

"WHICH JOHN WAS THAT?"

A PROPOSAL FOR THE FAMILY OF JOHN ALLRED, JR. AND WIFE LILLY ANN OF RANDOLPH AND GUILFORD COUNTIES, NORTH CAROLINA

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In the 1790 census of Randolph County, North Carolina, there are four heads of household named John Allred. Only one has any identifier attached to his name. That is John Allred, "son of William." We can be sure the John Allred with one enslaved person in his household and five females is John Allred, Sr., the natural son of Samuel Finley, who died in 1792.¹ But what of the other two Johns? It stands to reason that one of them is John Allred, Sr.'s eldest son, John Allred, Jr. who married a woman named Lilly Ann and was an adult well before 1784 when he sold his land on Polecat Creek. The question is, what became of him afterward? Dawnell Griffin believed that he removed to Richmond County, NC. But in my prior investigation of the family of James Allred, Sr., who I discovered was likely the father of my ancestress, Rachel Allred, wife of Joseph Allred, I had reason to examine all the John Allreds in detail myself. I took that step because one of the early James Allreds of Randolph County from whom I needed to separate James Allred, Sr. was identified in a tax list as "James Allred (of John)." I knew this James had moved to Guilford County. Which John was that James's father? I was able to isolate an entire larger kinship group I believed to be connected to that James including his sons Talbert and John (later of Union Co., TN), and brother William Allred (m. Keziah Field). It was my belief initially that the John who was James's and William's father was a son of Thomas Allred, Sr. (d. 1810) and brother of my James Allred, Sr. But then, with the help of Linda Allred Cooper, I came across a decisive factor which alerted me to my error and identified which John was actually ancestral to this group.

That factor was yDNA testing. It quickly became clear that the yDNA signature of direct male lineages attributable to this John's sons matched the surname Finley, not the Allred yDNA profile. Both direct male descendants of Talbert Allred and John Allred of Union Co., TN (sons of James Allred of John) and direct male descendants of William Allred (wife Keziah Field) through his son Clemmons Allred had all taken yDNA tests and ended up in the Finley group.² Even though this John Allred, Jr. (m. Lilly Ann) left no record of inheritance and no family record which would prove the names of his children, it stood to reason that any direct male descendants named Allred who matched the surname Finley and who could not be traced back to John Allred, Sr.'s (d. 1792) two younger sons, Joseph Allred (my line) and Jonathan Allred (married Nancy Lewis) (whose descendants

¹ John's will mentions his "Negro man" but does not identify him.

² See the old yDNA graph for Allred preserved at this web location (last viewed 6 Jul 2021):
<https://myallredfamily.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/DNA-Graph-from-old-website-2.pdf>

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are well-documented), must be from John Allred, Sr.'s older son John, Jr. How else would they have inherited the Finley y-DNA profile? It came to them via John Allred, Sr.'s (d. 1792) natural father, Samuel Finley of Prince George and Cecil counties in Maryland.

Armed with this knowledge, when I looked again at the timeline for the John Allred I had previously supposed to be Thomas, Sr.'s son, I realized that he first entered vacant land on Sandy Creek only a few months after the John Allred who married Lilly Ann sold his land on Polecat Creek in 1784. It stood to reason that they were the same individual. A further bit of conventional evidence was the nature of the mark that he used to sign documents. In the 1784 deed from John and Lilly Ann to John Woods, John employed a simple "A" as his mark. In 1810, when John of Sandy Creek (neighbor of Robert Field) sold a few acres of land to Aaron Jones, the clerk rendered the mark in very much the same way. In intervening deeds, John's signature was not represented in any way. The signatures were simply omitted by the clerk.

Within the past two months, I was approached by an old friend to assist in analyzing her autosomal DNA results and solve her Allred mystery of long standing—i.e. to find the parents of her great-great-grandmother Sallie or Sarah Allred (b. c. 1832), wife of Horace Lineberry. She had struggled for years because none of the Allred women named Sarah or Sallie in the 1850 census seemed to be hers. Since I was in despair of ever resolving the matter through conventional records, I agreed to take a look, confident that such a recent mystery could most likely be tackled through autosomal DNA.

We all typically have unique autosomal DNA from each of our great-great-grandparents. It is only after that point (between five and nine generations back) that ancestors start to fall off our genetic family tree—meaning that it is likely that many individuals in those generations and beyond will have passed no unique DNA to us that we could use to determine something about their lineages. The further we go back generationally, the fewer of our ancestors remain on our genetic family tree. For people living today, the most remote ancestors from whom we could have inherited relatively unique DNA would have lived in the early 1700s at the outside (and that would be true of only a very small subset of our ancestors alive in that remote time period.)

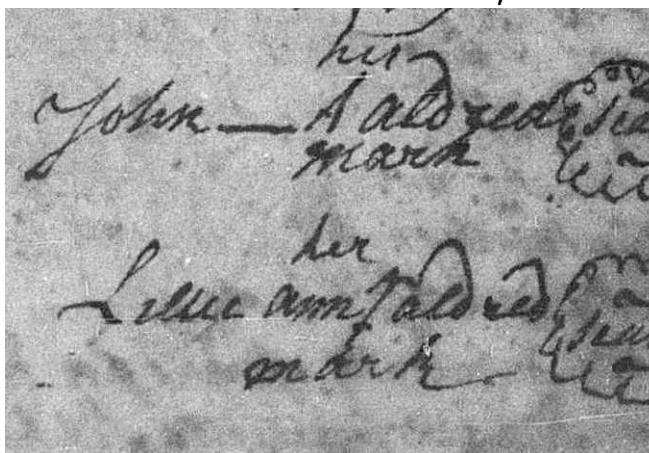


Figure 1 John, Jr.'s mark from the 1784 deed

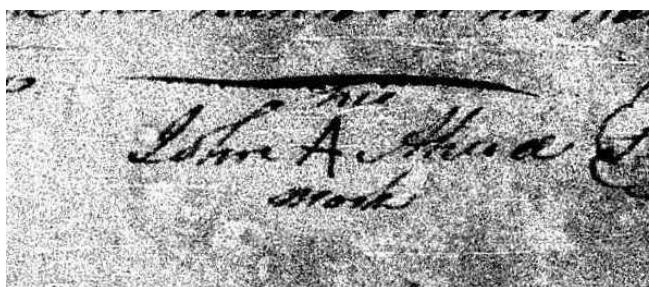


Figure 2 John Jr.'s mark from the 1810 deed

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Well I did find an Allred-specific genetic cluster³ for my friend. And amazingly, it was peopled with suspected descendants of the very same John Allred that I had been studying earlier, along with a large number of Field descendants. Though I couldn't be sure which line her Sallie came from precisely, I felt confident that Sallie was the granddaughter of William Allred (son of John, Jr.) and Keziah Field Allred. Then, I found a set of bastardy records that confirmed the connection between Sallie Allred Lineberry, William Allred's daughter Keziah Allred Hicks, and William's son Robert Allred. Clearly, the DNA was not misleading me.

After finishing my analysis, I contacted Linda Allred Cooper because Sallie Lineberry's descendant was our mutual friend. I had also found a large number of descendants of Linda's ancestor Jesse Allred (d. 1844) including Linda's own father Jack Allred in my friend's cluster. It turns out Jesse's male descendants also matched the Finley yDNA profile, as we would expect for descendants of John Allred, Jr. Linda kindly allowed me to conduct a similar analysis of her father Jack's autosomal DNA matches at AncestryDNA. He was only the second-great-grandson of Jesse Allred, and thus, most likely, only one further generation down from John Allred, Jr. Without question, I could expect to find atDNA evidence of Jesse's parents and siblings in Jack's results.

There was a lot of consistency between the results of Linda's father and the friend I had assisted earlier. I found two or three separate atDNA clusters related to Allred among Jack Allred's results including descendants of many of the same people discovered in the matches to Sallie Lineberry's granddaughter, and also a quite a few new ones. In addition, the strongest Allred-related DNA matches for Jack were descendants of John Allred, Sr.'s (d. 1792) older daughters who ended up migrating to Tennessee (chiefly Susannah Allred, wife of Hiram Geren, but also Lydia Allred Cude, Elizabeth Allred Horner, and Catherine Allred Julian). Since these girls moved away from Randolph County quite early, there were few if any other pathways through which their descendants could match Linda's father so strongly except through their relationship to their older brother, John Allred, Jr.

So, in the end, I did conclude that Linda's ancestor Jesse Allred must have been yet another son of John Allred, Jr. and wife Lilly Ann. The atDNA matches of both Linda's father and Sallie Lineberry's descendant confirmed some of my earlier hunches about who belonged in this family and identified yet other lineages I and most others had completely overlooked, including the family of Jesse Lane Allred (b. 1799), who immigrated from Kentucky to Illinois and Washington Territory. Several of Jesse L. Allred's descendants

³ Note that it is important to avoid studying atDNA matches singly. They should be analyzed collectively with other matches which together form a genetic cluster. All the members of the cluster should mostly match one another--the assumption being that the individuals within the cluster match because they've inherited overlapping segments of DNA from a particular ancestral couple. It can be very misleading to focus on a single genetic match just because you've found a verifiable common ancestor using family trees. The genetic sequences your tester and the match share may have a different origin than the common ancestor you've identified or it could be cobbled together from multiple shared ancestors. You can only feel confident about where it comes from by finding a larger cluster of interrelated matches and then determining that all of them share the same lineage with your tester. Statistically, that lineage is nearly certain to be the origin of the DNA you all share.

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were among Jack's matches along with descendants of female Allreds, also from Logan Co., KY, who were likely previously unidentified sisters of Jesse Lane. After discovering them, I checked the yDNA results again and found that one direct male descendant of Jesse Lane Allred had tested and matched the surname Finley, not Allred. My thinking that Jesse L. must have been a grandson of John Allred, Jr. (wife Lilly Ann) was vindicated.

So what follows is based upon a correlation of atDNA evidence and yDNA evidence with conventional records that I had isolated and believed pertinent to this particular John Allred's descendants. Certain naming practices, like the use of "Lilly Ann" for girls and "Keziah," "Robert," "Anna," and "George" for Allreds descended from the Field family also proved useful.

It turns out John Allred, Jr. remained in Randolph County for most of his life, only moving from one section of it to another. Later in life, he sold or lost most of his land, and thus, he left no direct evidence of his children. It appears he actually spent the end of his life in Knox Co., TN, where he appears adjacent his sister Barbara Allred York and her husband William York. Nearby is a grandson, John Allred, son of James Allred of this roster. There is also a younger male and his family living with him. It is presumed he died there.

But most of his offspring remained northern Randolph and Guilford County. A very extensive set of Randolph and Guilford County descendants remain in the area until this day. A few other lineages migrated to Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio, Illinois, and beyond. I will not claim complete certainty on all of the families listed below. I am probably wrong about some of them. What is certain is that any direct male lineage could easily determine whether it belongs with this John by finding a male descendant named Allred to test for yDNA. If a tester matches the Finley surname, he clearly belongs in the family below, provided he is not descended from John, Jr.'s younger brothers Joseph and Jonathan (m. Nancy Lewis). As stated before, those last two families are well-documented.

The chronology offered below relative to John Allred, Jr. remains somewhat tentative. It has been difficult to tease out his family from all the other Johns in the neighborhood. Not every record is listed below with absolute certainty. But he is generally never identified in a special way as "son of" like so many others, just as "plain" John. He clearly moved his family from the Polecat Creek region of north central Randolph over to the upper reaches of Sandy Creek in the 1780s. By virtue of this move, he brought his family into close contact with the Robert Field connection, into which at least three of his descendants married.

24 Jan 1784 (Randolph Co., NC Deed Book 2:76) John (A) Aldred and Lillie Ann (X) Aldred to John Woods, for £210, lands on Polecat, adj. the trading road, 250 acres, along with 80 acres on the west side of this tract, in all 330 acres. w/Jesse Willson, Joseph Hinds.

21 Sep 1785 (Randolph Co., NC Deed Book 3:338) State to John Allred, 150 acres on Sandy Creek. The land grant warrant and survey show it was surveyed 6 Apr 1784 with James Morgan and Messer Norton, chain carriers.

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Mar 1786 (Randolph Co., NC Criminal Action Papers) William York presented for an assault on John Downan, 3 Mar 1786. Among the witnesses were Lille Allred and Margaret Downan. William Pickett Esq. also accused of assault on Downan.

1790 Census of Randolph Co., NC (p. 285)

John Allred

5 Males under 16 (James, Thomas, John, William, Jesse) 2 females (Lilly Ann and Miriam?)

1 Male over 16 (John m. Lilly Ann)

1800 Census of Randolph Co., NC (p. 297)

John Allred

2 Males < 10 (? , Henry)

2 females less than 10⁴

3 Males 10 to 16 (Thomas, John, ?)

1 female 26 to 45 (Lilly Ann?)

1 Male 16 to 26 (perhaps Jesse)

1 Male 26 to 45 (John of John d. 1792)

[This may, in fact, be a second wife.]

29 Sep 1800 (Randolph Deed Book 9:435) North Carolina to John Allred, 350 acres on Sandy Creek adj. John Hinshaw, McMasters, York, McClain, Brower. Two entries: No. 34 (entered 9 Jan 1796) and No. 299 (entered 5 Mar 1797). The chainers on this survey (2 Dec 1798) were Isaac York, Joseph Chamness.

31 Mar 1802 (Randolph Deed Book 9:416) John Allred to Robert Field of Guilford for £115, 200 acres on Sandy Creek adj. McMasters, York, Joseph McClain.

14 Jan 1803 (Randolph Deed Book 9:354) John Allred to Thomas Allred, for \$50, 60 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres on Sandy Creek adj. Robert Field, Adam Brower. w/ Adam Brower.

7 Mar 1803 (Randolph Deed Book 8:384) John Alred to Robert Field of Guilford, for \$40, 85 acres on Sandy Creek, adj. John Hinshaw, Thomas Allred, Adam Brower. w/ Thomas Allred.

6 Apr 1804 (Randolph Deed Book 10:193) State to John Allred, 156 acres on Sandy Creek adj. Brower (entered 23 Mar 1801). Surveyed 5 Feb 1805. Chain bearers: Isaac York, Joseph Chamness.

6 Nov 1805 (Randolph Deed Book 8:513) Isaac Lane Sheriff to William Bell, on execution against John Allred for £27.17.6 for sundries owed to Henry F. Wade, 85 acres adj. Hinshaw, Brower. Sold 6 Aug 1804 when William Bell became the highest bidder at £52.

6 Nov 1805 (Randolph Deed Book 8:514) Isaac Lane Sheriff to William Bell by virtue of execution against John Allred recovered by Benjamin Hickman & John Brower for £14.9.10, 156 acres adj. Brower, Spence.

11 May 1807—John Wilson complained against William York, son of Catren York, for coming to his house and stealing his hat. Thomas Allred bound surety for York's appearance. Jeremiah York was a witness for Wilson.

17 Feb 1810 (Randolph Co., NC Deed Book 12:2) John (A)⁵ Allred to Aaron Jones, for \$6, 6 acres adj. Jones, Brower, Thomas Allred on Sandy Creek. w/J. Y. Wilburn, Richard Richardson.

⁴ Who were these daughters? Were they by a second wife?

⁵ He signed with a similar mark in 1784. (See Deed Book 2:76).

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22 Sep 1810 (Randolph Co., NC Deed Book 11:432) Thomas Allred to Isaac Hobson, for \$150, 100 acres on Sandy Creek adj. John Jones, Spoon, James Allred. w/ Charles Duncan, Tobias York.

24 Dec 1810 (Randolph Co., NC Deed Book 12:36) Thomas Allred to Joshua Hobson, for \$175, a parcel on Sandy Creek of 77 acres adj. Brower, Robert Fields. w/ William (W) York, Allen Herbert, Adam Brower.

Nov 1814—Thomas Allred charged with an assault upon John Allred.

Aug 1816—Thomas Allred charged with an assault on John Amick, 1 Aug 1816.

May 1818—John Allred, planter, presented along with Crabtree York for committing an affray, 1 May. Tobias York, witness. James Cox and Henry Allred to be summoned as witnesses originally, but the names marked out.

Aug 1818—John McCollum and Jabez York charged with an affray, 1 May. Jeremiah York was also charged with an affray with John McCollum, same day. Among those summoned were James Cox, Miriam Aldridge and Henry Allred, though Henry's name was later marked out.

1820 Tax List of Randolph County, NC

This John Allred may be among those taxed in Capt. D. McMasters's District in this year with one white poll and no land. But this unclear.

1830 Census of Knox Co., TN, p. 352

John Aldred

2 M < 5	1 F 5/10
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2 M 5/10	1 F 30/40
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1 M 30/40 [*Was this a son or a grandson or even a son-in-law?*]

1 M 80/90

Next door is William York and his wife Barbara, both aged 60 to 70

John Aldred [a few doors away]

1 M < 5	1 F < 5
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1 M 5/10	1 F 5/10
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1 M 20/30	1 M 20/30
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This is John, son of James, who later lived in Union Co., TN

16 Sep 1830—(Knox Co., TN Deed Book V1:456) Emery Gearman to John Allred and Samuel York, for \$150, 160 acres on the south side of Copper Ridge, waters of Beaver Creek, adj. Aron Gentry, Thomas Conner, the Great Road. w/ John Munday, Elijah (X) Bradley.

28 Oct 1834 (Knox Co., TN Deed Book Z1:110) Robert E. Love of Rowan Co., NC to John Allred, Jr. of Knox Co., TN, for \$100, 100 acres on Beaver Creek Ridge, waters of Knob Fork, adj. J. Allred, Sr., the Hog Branch, a deep spring. w/ Stephen Julian, James O. Gentry. He mortgaged this land 6 Apr 1835 to secure a debt secured by James O. Gentry owed to Robert E. Lowe. See Deed Book Z1:95. It was 100 acres in Hinds's Valley adj. John Allred, Jr. The property was placed under trusteeship of Tandy Monday.

28 Oct 1834 (Knox Co. TN Deed Book A2:11) Robert E. Love of Rowan Co., NC to John Allred, Jr. of Knox Co., TN, for \$258, 136 acres, on the south side of Beaver Creek Ridge, waters of Knob Fork, adj.

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his own line, John York. w/ John H. Norman, Thomas C[illeg.], Stephen Julian. Mortgaged under similar circumstances to secure a debt 29 Apr 1835 on which Aaron Gentry cosigned. See Deed Book Z1:217. This instrument witnessed by Clement Wood and William (X) York.

13 Sep 1836 (Knox Co., TN Deed Book Z1:435) John Allred, Sr. to Daniel Lyons, for \$225, 136 acres on Beaver Creek Ridge, waters of Knob Fork, adj. John Allred, Jr., Hog Branch, John York. w/ A. Roaney, Martin W. Yarnell.

13 Sep 1836 (Knox Co., TN Deed Book Z1:475) John Allred, Jr. to Jefferson Jett, for \$250, 100 acres on the South side of Beaver Creek Ridge, waters of Knob Fork, adj. John Allred, Sr., Hog Branch, a deep spring head. w/ John Webb, Thomas P. Tillery.

14 Dec 1844 (Knox Co., TN Deed Book K2:90) Whereas John Allred by deed of trust dated 18 Dec 1841 conveyed a tract in District 7 containing 60 acres adj. William Weaver, Buckner Izell, and which was made to secure a debt for a security James O. Gentry, and the debt not being paid, the land was exposed to public auction whereupon Wesley Allred purchased it for repayment of the debt. w/ John A. Lacy, William C. Munday.

30 Oct 1845 (Knox Co., TN Deed Book Q2:453) Joseph W. Allred of Knox Co., TN to Pleasant R. Grills of Knox, for \$55, 60 acres on Copper Ridge adj. William Weaver, Alexander Caldwell, Ezell. w/ Eli Cox, John Allred.

14 Apr 1854 (Knox Co., TN Deed Book T2:396) John Allred of Knox Co., TN to Thomas Long, for \$350, 60 acres on the Copper Ridge, District 7, adj. Alexandria Caldwell, Thomas E. Alley. w/ Thomas E. Alley, William Weaver.

Clearly, John Allred (1740/50—aft. 1830, Knox Co., TN) was blessed with more sons than daughters and their ages, as revealed in census records, provide a nice fit for the men grouped here, all of whom originated in North Carolina. But because John left no estate records or will (in fact, we are not quite sure really, even where or when he died), there is no way to provide absolute proof of relationship. For now, what is posited here will remain entirely theoretical.

- (1) **William Allred** (b. c. 1773—aft 1850, Randolph Co., NC) m. Keziah (Ann?) Field (b. c. 1772—aft 1850, Randolph Co., NC).⁶ William and his supposed brother James Allred appear in this same general area of Guilford County near Julian and Pleasant Garden which argues for their close kinship. In fact, it would appear that their father was the first to take up residence in the upper part of the Sandy Creek region of Randolph and they merely moved over into Guilford. William's sojourn in Guilford lasted the better part of sixty years and was marked by a remarkably close relationship with the Robert Fields, Sr. (d. May 1820 per his Randolph Co., NC

⁶ One of the heirs of George Field (d. 1845) in Guilford County, NC, was a surviving sister, Keziah Allred, wife of William. William Allred's wife is also noted as having performed washing for her infirm brother many years prior in his guardian accounts. Since Keziah is not discernable elsewhere, and given William Allred Sr.'s close association with this family, it seems likely to me that this William Allred and his wife are meant. If so, then William's son John married his first cousin, not an unlikely eventuality in that time.

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estate file) family into which he and his son John married. It is likely he named one older son for Robert Field, Sr. and another for George Field (d. 1845). But he ultimately returned to northern Randolph County, virtually penniless. By 1850, he and his wife and some of their children are to be found in Randolph. He probably died shortly thereafter. The following chronology traces his consistent presence in the region:

20 Dec 1795 (Guilford Co., NC Deed Book 6:221) John Hawkins of Orange Co to Samuel Hemphill, for £160, 461 acres, both sides of Quaker Fork of Alamance Creek adj. Capt. Nelson, Samuel Field, Sam'l Devinney, Robert Morrow. w/ Samuel Hemphill, Jr., **Wm Aldred**.

1800 Census of Guilford Co., NC, p. 621 (next to Robert Field and Thomas Causey)

William Allred

2 M <10

1 F <10

1 M 26/45

1 F 26/45

25 Jul 1808 (Guilford Co., NC Deed Book 17:185) Samuel Hemphill to Robert Field, Jr., for \$50, 21 acres on Alamance. w/ **William Allred**, Samuel Hemphill, Jr.

25 Jul 1808 (Guilford Co., NC Deed Book 15:76) Samuel Hemphill to William Alred, for \$53, 29 acres on Alamance Creek adj. Robert Field, Jr., Samuel Hemphill, Jr.

25 Jan 1810 (Guilford Co., NC Deed Book 10:72) Sam'l Hemphill, Sr. to Samuel Hemphill, Jr., for \$500, 411 acres, Alamance Creek, adj. Robert Fields, Samuel Devinney, John Hemphill, Little Alamance Creek, joining **William Alrod**. w/ John Hemphill, James Hemphill.

May 1811 (Guilford Co., NC Court Minutes) Ordered that **William Alred** John Hamphill Thomas Hacket David William [possibly Willys] son of Hugh, Jeames Gallreath and Vincen [Vincent] Beeson(?) be appointed Paterllars [patrollers] in Captain Neales District for one year

Ordered that **William Alred** be appointed overseer of the road in the room of Samuel Hemphills cauld [called] the Dickey [Road]

29 Sep 1814 (Guilford Co., NC Deed Book 12:105) William Field to son Jeremiah Field, 132 acres, 64 poles on the waters of Alamance adj. John Caulk. w/ Jonathan Field, **Robert Aldred**.

1815 Tax List of Guilford County—In Roddy Hanner's list we find **William Alred** with 159 acres of land and one white pole. Adjacent is **Robert Allred** with one white pole and no land. Fields, Hanners, Hemphills, Cobles, Devineys, Hacketts, Causeys and others are all around. **James Allred** is on the next page about eleven entries away in the same district with 100 acres worth \$200 and one white pole.

Nov 1815 (Guilford Co., NC Court Minutes) Robert Aldred proved a deed from William Field to Jeremiah Field for 132 acres and 64 poles.

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29 Dec 1815 (Guilford Co., NC Deed Book 12:470) Samuel Hemphill, Sr. and John Hemphill to John Hardin, for \$114.75, 100 acres 117 poles on Alamance Creek adj. Forehand, Sam'l Hamilton, Robert Caulk. w/ Samuel Hemphill, **Wm Aldred**.

23 Feb 1816 (Guilford Co., NC Deed Book 13:279) Jeremiah Field to son John Field, for love and affection, 202 acres on Alamance Creek adj. **William Aldred**. w/ Jeremiah Field, Solomon Turner.

14 Feb 1817 (Guilford Co., NC Deed Book 13:280) John Field to William Dickey, for \$700, 202 acres on Alamance Creek adj. **William Allred**. w/ Timothy Cude, John Cude.

10 Jan 1819 (Guilford Co., NC Deed Book 17:209) Robert Field, Sr. to Robert Field, Jr., for £75, 30 acres 90 poles on Alamance Creek. w/ **Robert Allrod**, George Field.

9 Sep 1819 (Guilford Co., NC Deed Book 13:275) Robert Fields, Sr. to Nicholas Ogburn, for \$616, 154 acres on the south side of Troublesome Creek in Guilford and Rockingham counties, adj. Phillip Trotter, William Mortimer, Reuben Massey, Sampson Lanier. w/ Wm Blair, **Robt Allrod**.

6 Apr 1820 (Guilford Co., NC Deed Book 15:53) Robert Field, Sr. to George Field, for £100, 400 acres on Alamance, Polecat, Sandy Creeks, adj. John Field, David Lewis, John Hawkins. w/ **Wm Alrod**, Robert Field, Jr.

4 May 1820 (Guilford Co., NC Deed Book 15:47) Robert Field, Sr. to George Field, his son, for \$400, 180 acres on Alamance Creek. w/ Robert Julen, **Wm Alrod**.

5 May 1820 (Guilford Co., NC Deed Book 14:282) Robert Field, Sr. to Thomas Alexander, a \$650 bond, promising to deed land NW of Alamance Creek which Field and his son William sold to Alexander once full payment is received. w/ **Robert Allred**, James Jones.

1820 - William Field, Sr. bound as security on the estate of Robert Field, Jr. with securities: John Elliott, **William Aldred**, George Field, Oliver Hackett. (Guilford County Estate Files)

1820 Census of Guilford Co., NC, p. 57 [alphabetized]

John Allred

1 M 16/26	1 F <10
	1 F 16/26

William Allred

2 M < 10	1 F < 10
1 M 10/16	1 F 10/16
1 M 16/18	1 F > 45
1 M 16/26	
1 M > 45	

12 Mar 1822 (Guilford Co., NC Deed Book 15:555) William Dickey to George Field, acknowledges a quitclaim for 570 acres on Polecat, Alamance and Sandy Creeks adj. Robert Field, Jr.,

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deceased, and Jeremy Reynolds. w/ **Rob't Alred**. Original instrument witnessed by John Powell, Absalom Jarrell.

In Feb 1824, Robert Allred (likely an older son of William) was appointed overseer of the road from Peter Fields to the fork of the road in the room of Jonathan Reynolds. Among those appointed to work this road were likely other sons of William: "John Aldred," "George Aldred," and "Clement (aka Clemmons) Aldred" and also, Absalom Fields.

17 May 1826 (Guilford Co., NC Deed Book 16:353) Robert Irvin to William Field, Jr., for \$120, 50 acres on Alamance Creek adj. Nathan Armfield. w/ Sam'l Hemphill, **William Alrod**.

In Feb 1827, Hunsley Field was appointed overseer from Peter Fields to the forks of the road in Peter Bowman's room. Those assigned to work the road included **Robert Aldred**, **John Aldred**, **George Aldred**, and **Clement Aldred** along with a number of Fields, Bowmans, Hemphills, and Reynolds.⁷

1830 Census of Guilford County, NC, p. 155

Wm Aldred (near Absalom Field)

1 M 10/15 1 F 15/20

1 M 15/20 1 F 50/60

1 M 50/60

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Robert Allred

1 M < 5 2 F < 5

1 M 30/40 3 F 5/10

1 F 20/30

Feb 1833 (Guilford Co., NC Road Docket)

Alfred Hemphill Overseer of the Road from Peter Fields to the forks at Devinneys for One year in room of Absalom Field, with Absalom Field, Hiram Lamb, **Clement Aldred**, George Bowman, Jonathan Reynolds, David Reynolds, Winlock Reynolds, James Elliott, Jesse Alexander, Newton Hemphill, Samuel Hemphill, Joseph Lamb and Heath Breedlove.

Feb 1834 (Guilford Co., NC Road Docket)

Peter Wilson Overseer of the road for one year in the room of Roddy Hanner form the big Alamance to Hemphill's Branch with Abraham Garrett, Peter Coble, William Field, Jacob Coble, Erwin Hanner, Peter Wilson 2, David Coble, Mary Field 2, Dan'l. Coble, Eli Hanner, Jesse Andrew, Isaiah Field, **William Alred**, F. Field, Joseph Smith, Daniel Neel, Simon Garrett & Charles Andrews.

David Reynolds Overseer of the road for one year in the room of Alfred Hemphill from Peter Fields to the Forks at Divineys with Absolem Fields, Hiram Lamb, **Clemont Alred**, George Bowman,

⁷ These records taken from the Guilford County (N.C.) Road Docket, 1824-1827, CR 046.925.1 at the North Carolina State Archives. It has recently been transcribed and indexed and published by the Guilford County Genealogical Society.

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Jonathan Reynolds, Wenlock Reynolds, Alfred Hemphill, Jesse Alexander, Sam'l Hemphill, Peter Hanner, Joseph Lamb, Heath Breedlove, Peter & Austin Hemphill

May 1835 (Guilford Co., NC Road Docket)

John Robbins Overseer of the road from the County line to Pole Cat Creek in room of Salathiel Swaim for One year with John Swindle, Salathiel Swaim, John Leonard, Charles Leonard, Johnathan Leonard, William Hackett, Nathan Stanley, Tyrell Irwin, Mark Albertson, Brantly Swaim, Phineas Albertson, Richard Dilling, **John Aldred**, Jonathan Newman, Alfred Dicks, Archillas Dicks, Horace Holder, Neelley Dobson.

May 1835 (Guilford Co., NC Road Docket)

Clement Aldred Overseer of the Fayetteville road leading from the Mountains from Peter Fields to the fork at Devinneys in room of David Reynolds for One year with David Reynolds, Absalom Field, Alfred Hemphill, Hiram Lamb, George Bowman, Jonathan Reynolds, Samuel Hemphill, Peter Hanner, Joseph Lamb, Peter Bowman, Austin Hemphill, Charles Rottenberry, Elijah Boling.

Nov 1835 (Guilford Co., NC Road Docket)

Ordered by the Court that John Robbins be appointed Overseer of the road from the County line to Pole Cat Creek on the Center road in room of Salathiel Swaim from this term until May Term 1836 with William Hockett, John Swindle, John Leonard, Charles Leonard, Mark Albertson, Phineas Albertson, Jonathan Leonard, Nathan Leonard, Brantley Swaim, Jonathan Newman, Hosea Holder, Archelaus W. Dicks, Alfred M. Dicks, Tyrrell Irwin, **John Aldred**, Neelly Dobson.

May 1836 (Guilford Co., NC Road Docket)

Rody Fields appointed Overseer of the Fayetteville Road leading from the Mountains from Peter Fields to the fork of Divineys in the room of **Clement Aldred** for one year, ...

May 1838 (Guilford Co., NC Road Docket)

John Hall overseer of the Fayetteville road from Hadley's old place to McGee Branch or the Old Center road with William Petty, John Stephenson, James Leaoonrd, Benjamin Hassel, Washington Scoggins, Joseph Newman, **William Aldred**, **Hosey Aldred**, John Hall.

1840 Census of Guilford County, NC, p. 255

William Aldred, Sr.

1 M 60/70 1 F 60/70

Absalom Aldred (2 doors away)

1 M < 5 1 F < 5

1 M 20/30 1 F 20/30

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Clem Aldred

1 M <5 2 F <5

1 M 30/40 2 M 5/10

1 F 10/15

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1 F 20/30

May 1840 (Guilford County Road Docket) Ira Fields overseer of the road from the Big AAlamance to Lackey Branch with ---among others, **Absalom Aldred**, as hands.

Feb 1844 (Randolph County Criminal Actions, C. R. 081.326.36, File 1844-1) **John Allred** accused of stealing a hog from Edwin Lineberry on 10 Oct 1843. Among the witnesses summoned were **Keziah Allred**. Also, John's appearance bond was secured by **Daniel F. Trogdon** (see below) and **Robert Allred**.

12 Oct 1848, 27 May 1848, 10 Oct 1848 (Guilford Deed Book 30: 633, 656) William D. Fields, Emsley Fields, and Jesse Wood each sold their interests in the estate of George Fields, deceased, to **Robert Allred**, in three separate instruments. Witnesses: Richard Fields, John B. Levy, Hetty Bolin.

18 Feb 1849 (Guilford Co., NC Deed Book 36:128) J. A. Mebane, Clerk and Master in Equity of Guilford Superior Court to George Alexander, for \$797, 690 acres in Guilford and Randolph adj. Jones, Hemphill, Wood, near Ingold's Spring, Jacob Coble. Sold due to a petition by **William Allred and wife** and others Fall Term 1847 to sell the lands of George Field, deceased. w/ W. R. D. Lindsay, Solomon Hopkins. The petition in question is found in the estate file of George Field in Randolph County and clearly shows the Allred interrelationships with the Robert Field, Sr. family, documenting both the marriage between John Allred and Polly Field and that between John's father William Allred and Keziah Field.

1850 Census of Randolph Co., NC, Northern Dist, p. 239 B

1107	John Allred	51
	Mary	45
	Sylvania	16
	Lydia	13
	Daniel	12
1108	Absalom Allred	35
	Rhody	34
	William	12
	Eli	8
	Fereby	10
	Jesse	9
	Gideon	6
	Laney	3
	Clement	2
1109	Wm Allred	77
	Ann	78

Just as with his assumed brother James, there is no definite way to prove the heirs of William Allred. I have used association with the Fields family as one way to distinguish his children. Finally, William's family was rather attached to the

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Christian names running through the Fields family: Robert, Anna, George, Sylvania and Clemmons (or Clement).⁸

(a) Daughter, born 1790 to 1800: Could this be **Anna Allred** (b. 1799 d. aft. 1870) m. 6 Jul 1818 (bond, Randolph Co., NC), Reuben Giles (b. c. 1799 d. c. 1865)? It would make sense. She would have been named after her aunt Anna Field Wood. Some of her children seem to be named after this family. She had a daughter Keziah, for example. Her descendants were prominent among the atDNA matches I studied. Her children are given in her husband's will, dated 14 Feb 1862 (probated Nov 1865) : Sally Irene Giles m. A. J. Laughlin; Keziah M. Giles (b. c. 1823) m. Samuel Free; Sylvania Giles (b. c. 1826) m. Daniel B. Julian; Mary Ann Giles (b. c. 1830) m. (1) Mebane Free, (2) Thomas Gordon; Anna Samira Giles (24 Aug 1834—16 May 1915, Randolph Co., NC; bur. Giles Chapel) m. William M. Stephenson; Martha Jane Giles (b. c. 1846); Jesse L. Giles (b. c. 1839); Milton C. Giles (1832—9 Mar 1866, Randolph Co., NC) m. Susan Matilda Hendricks.

(b) Son, born 1790 to 1800: **Robert Allred** (c. 1795--Jun 1852, Randolph Co., NC) m. 28 Dec 1818 Nancy Alexander (11 Apr 1804--10 Feb 1893) (Guilford, bondsman Charles Hardin). She is buried at Old Salem Cemetery in Randolph Co. In February 1822, Robert Allred was summoned to Guilford County Court to answer a charge of assaulting John Morrow. William Jarrell was a witness to the incident, and William Allred (probably his father) stood as bail for Robert's appearance. Robert Allred acquired a land grant for 98 acres on Bush Creek and Sandy Creek adjoining himself and others (entered 25 Jan 1837). It was surveyed 8 May 1837 with Nathan and Aaron York, chainers. His descendants were prominent among the atDNA matches I studied. His children included: Polly Ann Allred⁹ (15 Jul 1820—24 Jun 1902; bur. Old Salem Cemetery) m. 14 Oct 1847 (Randolph Co., NC bond; Thomas W. Allred bondsman) William H. Burgess (26 Sep 1817—6 Sep 1890); Thomas W. Allred¹⁰ (b. c. 1823) m. c. 1849 Sarah; Lilly Allred (b. c. 1826) m. 18 Oct 1849 (Randolph Co., NC bond), Chesley Smith (she died evidently over the next decade without issue and Chesley moved to Robeson Co., NC where he remarried);¹¹ Sylvania Allred (b. c. 1830); Sarah Allred (b. c. 1832); Clemmons

⁸ The name "Clemmons" doubtless derives from Clement Wood, who married Anne Field, daughter of Robert Field, Sr. (d. 1820). The names of Robert Field, Sr.'s children and many of his grandchildren are revealed in the Guilford County estate file of his mentally challenged son, George Field (1845), who had no surviving issue, and whose heirs were all collateral relations. There are also clues in Robert's own extensive estate file in Randolph County (1820).

⁹ Her mother Nancy lived with her in the 1870 census and is buried near her.

¹⁰ Was his father's administrator. A Henry B. Allred was one of the securities on his administration bond.

¹¹ Her father is identified in a marriage notice printed in the *Raleigh Weekly Standard*, 31 Oct 1849.

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Minus Allred (12 Feb 1834—4 Mar 1918, Madison Co., TN) m. Etta T. Hardee; Reuben Allred (b. c. 1837); William Allred (b. c. 1841); Doctor Benjamin Franklin Allred (15 Feb 1842—20 Jun 1924, Liberty, Randolph Co., NC) m. Sarah Jemima Hayes. There were two or three more daughters in this family born in the 1820s who remain unidentified.

(c) Son, born 1790 to 1800: **John Allred** (c. 1799—c. 1857, Randolph Co., NC)¹² m. c. 1819, Mary "Polly" Field (b. c. 1804 d. c. 1857), daughter of Robert Field, Jr. In November 1817, John Allred (spelled "Aldridge") was summoned to Guilford County Court to give account for an assault upon Jeremiah Field, Jr. The grand jury rejected the charge as likely unjustified. Children included: George W. Allred (24 Dec 1824—8 Dec 1876; m. 15 Apr 1855 [bond], Elizabeth J. Wright; bur. Mt. Tabor Church, Randolph Co., NC)¹³; Sylvania Allred (b. c. 1834); Lydia Allred (b. c. 1836); Daniel Allred (b. c. 1838). Certainly, there were older children, their names unknown. It has been difficult to find census records for him prior to 1850. The John Allreds listed in prior years are clearly other men named John. Was he skipped? Was he a servant or living with a relative?

(d) Son, born 1802 to 1804: **Clemmons Allred** (22 Dec 1804--14 Jun 1896) m. 7 Nov 1827 (Randolph Co., NC, Reuben Giles), Sylvania Cude (c. 1809-1897). He would have been named for his uncle (by marriage), Clement Wood. Buried at Pleasant Cross Christian Church. Clement Allred sold 50 acres on Alamance Creek adj. Nathan Armfield to Robert Julian in Guilford Co. (Deed Book 26, p. 15) in 1839. Shortly afterward, he seems to have moved back to Randolph County. Clemmons Allred is closely associated with his brother Robert Allred, and appears next to him in the 1850 census of Randolph County. His children included: Mary Allred (b. c. 1830); Letty Allred (b. c. 1832); Lillia Arrena Allred (b. c. 1834) m. David J. Laughlin; Robert Julian Allred (b. c. 1837); Martha Jane Allred (b. c. 1839-27 Jun 1921); Thomas M. Allred (b. c. 1850). There may have been one older female in this family born in the late 1820s.¹⁴

¹² At the February 1857 term of the Guilford County Wardens of the Poor, Zebedee Wood was granted money by the county to pay for coffins for both John Allred and his wife. Could it be that these two individuals were meant?

¹³ This is something of an assumption on my part. In 1850, this George was already on his own working as a farm laborer for William and Edith Chamness in Northern Randolph County. I once encountered a widow whose late husband had been a direct male-lineage descendant. She later revealed her brother-in-law's (brother to her late husband) yDNA signature. He matched the Finley surname which means he must fit into John Allred, Jr.'s (wife Lilly Ann) family. This appears to be the most likely unit within which to place him.

¹⁴ I suspect either John or Clemmons was the father of William Allred (b. 1828) of Morgan Co., IN who married Anna Letitia Welker there. She was the daughter of George Welker, Jr., of Guilford Co., NC (also my ancestor) by his second wife Molly Staley. A descendant appeared in Jack Allred's atDNA cluster related to this family.

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(e) Daughter (?). **Sarah Allred** (Mar 1808—aft. 1900, Pike Co., KY) m. William L. Fields (1800—aft. 1870, Pike Co., KY). They resided a page away from William Allred, Sr. in the 1840 census of Guilford Co., NC and next to Clemmons and Robert Allred in the 1850 census before moving to Kentucky. Sarah's maiden name is given as "Aldridge" on the death certificate of her daughter Kissy Ann Hunt in Pike County. Several descendants appears as a DNA match within a family cluster for this Allred connection. Given the daughter's name as well and her marriage into the Fields family, it seems quite likely she belongs in this group. Multiple descendants were prominent in the atDNA clusters of Jack Allred, father of Linda Allred Cooper. Children: Tabitha Fields (Jan 1829—c. 1903) m. Adkins; Ennolds Fields (c. 1829—26 Jun 1864; appears to have remained in Randolph Co., NC) m. 15 May 1853 (Randolph Co., NC) Rebecca Smith; Martha Fields (b. c. 1831); Peter Fields (b. c. 1833); Catherine Fields (b. c. 1835 d. 22 Nov 1917, Randolph Co., NC) m. 14 Feb 1857 (Randolph Co., NC), Milton W. Lamb; Kissy (Keziah?) Ann Fields (14 Feb 1837—9 Apr 1924, Pike Co., KY) m. Aaron Hunt; William Harrison Fields (b. c. 1839-d. aft. 1890, Pike Co., KY; a Union veteran of the Civil War) m. Telitha Jane Taylor; Sytha Fields (Dec 1843--1917) m. 25 Dec 1860 (Pike Co., KY), John Washington Good; Bethania "Thany" Fields (15 May c. 1848—25 Apr 1920, Pike Co., KY) m. 14 May 1865 (Pike Co., KY) Elijah Hunt.

(e) Daughter, born 1804 to 1810: Possibly **Lilly Ann Allred** (b. c. 1810 d. aft 1882) m. 6 Mar 1833 (bond, Randolph Co., NC) Daniel F. Trogdon (b. c. 1813 d. Apr 1882), a carpenter. She was probably named for her paternal grandmother. Trogdon had several lots in the town of Cedar Falls. Daniel and Lilly had a daughter named Kizzy and another named Anna. Trogdon is also tied into this family by his agreeing along with Robert Allred to sign on as security to an appearance bond for John Allred when the latter was accused of hog theft by Edwin Lineberry (see above). Her descendants were prominent in the atDNA clusters I studied, particularly for the descendant of Sallie Allred Lineberry previously mentioned. A complete list of their surviving children: Annie A. Trogdon (b. c. 1833—d. 26 Feb 1913, Cedar Falls, NC) m. (1) 30 Mar 1853 (Randolph Co., NC), Emsley Allred (d. 1862); (2) 8 Sep 1878, Lindsay Leonard; Abigail S. Trogdon (b. c. 1835), wife of Milton W. Pugh (mother of: Martha, wife of William Sumner; Donna, wife of George Jarrett; Della Pugh; Mary wife of Allen Hinshaw); Stephen W. Trogdon (24 Feb 1837—17 Jun 1897, Cedar Falls, NC) m. Frances Lane Kinney; Susan F. Trogdon (2 Apr 1839—20 Jun 1900), wife first of Charles W. Burrow (m. 7 Sep 1859), secondly of Joseph Alson Hinson (1837-1916); Keziah Jane Trogdon Carroll (b. c. 1841; had a son John Carroll and a grandson Georgia

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Carroll); Sophia Trogdon (18 Feb 1843—12 Nov 1926, Ramseur, NC) m. Burgess Leonard 1838-1873); Priscilla Trogdon (5 May 1845—25 Jun 1920, Yell Co., AR), wife of Austin Willard Lawrence (1845-1918); Daniel William Trogdon (b. c. 1849); Martha E. Trogdon (21 Dec 1851—15 Mar 1880, Cedar Falls, NC) m. 1874, John Joseph Glass (children Dora and Pearl Glass); Lily Frances Trogdon (11 Aug 1854—17 Sep 1931, Biscoe, NC), wife of William Turner Hurley.

(f) Son, born 1804 to 1810: Perhaps, **George Allred**, mentioned in several documents, principally road records, and probably named for George Fields. But what became of him? He may have died young, as no George Allred born in North Carolina of an appropriate age has been found.

(g) Son, born 1810 to 1815:

(h) Daughter, born 1810 to 1815. Perhaps, **Keziah Allred** (b. c. 1815—aft. 1880, Randolph Co., NC) who married 14 Jan 1854 (bond) Milton Hicks in Randolph Co., NC. Hicks was significantly younger. Her given name links her to this family. She had several illegitimate children, though she is not to be found in the 1850 census. A bond for an unborn child was given 3 Sep 1841 with Samuel Hardin and Amerziah Hardin bondsman.¹⁵ Another bond was given in 1844 for a child already born with John Pugh named as father. The bondsmen were Jesse and William Pugh. Interestingly Robert Allred, also of this family, gave the information. Another bond, likely for this same child was given by John Pugh in 1845. By that time, a girl had been born to Keziah. By Milton Hicks, Keziah seems to have had at least one child, Milton P. Hicks, born about 1864 (m. 1883, Sarah E. Lackey), who appears with his widowed mother in 1880.

Keziah's bastardy issues are intertwined with those of two other women, **Matilda Allred** and **Sallie Allred**, because of some coincidences. Matilda Allred first was brought into court in May 1843 and declared Robert L. Dawson the father of her child. In Nov 1844, she was brought in for yet another unborn child and declared John Pugh the father (he giving Jesse and William Pugh as his bondsmen); a second bond was filed for this child after it was born (a female) in Feb 1845. Robert Allred, Keziah's assumed brother, gave information leading to this civil action as he did in Keziah's case that very year. John Pugh was also the alleged father of Keziah's child -the

¹⁵ John Garfield Allred (c. 1845—1919, Marietta, Washington Co., OH) m. Rebecca Jane Staley was a mulatto man of very light complexion born free in Randolph County. According to some descendants, his mother's name was Kizzy Allred. Actually, he named Kizzy Allred as his mother in his marriage license to his second wife, Mrs. Etta Collins Johnson, 1 Feb 1909 in Washington Co., OH. He further stated he was born out of wedlock in Randolph Co., NC. Multiple descendants match the atDNA results of my friend descended from Sallie Allred m. Horace Lineberry.

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subject of a separate inquiry in 1845. Matilda "Tildy" Allred (b. c. 1824 d. 4 Sep 1876; bur. Gray's Chapel UMC, Franklinville, NC) ended up marrying John Pugh (b. c. 1816 d. 9 Sep 1873; bur. Gray's Chapel UMC), 22 Aug 1846 (bond in Randolph). He was a blacksmith living in the upper part of Randolph and the lower part of Guilford at various times.¹⁶

Sallie Allred was brought into court a bit later. She refused to name her child's father. But John Pugh, presumably the one who married Matilda Allred, signed a bond for its support in December of 1846. Almost certainly this is the Sarah Allred (c. 1830—5 June 1900) who married Horace Lineberry (1823-1906) on 26 Jul 1851 (bond, Randolph Co, NC). The oldest child in this family, Isabella Lineberry (26 Sep 1847?—17 Mar 1927) m. 12 Mar 1866 (bond, Randolph Co., NC) Nathaniel C. Allred (1844-1928, a son of Emsley and grandson of Jesse Allred) was born prior to Sallie's marriage and is likely the person implicated by the bastardy bond. Interestingly, Horace Lineberry had been the bondsman for the marriage of Matilda Allred to John Pugh in 1846. All of these ties suggest that Matilda and Sallie were near relations of Keziah and Robert Allred. The exact nature of their relationship remains a mystery.

Lucinda Allred (b. c. 1824) m. 17 Oct 1846 (Guilford Co., NC; bondsman Maben (X) Winters), John Bollin (b. c. 1793) may also be relevant here. She is probably the individual who declared Andensly[?] Lamb the father of her illegitimate child (already born, female) in May 1843. Bond was made with Joab Lamb. Her illegitimate daughter was Polly Ann Allred (b. 7 Sep c. 1842¹⁷—7 Sep 1906, Oakwood Cemetery, High Point, NC) who married John Walden (12 Sep 1845—27 Nov 1928). Polly Ann is living with John and Lucinda Bollin in 1850 and with Robert Allred (b. c. 1838) as a servant in 1860.¹⁸ Her descendants also appear among my friend's relevant atDNA matches. She married John Walden in Guilford County, 6 Jun 1868 as Polly Ann Hicks, which is interesting, since Keziah Allred of William Allred was married to Milton Hicks. Is this family likewise descended from Keziah or one of her near relations?

¹⁶ John and Matilda appear in the 1850 census of Randolph, North Division, with children Jane, aged 9, Robinson aged 6, Samuel aged 4 and Lafayette, under a year. In 1850, they were found the Southern Division of Guilford County, with John R[obinson] Pugh aged 14, Enoch Pugh (10 Apr 1851—19 Jul 1921) aged 12, Louise Pugh aged 9 and Perthia Pugh aged 5. They are in Fentress Twp in 1870, with Roxanna [Pertha?] Pugh (6 Oct 1858—8 Nov 1912; m. Hardin), aged 15, Martitia Pugh aged 10, Franklin Pugh aged 6, and Elizabeth, aged 3.

¹⁷ Her tombstone says 1838, but this couldn't be correct and doesn't agree with many census records.

¹⁸ There is another possibility. There is a John and Mary Hicks (aged 19) in the 1860 census of New Salem, Eastern Division Randolph Co., NC. Lucind Bolden (aged 35) and Vandelia Bolden (aged 7) are already living there. So perhaps Mary Ann Allred was first married to John Hicks and then to John Walden.

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Keziah Allred may have had some older daughters out of wedlock. Sallie seems young enough to have been Keziah's daughter. Or perhaps her brothers John, Robert, or Clemmons may have been the father of Sallie, Lucinda, or Matilda. Census records indicate Robert had three or four additional unidentified daughters born in the 1820s.

(i) Son, born 1815 to 1820: **Absalom Allred** (1817-1892, Edgar Co., IL) m. 2 Jan 1838 (Randolph Co., NC; bondsman, Dobson C. Burrow) Rhoda Reynolds (1820-1912, Edgar Co., IL). They are buried at the Ogden Cemetery. Multiple descendants feature prominently in my atDNA study. Their children: William Riley Allred (15 Jul 1838-7Apr 1927, Marion Co., IN); Phebe Fereby Allred (b. c. 1840); Jesse Allred (b. c. 1844); Eli Allred (b. c. 1842); Gideon Allred (b. c. 1846); Melany Allred (30 Sep 1848—28 Oct 1897, Edgar Co., IL) m. Alfred W. Ingold; Clemmons C. Allred (31 Oct 1848-8 Sep 1932, Marion Co., IN); Mary Allred (b. c. 1852); Wesley Allred (b. c. 1855); Roxannah Allred (b. c. 1860).

- (2) **James Allred** (b. c. 1775/80) m. Jane ----.¹⁹ We know per the 1799 tax list of Randolph County that a John Allred resident in Randolph had a son named James who was of age in that year.²⁰ This James is almost certainly the one referenced in a criminal action from Nov 1797 in which Jane Allred, wife of James, an unmarried woman named Miriam Allred, and Martha Curtis, wife of John, were accused of assaulting Mary Crabtree at Sandy Creek Meetinghouse. Interestingly, John Allred posted security for the appearance of his "daughter" Miriam in court after this incident, suggesting perhaps that Miriam was this James Allred's sister.²¹ This is almost certainly the same James Allred who appears in the 1800 Census of Randolph County, aged 16 to 26 years of age. His only child is a son under 10 years old (perhaps Talbert Allred). His wife falls into the same 16 to 26 age category. "James Allred of John" appears again in the 1803 tax list of Randolph County with 294 acres.²² In 1801, he had been granted 22 acres on Solomon's Branch adjacent Thomas Allred, John Allred, and Isaac Lane. Christian Spoon and John Allred were his chain bearers. He served as chain bearer, along with Levi Allred, on two separate surveys for John Jones (who married Elizabeth Allred, daughter of

¹⁹ I suspect there may have been a relationship between Jane Allred and Capt. Enoch Davis (1740, Philadelphia Co., PA--1837, Washington Co., IN). Enoch lived in Guilford County until 1831 and James and Jane Allred witnessed one of his land transactions in 1813. Furthermore, James and Jane appear to have had a grandson named Enoch Davis Allred.

²⁰ The list references a younger unpropertied male named "James Allred of John." See "Randolph County Tax Lists: 1799," in *RCGSJ* Vol. I, No. 2 (Fall/Winter 1977), 16.

²¹ See *RCGSJ* Vol. 24, No. 3 (Fall, 2000), 46.

²² "1803 Tax List, Randolph Co., NC," *RCGSJ* Vol. XI, No. 1 (Winter 1987), 6. The acreage is probably a clerical error.

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Thomas, Sr.) in 1802 and 1806.²³ In Randolph County on 14 Jan 1810, he made a complaint against Barnaby York for an assault which took place the house of Jeremiah York on 6 Jan. But he quickly moved away to Guilford County.

There, he shows up in the 1810 census of Guilford (p. 923) with 1 male under 10, 1 male 10 to 16, 1 male 26 to 45, 3 females under 10, 1 female 26 to 45. In the 1815 Tax List, he is in Roddy Hanner's list with 100 acres, worth \$200, and one white pole just eleven doors down from William and Robert Allred (above). In 1830, he was still in Guilford County (p. 122) aged 50 to 60. His wife was 40 to 50. He had one male 5 to 10 years of age, 1 male 10 to 15 years old and 1 male 15 to 20, along with 1 younger female aged 10 to 15.

In 1811, this James Allred sold his 21 acres on Solomon's Branch to Isaac Hobson of Chatham County for \$50.²⁴ In 1817, this time as "James Allred of Guilford County, North Carolina," he sold 75 acres on Solomon's Branch adjacent Lewis and George Wright to John Harper.²⁵ He had purchased this tract in 1815 from Levi Allred (b. 1770/1780).²⁶ To solidify this identification further, I appeal to a deed in Guilford County dated 3 Mar 1813 from Zebulon Causey to Enoch Davis for land on the Brushy Fork of Alamance Creek, which was witnessed by both James Allred and Jane Allred, the same wife identified in the 1798 Randolph County criminal action.²⁷ In Feb 1813, James Allred was appointed constable in Guilford with Joseph Phipps, John Hardin, and Levi Tucker, his securities.²⁸ In Feb 1826, Jesse Hinshaw was appointed overseer of the road from Absalom Fields's Creek to Jarrell's Branch in the room of Gideon Alexander. James Allred was assigned to work this stretch of road.²⁹

Since James disappears from the record after 1830 with no landholding, and no will or estate, I can only make a stab at identifying his children from the clues above. One guide has been to work by process of elimination vis-à-vis James's assumed brother William, whose children are far more apparent. But later, I was able to find James using atDNA matches involving Jack Allred, father of Linda Allred Cooper. Several descendants of Jane Maria Allred Allender fell into her

²³ See Pruitt, *Abstracts of Land Warrants, Randolph County, NC*, entries 2117, 2219.

²⁴ Deed, James Allred to Isaac Hobson (16 Mar 1811), Randolph Co., NC Deed Book 12, p. 12. Note that brother Thomas Allred also sold land to Isaac Hobson.

²⁵ Deed, James Allred to John Hayes (22 Jan 1817), Randolph Co., NC Deed Book 14, p. 25.

²⁶ Deed, Levi Allred to James Allred (28 Oct 1815), Randolph Co., NC Deed Book 13, p. 96.

²⁷ Deed, Zebulon Causey to Enoch Davis (3 Mar 1813), Guilford Co., NC Deed Book 11, p. 284.

²⁸ Judy Bryant Millikan, *Guilford County, North Carolina Records of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions: 1811-1815*, p. 91.

²⁹ Guilford County Road Docket, Feb 1824-Nov 1827, *The Guilford Genealogist* Vol. 44, No. 2 (Summer-Fall, 2017), 37.

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Allred DNA group, and the 1850 census revealed that James Allred (b. 1780, N.C.) was living with Maria and her husband in Henry Co., IA. In the 1860 census, he is listed twice, living both with Jane Maria and also with her apparent brother James Allred (b. c. 1828), both in Henry Co., IA and both born in North Carolina. James, Sr. is said to have died about 1862.

- (a) Male born 1796-1800: (?) **Talbert or Tolbert Allred** m. 14 Nov 1825 (Guilford Co., NC; bondsman, Martin Armfield), Polly Frye (b. c. 1808—aft 1880, Anderson Co., TN). Talbert Allred appears in a single road order in Guilford County. In late 1822 and early 1823, he was summoned along with John B. Brown to answer an indictment for assault before Guilford County Court. William Dickey and Hugh Stephenson were witnesses to the incident. Jeremiah Field was security on his bond to appear in court. He also witnessed a deed from Rachel Millis to James and William Millis for lands on Polecat Creek in 1827 (Guilford Co., NC Deed Book 19:60). He was a miner and moved to Stokes Co. (probably modern Forsyth) prior to 1830. He appears in the 1830 and 1840 (p. 273) censuses there. Afterwards, he removed to McDowell Co., NC by 1850. He died prior to 1860. Many of his children then continued on to Tennessee, some in the neighborhood of John Allred's family below. I am not certain whether he belongs to James or not, but there seems to be a good possibility. Among his children were: James F. Allred (b. c. 1828); Jane Allred (b. c. 1829; never married); John Larkin Allred (b. c. 1831); Martin Allred (b. c. 1834); Henry H. Allred (b. c. 1838); M. Elizabeth Allred (b. c. 1842) m. Wesley Haney; F. J. Allred (b. c. 1846; male); Robert B. Allred (b. c. 1848); Albert Franklin Allred (15 Dec 1851-19 Aug 1924, Anderson Co., TN) m. (1) 27 Sep 1874, Sarah C. Warwick; (2) 16 Dec 1888, Nancy Petree.
- (b) Male born 1800-1810: **John Allred** (b. c. 1801, NC—aft 1870, Union Co., TN?) m. 25 Oct 1821 (Guilford Co., NC; bondsman, Absalom Jarrell), Hannah Causey (b. c. 1802). This family moved initially to Knox Co., TN by 1840 (p. 32; also 1850 census), then to Loy's Crossroads, Union Co., TN (1860 and 1870 [p. 260]). Interestingly, one of this John Allred's sons, John Fletcher Allred seems to have removed to Illinois shortly before the Civil War. He served in the Union Army and then moved to Henry Co., IA, where he married a daughter of Lydia Allred Caulk. I believe this was a union of cousins. Children included: Enoch Davis Allred (b. c. 1825) m. 9 Jan 1846 (Anderson Co., TN), Lucy (or Lissa) Fielding, later resident in

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Knox Co., TN; Rachel Allred (b. c. 1831); Sarah Allred (b. c. 1833); James M. Allred (23 Sep 1833—5 Apr 1877, Union Co., TN) m. Melvina (b. c. 1845); Hardin Tolliver Allred (b. c. 1837) m. 20 Sep 1860 (Knox Co., TN) Rachel E. Murphy (b. c. 1832), of Knox Co., TN; Hannah Allred (b. c. 1838); John Fletcher Allred (19 Jul 1841, Knox Co., TN--9 Feb 1884, Henry Co., IA) m. 31 Aug 1876, Mary Emily Caulk, daughter of Lilly Allred Caulk, below (a first cousin marriage); Sylvania Allred (b. c. 1844).

- (c) Female born 1800-1810: **Lilly Ann Allred** (5 Dec 1809—29 Jun 1876, Henry Co, IA) m. 3 Mar 1830³⁰ Henry Caulk (b. c. 1805) (Guilford, bondsman Jesse Alexander). It is very interesting that Lilly Ann followed her father to Henry Co., IA. She also bears the name of her assumed grandmother, Lilly Ann, wife of John Allred, Jr.
- (d) Female born 1800-1810: **Polly Allred** m. 14 Apr 1830 James Taylor (Guilford, bondsman, Jesse Alexander).
- (e) Female born 1800-1810. (?) **Elizabeth Allred** m. 18 Oct 1829 (Guilford Co., NC; bondsman, Noah Cude) James Lloyd.
- (f) Male born 1810 to 1815: (?) **William Allred** (2 Jun 1813-1 Feb 1897) married (1) Nancy Bolling, 26 Sep 1832 in Guilford with William E. Cude, bondsman; (2) 7 Mar 1848, Margaret Hanner Weatherly (1825-1903). They are buried at Moriah UMC in Guilford County. Three sons under 5 and one aged 5 to 10 by 1840 (p. 266). Lived only a few doors away from Jesse Alexander. Buried Mt. Moriah UMC. One child not living with him in 1850 may have been Robert Allred (b. 1835)³¹ living with the Causey family in in that year. Known children include: Dobson Allred (b. 1837); Sarah Allred (b. c. 1838); Charlotte Allred (b. 1841); John M. Allred (b. 1846); Franklin Allred (b. 1850); Roxana L. Allred (b. c. 1859) m. Washington D. Ingold; Jesse Pegram Allred (b. c. 1861) m. Mary J. Causey; Margaret Martitia Allred (b. c. 1863) m. John E. Kirkman; Alson L. Allred (b. c. 1866); and Eddie M. Allred (b. c. 1868).
- (g) Male born 1815 to 1820. Possibly, **Joseph Wesley Allred** (b. c. 1812/1817, NC d. 12 Aug 1893, Anderson Co., TN) m. 13 Mar 1846 (Knox Co., TN),

³⁰ Her marriage bond misread her name as Lydia, and so she is often incorrectly referred to in that way. Clearly, her name was Lilly Ann per Iowa census records, the death certificates of her children, and her tombstone.

³¹ This appears to be the individual who was born 25 Jun 1835 and died 5 Oct 1860 in Rockcastle Co., KY. He was murdered by J. Scarber and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery. Apparently, he was waylaid on the route home from working on the London Road and knocked in the head with a stone. His wife was Henrietta Barsheba Collett (1 Dec 1839—12 Apr 1912) who later remarried to William Paul Bradrick.

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Mary Ann Wilkerson; (2) Amanda C. It seems likely he went with his brother William to Knox Co., TN (and possibly their grandfather John, Sr.) where they were involved in a number of land transactions together. They lived near William York and his wife Barbara Allred. He also later lived in Anderson Co., TN. For that reason, he has often been attributed to Solomon Allred (of Betty) who lived there. But if he was truly born in North Carolina, as every census record states, that simply couldn't be the case. He is strongly associated with John Allred, Jr. and John Allred, Sr. of Knox from 1830 to 1850. See the end of the chronology above under John (m. Lillie Ann).

- (h) Female born 1815 to 1820. NFI (?) **Jane Maria Allred** (Aug 1819—25 Mar 1882, Henry Co., IL) m. 31 Mar 1842 (Henry Co., IA), Thomas Grover Allender. Her father is shown living with her in 1850 and 1860.
- (i) Male born 1820 to 1825. **James M. Allred** (b. c. 1822, NC - d. c. 1862, Henry Co., IA) m. Mary (b. c 1835, OH). His father is listed both as living with him 1860, Henry Co., IA and with his sister, Jane Maria Allred Allender.

- (3) **Miriam Allred**. Explicitly linked to John Allred in the 1797 flap over James, Jane and Miriam's assault on Mary Crabtree at Sandy Creek Meeting House. John Allred (her father) signed her appearance bond in that case. Later, she and Henry Allred were summoned in the same assault case involving Jeremiah York and John McCollum. She may have married an Alldridge.
- (4) **Thomas Allred** (24 Feb 1781, NC-27 Sep 1860, Wayne Co., IN) a bricklayer, according to the 1850 census.³² Married **Margaret Allred** (b. 11 May 1778, NC -18 Mar 1855, Wayne Co., IN), likely daughter of James Allred, Sr. of Thomas, Sr.³³ Margaret and her husband are buried at the King Cemetery in Richmond, IN. Wayne

³² I believe this Thomas Allred lived in the area of Solomon's and Sandy Creek when in North Carolina. He sold 77 acres to Joshua Hobson, for \$175, adjacent Brower and Robert Fields (witnesses, William York, Allen Herbert, and Adam Brower) on 24 Dec 1810 (Randolph Co., NC Deed Book 12:36). (Allen Herbert, by the way, appears to have been married to Margaret Allred's sister Mary and previously resident in Richmond Co., NC). Much of this was land Thomas had previously purchased from John Allred, 14 Mar 1803, 65 1/2 acres on Sandy Creek adj. Robert Field and Adam Brower (witness Adam Brower). Of the tract he later sold to Joshua Hobson, 11 1/2 acres on Sandy Creek, was purchased from Adam Brower 7 Nov 1810 (Deed Book 12:27, witnesses James Cude, W. Ward, David Brower). This Thomas is explicitly identified in the 1803 tax list of Randolph County (Capt. Duncan's district) as "Thomas Allred of John." He declared 67 acres that year (very close to the 63 1/2 purchased in 1803). He disappears after 1810 from Randolph County, just in time reappear in Ohio and serve in the War of 1812.

³³ See my article on the James Allred, Sr. family, "No Leaf Left Unturned, Revised and Revisited." James's family has been obscured by confusion with other contemporaries named James and the fact that he moved away from Randolph County southward to Richmond County, NC about 1800. Although he may have returned to Randolph a bit later, he left many children behind in the Pee Dee basin of south central North Carolina.

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County is just across the border from Preble, Darke and Butler counties in OH.³⁴ The biography of a grandson "Thomas A. Hoover," as published in *A Standard History of Kosciusko County, Indiana* (1919), p. 651, states that subject's father, "Andrew Hoover... On February 9, 1837...married Miss Mary Allred, a native of Ohio, though married in Wayne County, Indiana, where her parents were pioneers. She was the daughter of Thomas and Margaret (Allred) Allred, who came from North Carolina to Ohio about 1808, and her father subsequently served in the War of 1812." This statement is important, because it shows that Thomas Allred was originally settled in Ohio and that his wife's maiden name was also Allred. I think it very possible that the connection to James Allred Sr.'s family is through Margaret and not Thomas.³⁵ Thomas did sell property in Butler Co., OH from Wayne Co., IN, where he later settled permanently.³⁶ He claimed service in the Ohio Militia during the War of 1812 under Capt. John Fleming and Major Lanier. He made an application under warrant number 55-80-8769, although it was rejected. His descendants figure prominently in my atDNA research, and, significantly, he named a daughter Lilly Ann. Children (per Thomas's estate settlement³⁷) were: William Allred (b. 11 Sep 1806 d. 1839, Wayne Co., IN)³⁸ m. 5 Mar 1829 (Wayne Co., IN) Rebecca Spivy; Zebedee Allred (15 Nov 1808--2 Dec 1827); Lilly Ann Allred (22 Aug 1821--9 Aug 1873) m. Landon R. Thomas; Louvisa Allred (18 Oct 1813--2 Mar 1848) m. James E. Bryant (1809-1871) (grandchildren, James Bryant, Robert Bryant, John Bryant, Frances Bryant, Lucady Bryant m. Joseph Lacy); Mary or Polly Allred (b. 19 Jan 1818) m. 9 Feb 1837, Alfred Hoover; Miriam Allred (b. 22 Nov 1816) m. John Duke;

³⁴ In fact, both Thomas and Isaac Allred (likely Margaret's brother) were resident in Wayne Co., IN in 1820. Henry Allred (probably Thomas's younger brother) resided there by 1822, when he bought land from Thomas. Thus, the Midwestern men assigned to this family, apart from John Allred (Jr.) are unified by their common residence in Wayne County, IN about this time.

³⁵ It is important to note that some Ohio descendants believe that this Thomas was Elias Allred's son and that Margaret was actually an Aldridge, rather than an Allred, but they are confusing her with the wife of the Thomas Allred who accompanied the Nathan Aldridge family to Sullivan County, Tennessee. The latter Thomas's wife was Margaret Aldridge, daughter of Nathan. Her descendants, however, lived in Tennessee, Arkansas, and Blount Co., AL. That Thomas Allred died in Knox Co., TN and is buried there. They are a distinct couple. Elias Allred's son named Thomas is almost certainly the individual who lived in Chatham Co., NC and committed suicide in the 1860s.

³⁶ This was 33 3/4 acres, part of section 5, township 5, range 2 which he and Margaret sold 15 Dec 1827 (Butler Co., OH Deed Book N, p. 547.) The witnesses were Elijah Lacy and Samuel Butler.

³⁷ It was filed in the complete record of estates for Wayne County at January Term 1863, beginning p. 587 of that volume. Deceased's land was in the town of Richmond. Zebedee was not mentioned but is buried in the same cemetery with his father and mother and predeceased them.

³⁸ This is almost certainly the father of two young Allred men, Levi (b. 20 Sep 1829) and Thomas Allred (b. c. 1833), whose mother remarried. The story is that they did not get along with their stepfather and ran away from home. Thomas and Levi both ended up in Winona and Mower counties, MN, though Levi spent a brief time in the Dakota Territory. Levi is buried at Warren Township Cemetery in Winona Co.

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Lusada Allred (b. 6 Jan 1811 d. 3 Dec 1902, Sherrad, IL) m. 5 Mar 1829 (Wayne Co., IN) John Spivey.

- (5) **Jesse Allred** (8 Feb 1783—11 Nov 1844, Randolph Co., NC; bur. at Shiloh United Methodist Church near Julian, NC) m. c. 1807, Alsey York (b. c. 1790). Jesse is included here for two reasons. The first is that his direct male descendants match the surname Finley instead of Allred. This means he has to be a descendant of John Allred who d. 1792 with a will in Randolph County. The only son of that John whose descendants are not entirely accounted for are those of John Allred, Jr., who received a pittance in the will, probably because he had received significant property from John, Sr. earlier. The second is that descendants of Jesse Allred appear repeatedly in the relevant atDNA clusters of a close friend who seems to be descended from William Allred (m. Keziah Fields) in this family. I find no other way to explain this family. As it turns out, he fits neatly into John Allred (wife Lilly Ann's) early census records. Jesse purchased fifty acres of land from William Erwin, Jr. on Sandy Creek on 6 Feb 1808 (Randolph Co., NC Deed Book 11:292; witnessed by Flower Swift and Jeremiah York). He also appears in two criminal actions. In July 1813, he was summoned as a witness to an attack by Zimri Elliott upon John York. In May 1817, he complained of an assault made upon him by William York. John Troy, Thomas Pugh and John Brower (of Chris) were witnesses. Jesse's children are generally said to include: Sitha (Cynthia?) Ann Allred (c. 1810—aft 1870, Douglas Co., KS); Emsley Allred (12 Mar 1812—28 Feb 1910, Randolph Co., NC) m. 6 Jul 1840 (Rockingham Co., NC), Emily Jarrell; Isabella or Elizabeth Allred; Murphy Allred (2 Jul 1816—12 Jul 1905, Surry Co., NC) m. Elizabeth Jarrell; Suttle Thomas Allred (c. 1818—12 Jul 1890, Carroll Co., VA) m. 2 Mar 1848 (Surry Co., NC), Eliza J. Belton; Jesse Allred, Jr. (18 Nov 1823—29 Jul 1899, Randolph Co., NC) m. Naomi Stout; Malloy Matthew Allred (Jul 1822—abt. 1907, Guilford Co., NC) m. (1) 20 Apr 1848, Barbara Underwood, (2) 10 Aug 1854, Lucinda Marley; Sylvania Allred (c. 1834—May 1873, Douglas Co., KS) m. Haywood Marley.
- (6) (?) **John Allred** (c. 1780 NC³⁹ -- 31 Aug 1854, Morgan Co., IL) m. (1) 1795/1800, [Musly?] Lane⁴⁰ (d. c. 1826/7); (2) 1826/30, Nancy Larr⁴¹ (c. 1800, NC—post 1869). This John Allred is buried at Martin's Prairie Cemetery, Roodhouse, Greene Co., IL.

³⁹ Per the 1850 census entry in Morgan Co., IL, p. 298B which I believe to be more accurate than the age estimated on his tombstone.

⁴⁰ Hiram Allred, a child born in 1826 and an assured son of John of Morgan Co., IL died in 1918. His death certificate gives his mother's name as "Musly [probably a misreading] Lane," suggesting that the first wife was indeed surnamed Lane. This evidence suggests that the second wife Nancy came along after 1826 but before 1830.

⁴¹ So far, I have found no evidence to substantiate that this was her maiden name, and I actually believe Nancy was his second wife.

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He actually lived in a nearby portion of Morgan County. His tombstone states that he was born in North Carolina, although chances are, given the age of his oldest child, he was born a bit earlier than the stone indicates (said to be "about 70 years old"). Some of the known children have been cobbled together from their burials at Martin's Prairie and Pinetree Cemeteries in Greene Co. At various times, they were resident in nearby Scott, Macoupin and Morgan Counties as well.

John Allred appears in the 1810 census of Logan Co., KY, aged 26 to 45 with a wife the same age, one male under 10 (Jesse) and four females under 10 (two of whom were Mary Ann and Nancy). He also left a single undated land record in Logan County which was recorded in September 1802 (Logan Co, KY Deed Book A1/534). In it, he gave a power of attorney to James Wilson to receive a land warrant issued to him by the county court and convert it into a survey.

It would appear that John Allred moved to Tennessee soon after 1810, then took a second wife Nancy just before 1830 and started a second family. I suspect he is the John Allred who appears in Wayne Co., TN in 1820 and 1830. He never seems to have owned land in that county. The land records survive, but many other records, including marriages, were burned in a courthouse fire. In any case, he would have to be somewhat older than his tombstone in Illinois suggests. In 1820, he and wife are listed as 26 to 45 years old. He lists one male under 10 (John), 2 females under 10 (Sarah and Margaret?), and two females 10 to 15 (Mary Ann Allred Sims and Jane or Nancy?). In 1830, John Allred is listed as 50 to 60. His wife is apparently the individual 30 to 40 (consistent with Nancy Larr's age). He has three males under 5 (one of whom is Hiram), 1 male 10 to 15 (John), 1 female 5 to 10 (Mariah Catherine), 1 female 10 to 15 (Margaret), and 1 female 15 to 20 (Sarah) in his household. Probably, there were additional children to the ones listed here.

The first record for John found so far in Illinois was dated 7 August 1849 when he purchased the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 24, Township 13, Range 11 west of the Third Prime Meridian, consisting of 40 acres from Thomas and Julie Ann Morgan (Morgan Co., IL Deed Book 5:232). Apparently, that is all the land he ever owned in that locale. John Allred is found in the 1850 census of Morgan County, p. 298B. In that record he is listed as 70 years old and is said to have been born in North Carolina. His wife Nancy is 53, also born in North Carolina. Only two sons are at home, Thomas (likely actually Francis) aged 17 and James aged 13.

Per his tombstone, John died in 1854. In 1859, some of his children made an arrangement concerning his property (Morgan Co., IL Deed Book SS/220). Eight of

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the heirs conveyed the same tract of 40 acres to their younger brother Francis Marion Allred, who is called the son of Nancy Allred. In exchange for caring for Nancy and \$1, he was to have the land. She was to retain dower rights until her death in case he should fail to provide for her. Eventually Francis Allred, Nancy his wife, and Nancy his mother conveyed this tract to James L. Wyatt on 31 March 1869 (Deed Book 5:466). So we know the widow survived until at least 1869. These deeds and one other from Elizabeth Bruice of Greene Co., IL to Francis M. Allred in September 1866 (Deed Book 5:232) for her interest in the same tract of land establish beyond doubt the identities of ten of John Allred's children.⁴² However, given DNA evidence, and other traditional evidence, and the fact that some children were just not in that neighborhood at the time, I feel this still represents only a partial list of his heirs. It seems likely the local offspring did not bother to find all of their scattered siblings or their heirs for the sake of a tiny fractional interest in a 40-acre tract. The children of John Allred and his two wives appear to have been:⁴³

(a) (?) **Jesse Lane Allred**⁴⁴ (13 Nov 1799, Logan Co., KY—14 Jan 1880, Lewis Co., Washington Territory) m. Margaret Redmond. Multiple descendants appear in Jack Allred's atDNA cluster for the Allred surname. A direct male descendant matches the surname Finley instead of Allred, as we might expect. Also, he lived in this same part of Illinois as John Allred and his siblings for around 30 years. His birthplace in Kentucky agrees with some of the other older children including two confirmed children.

(b) **Mary Ann Allred** (2 Feb 1805, KY—9 Sep 1889, Courtland, Sacramento Co., CA) m. 28 Jun 1826, Austin or Augustine Simms (29 Jun 1805, Monroe Co., KY—1 Jun 1891, Sacramento Co., CA).

⁴² The ten confirmed children are Nancy, wife of Peter Fisher, James C. Allred (wife Elizabeth), John J. Allred (wife Nancy or Ann); Mariah C. wife of King D. Totten, Hiram Allred (wife Margaret), Margaret, wife of Lewis Martin, Mary Ann, wife of Augustine Sims, Shadrack M. Allred (wife Nancy), and Elizabeth Bruice (or Buise). Elizabeth has yet to be found in a census record.

⁴³ The ones without question marks are verified from two deeds recorded in Morgan Co., IL concerning John Allred's small 40-acre land acquisition there. John lived in Morgan County but was buried in a nearby section of Greene County.

⁴⁴ Jesse Lane Allred was born in Logan County, KY per his tombstone. By 1830, Jesse is found living in Morgan Co., IL. In 1840, he is listed in Cass County, and by 1850, he is found in Mason County. All of these locations were very close to Greene County.

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(c) daughter (b. 1800/1810)⁴⁵ (?) **Jane "Jincy" Allred** (13 Dec 1806, KY—30 Oct 1849, Polk Co., MO) m. 23 Dec 1823 (Logan Co., KY), Joel Ragsdale (4 May 1806—4 Jul 1883, Polk Co., MO). Her surname is given as Aldridge in the marriage record. It is also rather odd that she was still in Logan County long after her family had moved to Tennessee. But her descendants show up in the Jack Allred atDNA cluster very prominently. I feel relatively confident that she belongs here.

(d) daughter (b. 1800/1810).

(e) **Nancy Allred** (c. 1808/1810, KY—aft. 1860, Allen Co., KS) m. Peter Fisher (c. 1801—c. 1865, Allen Co., KS).

(f) (?) **Sarah Allred** (c. 1813, KY) m. *George W. Duren* (b. c. 1794). These two were resident in Wayne Co., TN in 1850 and 1860. The 1860 census and several post-1870 census records for her children indicate that she was born in Kentucky. Her maiden name ("Aldred") is given only in the death certificate of her son James S. Duren (21 Apr 1853—25 Oct 1933, Dallas Co., TX).

(g) **John J. Allred** (b. c. 1817, TN - 23 Mar 1863, Morgan Co., IL; stone is present at Martin's Prairie, but shattered and mostly illegible) m. Annie (1 Oct 1823, MO -- 24 Nov 1870). Descendants are detailed in Morgan Co., IL Deed Book 11:416.

(h) **Margaret Allred** (9 Jan 1819, TN--5 May 1892, Morgan Co., IL; buried Fernwood Cem., Greene Co.) m. Lewis Martin (1812-1884).

(i) **Mariah Catherine Allred** (b. c. 1822, TN—bef. 1869, Scott Co., IL) m. King David Totten (c. 1820—c. 1876, Vernon, MO). His second wife was Elizabeth Muller, who he married 15 Apr 1869 in Sangamon Co., IL.

⁴⁵ Jesse's sisters born before 1810 are traditionally given as: Elizabeth Allred (b. c. 1801) m. 23 Apr 1823 (Logan Co., KY), Daniel Redman; Sarah Lane Allred (25 Jul 1805-29 Sep 1836, Logan Co., KY) m. 29 Sep 1830 (Logan Co., KY), Jesse Harper; Mary Allred (b. c. 1805) m. 20 May 1835, Thomas Smith; and Nancy Allred (b. c. 1808), m. 1822 Peter Fisher (lived Allen Co, KY). But atDNA research suggests two no one has previously identified while documents validate just one of those listed above. This result would indicate that perhaps some of those previously identified as his sisters are not his sisters in fact. These two "new" siblings were Mary Ann Allred (2 Feb 1805, KY—9 Sep 1889, Courtland, Sacramento Co., CA) m. 28 Jun 1826, Austin (or Augustine) Sims (29 Jun 1805, Monroe Co., KY—1 Jun 1891, Sacramento Co., CA) and Jane "Jincy" Allred Ragsdale (13 Dec 1806—30 Oct 1849, Polk, MO) m. 23 Dec 1823 (Logan Co., KY), Joel R. Ragsdale (4 May 1806—4 Jul 1883, Bolivar, Polk Co., MO). Sims and wife lived in Greene County, IL in 1850, in the vicinity of where John Allred was resident at the time. In 1860, they lived in nearby Macoupin Co. By 1870, they were in California. The deeds of Morgan County confirm that both Mary Ann Sims and Nancy, the wife of Peter Fisher, were daughters. They are silent on the other four. This doesn't mean some of them couldn't be daughters, but clearly all of them could not be.

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(j)-(k) Two other males otherwise unaccounted for who were born 1825/1830 (?).

(l) **Hiram M. Allred** (10 Mar 1826, TN--18 Jan 1918,⁴⁶ Greene Co., IL; buried Martin's Prairie) m. 26 Feb 1848 (Scott Co., IL) Margaret Tetterton.

(m) **Shadrack M. Allred** (July 1832, TN⁴⁷—aft. 1900, Mississippi Co., MO) m. 14 Oct 1852 (Scott Co., IL) Nancy H. Renfro.⁴⁸

(n) **Francis Marion Allred** (b. c. 1835, TN; buried Martin's Prairie) m. Nancy or Ann.

(o) **James Calvin Allred** (b. c. 1837, TN-- 28 Oct 1913, buried Pine Tree Cemetery) m. 4 Oct 1855, Elizabeth E. Buchanan.

(p) **Elizabeth Allred** m. --- Bruce. Said to have been living in Greene Co., IL in Morgan Co, IL Deed Book 5, p. 232 (Sep 1866). Has not been located yet in census records.

(7) **Male b. 1790/1800**

(8) **Henry W. Allred** (b. c. 1796, NC--aft. 1850, Wayne Co., IN) m. (1) Guilford Co., NC, 15 Sep 1817, Abigail or Abby Johnson (John Howell, bondsman); m. (2) 11 Jun 1836 (Marion Co., IN) Elizabeth "Betsy" A. Miller (b. c. 1805, OH). A shoemaker who lived in Darke Co., OH as early as 1820 (p. 142)⁴⁹ and subsequently moved to Wayne Co., IN, he may be referenced as a "grandfather" in the family history of James I. Allred, published in *The Biographical History of Darke Co., OH* (1900), pp. 382-383. A Henry Allred, almost certainly this same individual, was summoned in Randolph County, NC to give testimony along with Miriam Alldridge⁵⁰ in a case *Jeremiah York v. John McCollum, miller, for assault*, 1 May 1818. A Henry Allred (along with Tobias York and James Cox) was also listed to be summoned as a witness in an assault case between John Allred and Crabtree York in May of 1818 (same series, Box 15, third file marked 1820). It is interesting that his first marriage took place in Guilford County, NC, where his supposed brother James was then living. In Indiana, he was most definitely associated with Thomas Allred (wife Margaret Allred) of this list.⁵¹

⁴⁶ Interestingly, Hiram Allred's death certificate in Greene County IL gives his father as John Allred of Tennessee and his mother as Musly Lane. I have only seen the indexed abstract on Ancestry, not the original certificate.

⁴⁷ The 1860 census ascribes the age of 27 to this Silas. His wife is of a similar age. Later censuses push his age much higher.

⁴⁸ He was living a few houses away from his brother John in the 1860 census of Macoupin Co., IL.

⁴⁹ Randolph County (N.C.) Criminal Action Papers, Box C. R. 81.326.13 (1818-1819), first file marked 1818; same series, Box 15, third file marked 1820.

⁵⁰ Any chance this was John Allred, Jr.'s daughter Miriam either actually married to an Aldridge or displaying a corrupted form of her surname?

⁵¹ Thomas and Margaret Allred, then living in Wayne Co., sold Henry W. Allred 20 acres in fractional section 13 of Township 14, in Range 2 West, Wayne Co., IN, 8 Oct 1822 (Wayne Co., IN Deed Book E, 294). Henry and his first

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Children⁵²: Ann Allred (b. c. 1836), William Allred (b. c. 1838), Hannah Allred (b. c. 1841), John Allred (b. c. 1845).

wife Abigail sold the same tract almost immediately to Joseph Ratcliff, Jr., 8 Oct 1822 (Wayne Co., IN Deed Book E, 296).

⁵² There were certainly older children by the first wife who have yet to be identified. There were two sons born prior to 1820.