the map reads: "This plan Represents a tract of land surveyed for John Allred on both sides Mount Pleasant Creek Beginning at a black oak then running North Crossing the Creek by a white oak then South by a white oak then West 80 Chs to the first Station containing five hundred and twenty acres Surveyed the 2 day of May 1755".

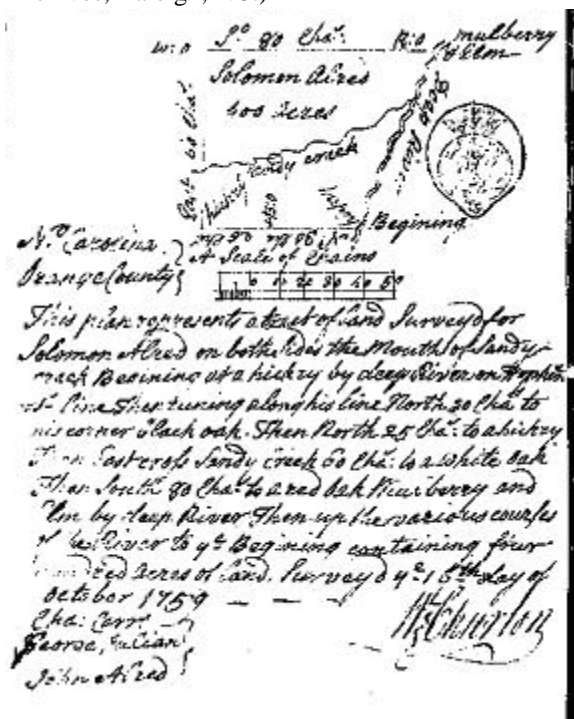
**March 15, 1755**—Herman Husband receives a land grant with the description: 640 acres on the head of a branch of Sandy Creek called Mount Pleasant on the east side of Deep River including a cabin built by Solomon Allred and claimed by Zach. Martin. Entered 15 Mar 1755 “In Lieu of an Entry made the 14 Nov 1754” Surveyed 2 May 1755

(Orange County land records, North Carolina Archives; the book *Orange County Records, Volume I, Granville Proprietary Land Office, Abstracts of Loose Papers*, page 12, edited by William D. Bennett. This book is on file in the Genealogy Room of the NC State Archives.)

**August 1, 1760**—Solomon Allred receives a land grant with the description: 1 August 1760, Solomon Allred, planter, ten shillings, both sides of the mouth of Sandy Cr., begin at a hickory by Deep R. on Hopkin's line, along his line N 30 ch. to his cor. black oak, N 25 ch. to a hickory, E cross Sandy Cr. 60 Ch. to a white oak, S 80 ch. to a red oak, mulberry, and elm by Deep R., up river to beginning, 400 acres, sixteen shillings rent per year, surveyed 16 October 1759, George Julian and John Allred, CC. (SSLG 83-C) (Ed. note: see N. C. Patent Book 14:327).

Note this land is located in the exact same location as the land he received the grant for in 1752. Or—was the 1752 grant for an older Solomon—possibly the father of this Solomon—and now the son is taking possession of the land?

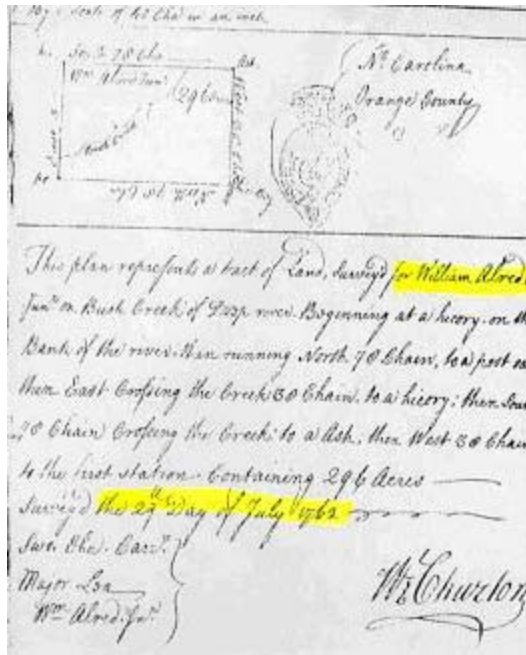
(book *Orange County Records, Vol. V, Granville Proprietary Land Office, Deeds and Surveys, 1752-1760*, page 131, edited by William D. Bennett, C. G., on file in the Genealogy Room of the NC State Archives, Raleigh, NC.)



**December 11, 1762**—William Allred registers a land grant. Note: William Allred, Sr., was listed as a chain carrier for the survey. Was this the father of the William Allred who received the land grant?

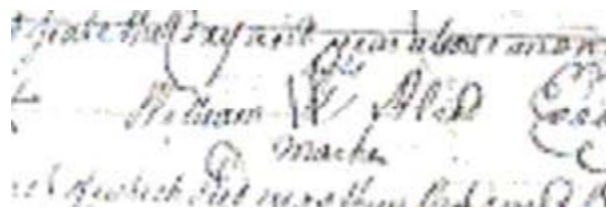
(page 242 of the book *The Granville District of North Carolina 1748-1763, Abstracts of Land*

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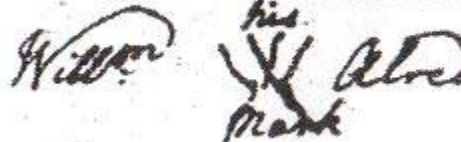


*Of Special Interest:*

Take a close look at the signatures below. They are just alike. The one on top is the "mark" of the William Allred who sold land to Charles Higginbotham in Maryland in 1752. The second "mark" below is the signature of the William Allred who received a land grant in North Carolina in 1762.



! Seals, the Day and Year herein first above



In future Allred newsletters, we will publish new three generation family trees to show what we know about Thomas, William, John, Solomon, and a few mystery folks who all lived in Randolph County in the mid and late 1700s. For now, this time line is a listing of documentation we have found. This is a research tool meant to organize our thoughts and data so we will know what we have-and what we need. And the search continues!

# President's Message

I write this message with a very large smile on my face. I have just returned from the Rocky Mountain Allred Family Reunion held in Spring City, Utah. What a great reunion! I was able to renew old acquaintances and meet many new cousins from several different states. The weather was great, the food was great and the fellowship was super. I encourage everyone to get involved in local and regional Allred family reunions as they continue to grow. If you don't have one in your area, start one. We are family and what a joy to be able to meet as many of you as I can. This reunion was especially interesting to me due to the history leading from where I live in Randolph County, North Carolina, to where part of my family settled in the West in a town called Spring City, Utah. What a contrast not only in geographical location but its relevance to nature. As I stood flat footed in Spring City, I could look up 14,000 feet to the top of the mountain range that were still snow capped in some locations and wonder how the Allred Families had the courage and strength to overcome nature's obstacles in crossing the mountains to gain access to the valley where they settled. I assure you they were very strong willed people. Be proud of our Allred family heritage because they were a determined people to better themselves for the betterment of there families.

The playing of a 200+ year old violin and hearing the history with Allred roots capped the reunion program. I would like to encourage you to visit Spring City as the whole town has been declared a National Historic Site plus, it is full of Allred family history. Lots of work is being done to repair and bringing the original home sites and buildings alive again. They are beautiful. To be able to see the contrast from log homes here in Randolph County to sandstone homes in Spring City is so special to me. I was especially encouraged by the numbers of new cousins attending. Again, I encourage you to get involved. Show up and fellowship with family. You will leave with a full heart and memories that will live in your heart forever. A special thank you to the Rocky Mountain officers and all who attended the reunion. I enjoyed meeting you and look forward to meeting you again. Let's continue to go forward as we learn more about our Proud Allred Family Heritage for the betterment of future generations. We are family. Together We Stand. I Love Each of You. See you soon somewhere in this great Nation called America. I'm here to serve in any way I can.

*Eddie Clay Allred*

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