

- - - F A M I L Y H I S T O R Y - - -

WILLIAM HEARD

BORN: JANUARY 19, 1784 - DIED: AUGUST 18, 1851

JERUSA JOURDON HEARD

BORN: APRIL 26, 1788 - DIED: OCTOBER 18, 1875

COMPILED BY:

WILSON EARL HEARD, SR. - 5TH GENERATION  
GRANDSON OF WILLIAM EQUILLY HEARD AND ANN LOWRY HEARD CHISOM

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Corrections & Additions -

- Pg. 2. J. W. & MARY RENTZ BEARD had 9 children including 8 -
- Pg. 3. Add HENRIETTA who married Jeff Hughes + MAMIE SUE  
WHO MARRIED MORRIS
- Pg. 12 - ON 13<sup>th</sup> LINE AFTER U.S. ARMY - all as of 1983 they have 3  
Children William Reed, KATHRINE Leigh & Ross MICHAEL  
12/1/79                      10/26/81                      10/6/83
- Pg. 12 - ON 14<sup>th</sup> LINE AFTER THE WORD WRITING. AD. WAS MARRIED TO  
John Deniziano 10/25/80, A CITIZEN GRADUATE of 15 in the U.S.  
AIR FORCE - They have one (1) son, JOHN WILSON born 4/22/82
- Pg. 12 - next to last line from bottom after writing -  
Add one son Richard Alan. - born 3-4-79
- Pg. 11. FRANCIS WILLARD BEARD DIED 7/19/84 (LIVER FAILURE)  
HELEN B. BEARD. DIED 7/22/84 (KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT)
- Pg. 13 - <sup>LN 2</sup> HELEN KINARD, born 3/14/49 - LINE 3 - should be  
Steven Patrick, (instead of Stephen) Also ~~add~~  
has been added, Rebecca Ann, born 3/17/80  
Under the 6<sup>th</sup> Generation of the Genealogical  
Chart - Add OR Change - Harold Miller birthday  
is 2/8/43. Also, James Patrick & Helen were  
Married 10/18/69 and Helen birthday is 3/11/19

# T H E B E A R D F A M I L Y H I S T O R Y

## P R E F A C E

It has been my desire for a long time to research the Beard Family in order to acquaint myself with at least some of my ancestors, their lives, their families and descendants gathered from family members and friends. It seems that the Beard name has always been of high caliber, honest, brave, hardworking and home-loving people. They were faithful churchmen and God-fearing citizens, always ready to assist their fellow-man and were active in civic and political affairs.

Even though I would like to pursue each offspring of the Beards, I find it would be an insurmountable task; therefore, I have focused my research on my Grandfather, William Equilly Beard, Son of James W. and Mary Rentz Beard and Grandson of William and Joseph Beard, who were earlier settlers and owned many thousand acres of land acquired as a grant from the King of England, I am told. Old records have been checked in Charleston and Columbia, South Carolina, and verifications of the grant could not be obtained. This land holding began at what was known as the Rentz Place and extended some five (5) or six (6) miles west to what was known as the Isham Goodwin Place today. This information came from the late G. Wilson Beard, Nephew of William Equilly, and seems logical, since several of the Beards married into the Rentz Family. The property, which was granted to the Beards, is located in what is now known as the Colston Branch Community of Bamberg County, South Carolina. However, at the outset, it is surmized to have been designated as a Parish. Later, it became a part of Barnwell County and remained so until its division and the establishment of Bamberg County in 1898. It was also known through the years as The Three Mile Creek District or The Lower District.

My thanks to all who helped in compiling the information herein. I trust it will be of interest to all who see it and that it can be kept up to date in the future for those present and those yet to come.

## T H E   B E A R D   F A M I L Y   H I S T O R Y

William Beard (#1)\*, Great-Great-Grandfather of the writer, was born January 19, 1784, and died August 18, 1851. He was married to Jerusha Jourdon. She was born April 20, 1788, and died October 18, 1875. They were among the earlier settlers in what is now known as Bamberg County, large landowners and owners of slaves. They had eight (8) children, as far as it can be determined. All birth and death dates are not available, but are recorded as follows:

1. Sarah (Sally) (#2) was born February 13, 1808, and died February 17, 1892. She was married to Rev. Peter Rentz, who was born in 1804, and died November 16, 1873.
2. Priscilla (#3) was born November 21, 1818, and died August 21, 1874. She was married to John Clayton. He was born November 21, 1818, and died March 15, 1890.
3. James W. (#4), Great-Grandfather of the writer, was born February 16, 1825, and died May 19, 1884, at the age of 72. He was married to Mary Rentz, who was born January 23, 1827, and died April 20, 1916, at the age of 89.
4. H. Duncan (#5) was born April 6, 1827, and died May 1, 1911. He was married to Rebecca A. Rentz, who was born September 14, 1825, and died January 12, 1895.
5. Thomas (#6) has no record of birth or death, but was married twice, first to a Miss Breeland and secondly to a Miss Chitty. I could find no further information on Thomas.
6. John (#7) - I could find no record on John.
7. Lizzie (#8) - I could find no record of her birth or death dates, but she was married to Hansford Varn.

\* - Genealogical Chart Number

Anna (#9) - I could find no record of her birth or death dates, but she was married to Gabriel Miller.

James W. (#4) and Mary Rentz Beard had eight (8) children. They were as follows:

1. George W. (#10) was born October 12, 1846, and died January 23, 1918. He was married to Lucia Smoak, who was born April 8, 1849, and died September 6, 1935. Aunt Lucia, as I can remember so well telling the stories about the War Between The States and the passing of Sherman's army through the community, was a soft spoken and compassionate lady. They had four (4) children to my knowledge - Charlie, Sudie, Wilson and Duncan.
2. Peter C. (#11) was born October 12, 1848, and died January 14, 1888. He was married to Rebecca Jane Smoak, who was born December 11, 1852, and died October 30, 1884. Only record of any children was a daughter, Olif Cordellia, born May 24, , and died February 26, 1899.
3. Sudie (#12) and Ursula (#13) were twins born November 21, 1852. Sudie was married to Jim Brown. I could find no record of his birth or death dates. I, also, could find no record of Sudie's death date. Ursula was married to Josiah Brooks Aull, who was born August 6, 1857, and died March 8, 1927. Ursula died July 27, 1921. They had five (5) children to my knowledge - Lizzy, Rebecca (who is still living at this writing), George, Alberta and Charlie.
4. William Equilly (#14), Grandfather of the writer, was born February 8, 1853, and died March 2, 1901. He was married to Rebecca Ann Lowry, born September 20, 1860, and died January 24, 1922. This marriage and descendants will be continued after the naming of the rest of James W. and Mary's children.
5. Charlie (#15) was married to Ida Boynton. I could find no record of their birth or death dates.

6. Peckie (#16) was married to Lize O'Quinn. I could find no record of their birth or death dates.

7. Dama (#17), as I am told, died at a very young age. I could not find

any further records on her.

*HENRIETTA*  
*THE RES ANOTHER LATER LEARNED ~~GEORGE~~ Beard who married Jeff Hughes*

I will now focus on William Equilly Beard (#14), his life and descendents. He

was born to James (#4) and Mary Beard. He married Rebecca Ann Lowry around 1276 or 1278.

They spent their entire life in the Colston Community, as far as can be determined. Their chief vocation was, as his forefathers, farming, primarily. From all indications was an extremely hard worker and was determined to leave his mark on history. Their old home was located on the present site of my boyhood home, where my mother (age 83) still resides. He built the house now standing. He died of an apparent heart attack on March 2, 1901, at the age of 49. They had three sons - Henry Ward Beecher, Joseph Clyde Cleveland and Billy Wilson, my father. They also unofficially adopted a girl at the age of six (6), Essie Sandifer (#21). I remember her very well. She was married to Emory Williams of Norway, South Carolina. She was killed in an automobile wreck near Orangeburg, South Carolina in 1960.

William E. (#14) and his wife, Rebecca Ann, are buried in the Colston Branch Church Cemetery. After William E. Beard's death, his wife married Rev. S. P. Chisom, who is also buried in the Colston Church Cemetery.

It is noteworthy, I'm sure, to mention that the Colston Branch Church property was given by Mary E. Beard, mother of William E., and a great deal of the actual work done on the original church was by him. The church has been remodeled and added to, but still stands on the original site and is a central and hallowed place in the community. The bell in the tower is from the home of William E. Beard, used there to call the farm workers from the fields at noon time, having been used through my boyhood days. It is also noteworthy to mention that the land on which the Colston School was built, now being used as a community center, was a part of the William E. Beard property.

Now to the descendents of William E. and Rebecca Ann Beard. Henry Ward Beecher

(#18) was born June 2, 1879, and was married to Bridgette Isabella O'Byrnes Godbee. She was a widow with one (1) daughter, Homer (#22). Henry W. B. (#18) and "Biddy", as she was known to most of us, had four (4) children - Eugenia Beryle (#23) was born March 20, 1902; Nell Gwynn (#24) was born July 11, 1905; Henry Granite (#25) was born August 26, 1908; and Jessie Belle (#26) was born May 16, 1914. They made their home in Bamberg, the County Seat of Bamberg County, which was known earlier as Lowry's Turnout (the maiden name of Rebecca Ann). The Henry Beard Family's vocation was farming and grocery business. They had a grocery store in front of their home on South Main Street in Bamberg. They acquired a considerable amount of property on the south side of town. After all the children were married, Aunt "Biddy" died on March 14, 1940, and was buried in the South End Cemetary in Bamberg. After some time, Henry W. B. Beard married Bertie Langsdale. There were no children of this union. Henry W. B. Beard died on March 27, 1945, and was buried also in the South End Cemetary.

I think its well to note that Bamberg was approximately the central point between Charleston and Hamburg, the route of the first railroad in the world. The first train, "The Best Friend", traveled this route.

Children of Henry W. B. (#18) and Bridgette Isabelle Beard were:

1. Homer Godbee (#22) was born on \_\_\_\_\_, and was married to Leland Sandifer, Sr. on \_\_\_\_\_, who was born on \_\_\_\_\_, and they had three (3) sons - Leland F. Sandifer, Jr. (#34), who was born on \_\_\_\_\_, and was married to \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_, who was born on \_\_\_\_\_, and they had \_\_\_\_\_ children; Homer Virgil Sandifer (#35) was born on \_\_\_\_\_, and was married to \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_, who was born \_\_\_\_\_, and they had \_\_\_\_\_ children; Winfred Sandifer (#36) was born on \_\_\_\_\_, and was married to \_\_\_\_\_, who was born on \_\_\_\_\_, and they had \_\_\_\_\_ children.

2. Eugenia Beryl (#23) was born on March 20, 1902, and married Edward Albert Wilkowski on January 6, 1921, Edward Albert was born on January 6, 1896,

and died on January 13, 1947. They had three (3) children - Margaret Louise (#37); Edward Albert, Jr. (#38) and John Henry (#39). Margaret Louise (#37) was born on November 13, 1922, and married Daniel Rush Matheny on December 24, 1948, and they have one (1) son, Daniel Louis Matheny (#71), who was born on February 12, 1949. Daniel was married to Peggy Ann Sanders on October 28, 1967, and they have three (3) children - Kelly Elaine (#135) was born on October 20, 1969; Pamala Ann (#136) was born on April 18, 1970; and Margaret Lynn (#137) was born on July 22, 1975. Edward Albert, Jr. (#38) was born on February 16, 1927, and married Jennette McAlhaney on \_\_\_\_\_, and they have three (3) children - Edward Albert III (# \_\_\_\_\_) was born on \_\_\_\_\_, and was married to \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_, and they have \_\_\_\_\_ children; Linda (# \_\_\_\_\_) was born on \_\_\_\_\_, and was married to \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_, and they have \_\_\_\_\_ children; Danielle (# \_\_\_\_\_) was born on \_\_\_\_\_, and was married to \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_, and they have \_\_\_\_\_ children. John Henry (#39) was born on March 22, 1932, and is not married at this time.

3. Nell Gwynn (#24) was born on July 11, 1905, and married Robert Taylor Abanathy, Jr. on May 15, 1926, and they have two (2) children - Ethel Gene (#40) was born on February 14, 1928, who married Marshall White Graham, Jr., on June 27, 1952, and they have four (4) children - Marshall White III (#72) who was born on January 6, 1954; William Andrew (#73), Marinelle (#74) and Laurie Gene (#75). Birth, marriage and death dates, if any, are not known, of the last three (3) children. Robert Taylor III (#41) was born on November 23, 1932, and married Nancy Sue Riggs on June 7, 1954, and they have two (2) children - Robert Taylor IV (#76), who was born on May 2, 1955, who married \_\_\_\_\_, on \_\_\_\_\_, and they have \_\_\_\_\_ children. Lee



(#77) was born on December 23, 1957, and was married to  
on , and they have children.

4. Henry Granite (#25), was born on August 26, 1908, and was married to  
Rossie Gray on August 29, 1926, and they had four (4) children: Virginia  
Belle (#42), Johnnie Ann (#43), Henry Granite, Jr. (#44), and Roslyn Jean  
(#45). Virginia Ann (#42) was born on March 14, 1928, and married Robert  
Watson Kemp on April 15, 1948, and they have six (6) children; Phillis  
Ann (#78) was born on November 4, 1948, Robert Henry (#79) was born on  
March 27, 1951, and was married to Virginia Stuart Carroll on June 25,  
1971, and they have children, William Steven (#80) was born on June  
21, 1954, and Nancy Virginia (#81) was born on December 16, 1956, and  
James Fredrick (#82) was born on October 14, 1960, and Richard Gray (#83)  
was born on August 10, 1964. Phillis Ann (#78) was married to Gustavus  
Eugene Schwarting, Jr., on January 4, 1969, and they have two (2) children;  
Gustavus Eugene III (#138) was born on October 15, 1969, and Roberta Ann  
(#139) was born on June 1, 1975. Johnnie Ann (#43) was born on April 24,  
1900, and was married to Robert Fulmer Smoak on , and  
they have four (4) children; Brenda Gayle (#84) was born December 18, 1950,  
Ralph Gregory (#85) was born on January 17, 1953, Cynthia Gene (#86) was  
born on June 7, 1957, and John Ward (#87) was born on September 6, 1954.  
Brenda Gayle married Charles Clifford Whitt on June 7, 1969, and they have  
three (3) children; Ann Michelle (#140) was born on June 25, 1970, Joseph  
Fulmer (#141) was born on February 15, 1973, and Jennifer Diane (#142) was  
born on June 5, 1975. Ralph Gregory was married to Pamela Louise Dean on  
June 10, 1972, and they have one child; Brandy Lynn (#143) was born on Au-  
gust 12, 1974. Cynthia Gene married Demetrice Marvin Babb on ,  
and they have one (1) child; Tina Marie (#144) was born on June 3, 1975.  
Henry Granite, Jr. (#44) was born February 5, 1938, married Nancy Elizabeth

Taylor on June 13, 1964, and they have three (3) children; Robert Eric (#88) was born on October 28, 1964, Sandra Jean (#89) was born on July 17, 1966, and Bridgette Elizabeth (#90) was born on January 19, 1973. Rosyln Jean (#45) married Richard Early and they have three children. I could not obtain any family information. Rossie, some years after Henry Granite, Sr.'s (#25) death, on January 31, 1965, married Edward A. Lane on October 31, 1973.

5. Jessie Belle (#26) was born on May 16, 1914, married David Guy Graham on June 8, 1929, and they had two (2) children; Ann Collean (#46) and David Guy, Jr. (#47). Ann Collean was born on October 11, 1930, and married Patrick Norman McGinnis on February 12, 1949, and they have five (5) children; Sandra Lynn (#94), Catherine Collean (#95), Mary Jane (#96), Patrick Shawn (#97), and Timothy Graham (#98). Sandra Lynn (#94) was born on October 6, 1951, married Gary Gordon Bryan on May 19, 1973, and they have children. Catherine Collean (#95) was born on December 15, 1952, married James Thomas Andrews, Jr. on October 23, 1970, and they have one (1) child, Laurie Collean (#145), born on May 5, 1971. Mary Jane (#96) was born on March 26, 1955, married Henry Eugene Edwards, Jr., on , and they have children. Patrick Shawn (#97) was born on February 10, 1957, and is not married and Timothy Graham (#98) was born on June 8, 1958, and is not married. David Guy Graham, Jr. (#47) was born on July 23, 1937, and is married to Shirley Mae Schilling on June 18, 1954, and they have three (3) children; Kimberly Cecile (#99), Cynthia Anne (#100) and Melissa Denise (#101). Jessie Belle (#26) divorced David Guy Graham, Sr. about 1944, later married Edward Joseph Lazecki on August 31, 1944, and they had three (3) children; Patricia Dianne (#48) born on May 8, 1945, married Robert Lawrence Blich on , and they have two children; Jessica (#102) born on

November , 1969, and Robert Edward (#103), born on November , 1972.

Joseph Charles (#49) was born January 9, 1947, and was one of many who gave his life in the Vietnam War. It is regretful to have lost such a fine young man as in such a politically controled war. We trust, however that his supreme sacrifice was not made in vain. He died in combat on March 2, 1970, at the age of 23. Theodore Ward (#50) was born on July 2, 1953, married , on June 4, 1977.

Joseph Clyde Cleveland (#18), the second son of William Equilly, was born on September 12, 1884, and was married to Harriett Ann Zeiglar on January 1, 1905. Their home was about three-fourths (3/4) of a mile from the old home place of their childhood. It was also the homeplace of James W. (#4) and Mary Beard. They were chiefly engaged in farming and were very active in church and community affairs. They, like most folk in the community, raised most of their foods. Canning foods and vegetables were very popular in their home. They had four (4) children; Aileen (#27), Hermine (#28), Harold Zeiglar (#29) and Joseph Clyde, Jr. (#30).

1. Aileen (#27) was born on August 23, 1906, married Claude Kirkland on November 11, 1923, and they had three (3) children; Laura Ann (#51), Barbara Allen (#52) and Claudia Jean (#53). Claude Kirkland died on February 19, 1962, at the age of 62. It is well to note that he was funeralized on February 20, 1962, the day the first astronaut, John Glenn, circled the earth. Laura Ann (#51) was born on April 27, 1927, married John Wesley McKettrick on January 5, 1947, and they have two (2) children; Gerald Wesley (#104) was born July 13, 1948, married Jean Winifred Elithe on February 3, 1968, and they have two (2) children; Ronald Wesley (#146) was born on May 5, 1971, and Stephen Wayne (#147) was born on November 16, 1974. Charles Wayne (#105) was born on December 17, 1955, and is not married at this writing. Barbara Allen (#52) was born on August 2, 1928, married Clement Elkins Acreman on September , 1949. They have no

children. Claudia Jean (#53) was born on June 2, 1945, married Danny Overstreet on September 5, 1964, and they have one (1) child; Brian Kirk (#106) was born on June 2, 1973. Claudia and Danny were divorced on December 21, 1973, and Claudia was remarried to Heyward Sandifer on January 4, 1974. They have no children at this writing, Danny remarried on \_\_\_\_\_, and she has three (3) children by a previous marriage. After Claude's death in 1962, some time passed and Aileen married Jack Kirkland on January 19, 1964, they had no children.

2. Hermine (#28) was born on August 11, 1908, married Perry Lee McMillan on December 23, 1928, and they had four (4) children; Harriette Elizabeth (#54), Gwendolyn (#55), Joseph Lee (#56) and Ronald Kay (#57). Harriett Elizabeth (#54) was born on May 2, 1930, married Benjie Hare on June 28, 1951, and they have two children; Ben (#107) was born on December 8, 1958. He is not married at this writing. Jon (#108) was born on February 4, 1960. He is not married at this writing. Gwendolyn (#55) was born on July 16, 1932, married Will Cross on \_\_\_\_\_, 1953, and they had three (3) children; Nancy Lynn (#109) was born on November \_\_\_\_\_, 1956, and died in her early infancy. Lee Ann (#110) was born on June 28, 1960, and Richard (#111) was born on September 5, 1962. None of these are married at this writing. Gwendolyn (#55) and Will were divorced in February of 1973. Gwendolyn was remarried to Karl Kearse on July 28, 1973. They have no children at this writing. Joseph Lee (#56) was born on March 26, 1938, married Joyce Harper on June 5, 1964, and they have three (3) children; Angelia (#112), Vickie (#113) and Jodie Lee (#114). Angelia was born on January 23, 1966. Vickie was born on December 5, 1969, and Jodie Lee was born on June 24, 1975. Ronald Kay (#57) was born on September 25, 1941, married Diane

Del Fusco on August 2, 1969, and they have one child; Matthew Paul was born on April 1, 1974.

3. Harold Zeiglar (#29) was born on February 27, 1910, married Lottie Mae Sanders on July 12, 1931, and they had two (2) children; Dolly Dean (#58) was born on April 27, 1932, married Edwin L. Kennedy on August 17, 1952, and they have three (3) children; Edwin Lyle (#116) was born on November 5, 1953. Edwin was born in Turkey and is a graduate of West Point. Catherine Dean (#117) was born on December 16, 1954, in Hawaii and is a senior at the University of Hawaii at this writing. David Beard (#118) was born on October 6, 1959, in West Point, New York and is a senior in high school in Hawaii at this writing. None of the above children are married to my knowledge at this writing. Edwin L. Kennedy is presently a Brig. General in the Army Of The United States. Harold Ray (#59) was born on January 7, 1934, married Oleta D. Hall on March 4, 1955, and they have three (3) children; Harold Ray, Jr. (#119) was born on February 17, 1956, and is a senior at the University of South Carolina at this writing. Kenneth Hall (#120) was born on February 10, 1960, and is a high school senior at this writing. Anthony Rhett (#121) was born on February 17, 1961. None of the above are married to my knowledge at this writing. Harold Zeiglar (#29) was killed in an automobile accident on January 2, 1938, at the early age of 27 years. His widow, Lottie, after some time married Retired Lt. Colonel Donald Teft. They were married September 4, 1958; they have no children and reside in Columbia, South Carolina.
4. Joseph Clyde, Jr. (#30) was born on May 5, 1919, married Jane McCoy on May 19, 1943, and they have one (1) son; Robert Jamie (#60) was born on February 16, 1953, and he is not married at this writing. They reside in California.

Billy Wilson Beard (#20) was born on September 11, 1887, and married Lottie Marie Clayton on February 2, 1918, and they had three (3) sons; Francis Willard (#31), Wilson Earl (#32) and James Bill (#33), traditional to the William E. Beard family. Their chief vocation was farming, although carpentry was one of Billy Wilson's side-line jobs. They resided at the old home place and his mother, Rebecca Ann B. Chisom lived with them or they with her, until her death in 1922. They were active in church, community and political affairs. Billy Wilson served as County Commissioner of the Lower District for a number of years, even after having lost both of his legs just below the knees as a result of an infection, diagnosed as Burger Disease. This occurred when he was fifty-two (52) years old. He died in the Tri-County Hospital in Orangeburg, South Carolina on April 22, 1948, of a bloodstream infection. He would have been sixty-one (61) years old in September, 1948. His wife, my mother, Lottie, still resides at the old home place. She will be eighty-four (84) years old come November, 1978.

1. Francis Willard (#31) was born on November 26, 1915, married Helen Brabham on August 27, 1937, and they have two (2) sons; Willard Rodney (#61) and Francis Douglas (#62). Willard Rodney (#61) was born September 21, 1945, and married Sarah Francis Inabinet on September 29, 1964, and they have one (1) daughter; Angela Maurece (#122) was born February 4, 1966, and is a student in the Aiken, South Carolina schools where they live. Francis Douglas (#62) was born on October 15, 1950, married Ilene Sloan on April , 1969, and they have two (2) children; Suzanne (#123) was born on January 23, 1975, and Stephanie was born on February , 1977. They live in the Summerville, South Carolina area.

2. Wilson Earl (#32) was born on November 29, 1917, and married Sarah Virginia Jones on November 23, 1941, and they have four (4) children; Emma Marie (#63), Wilson Earl, Jr. (#64), Cydney Lynn (#65) and Virginia Claire (#66). Emma Marie was born on August 3, 1943, and married Marvi Dean Moore on November 11, 1961, and they have three (3) children; Darrin

Scott (#125) was born on November 7, 1966. Deanne Phillips (#126) was born on September 21, 1970. Debra Marie (#127) was born on August 3, 1972. They live in Dallas, Texas and the children attend school in the Farmer's Branch Area. Marvi is employed by Frito-Laye Company. Marvi is a graduate of Clemson University, Masters from Clemson and Doctrate from the University of Maryland. Wilson E. Jr. (Buddy) (#64) was born on June 19, 1947, and married Donna Weathers on June 1, 1969, and they have two (2) children; William Robert (#128) was born on June 16, 1974, and Shannon Lynn (#129) was born on August 20, 1977. Buddy is a graduate of The Citadel and Donna is a graduate of Winthrop College. Cydney Lynn (#65) was born on August 27, 1955, married William G. Kastner on

November 23, 1974. William is a graduate of The Citadel and is in the United States Army. Virginia Claire (#66) was born on December 31, 1959.

She is a senior in high school at this writing, *Rev. 12/28/82 Tissy Anne 3 CHILDREN LISTED IN BACK - REED, KATIE & ROSS*  
*RE: 2/18/84 MARRIED JOHN VENEZIANO 10/25/1980 - CITADEL*  
*GRADUATE & IS IN U.S. AIR FORCE - They have 1 son JOHN WILSON born 6/27/82*

3. James Billy (#33) was born on April 25, 1920, married to Hannah Elizabeth Clayton on April 27, 1941, and they have three (3) children; Jane Elizabeth (#67), Anna Laurine (#68) and James Patrick (#69). Jane Elizabeth (#67) was born on September 7, 1943, married Herbert Crosby on \_\_\_\_\_, and they have three children; William Clemmy (#130) was born on April 9, 1966, Joseph Wayne (#131) was born on June 31, 1967, Michelle Lynn (#132) was born in December, 1968. They live in Woodstock, Georgia and the children are in school there. Herbert was killed in an automobile accident (train) near Canady's Crossroads on June 3, 1968. After some time Jane married Harold Miller on June 20, 1970, and they have no children, but he has adopted her children. Anna Laurine (#68) was born on March 9, 1949, married Richard George Varnadoe on February 30, 1973, and they have no children at this writing. Laurine is a graduate of the University of South Carolina and has a Masters Degree in

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Education. James Patrick (#69) was born on August 31, 1950, married Helen Kinard on October 21, 1969, and they have two (2) children; James Micheal (#133) was born on May 19, 1973, and Stephen Patrick (#134) was born on April 26, 1976.

There are many and varied stories and accomplishments of many of the descendents of William E. and Rebecca Ann Beard, I'm sure, but in fairness to all, I will not attempt to relate any of the few that I'm aware of.

This brief history shows how families can pyramid and in just a few years can get completely out of what I like to call, A Family Circle. From the uniting of William E. and Rebecca Ann, just a little over one hundred (100) years, we can see how this family has multiplied, from two (2) to one-hundred and seventy (170) or more. The descendents are spread throughout this United States and in some foreign countries. Their vocations and life styles vary in many instances. I'm sure, that in the many fields of endeavors there have been many services rendered to mankind, which is or should be our goal in life; "Service First To God Then To Man". It is my hope that even though we may be separated by many miles we can all share in one common goal by abiding by The Golden Rule. I know of nothing that will give us better sense of satisfaction than by "Doing Unto Others As We Would That They Should Do Unto Us". Many of us most probably will never meet, but there is a tie that binds us together as being descendents of William E. and Rebecca Ann Beard.



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<u>BEARD FAMILY MEMBER</u>	<u>BORN</u>	<u>DIED</u>	<u>MARRIED</u>	<u>TO WHOM MARRIED</u>	<u>BORN</u>	<u>DIED</u>
<u>1ST GENERATION</u>						
William Beard	1/19/1784	8/18/1851	-----	Jerusha Jourdon	4/26/1728	10/12/1835

2ND GENERATION

"CHILDREN OF WILLIAM (#1) AND JERUSHA BEARD"

Sarah (Sally) Beard	2/13/1808	2/17/1892	-----	Rev. Peter Rentz	1804	11/16/1873
Priscilla Beard	11/21/1818	8/21/1894	-----	John Clayton	8/21/1814	3/15/1890
James W. Beard	2/16/1825	5/19/1884	-----	Mary Rentz	1/23/1827	4/20/1916
H. Duncan Beard	4/6/1827	5/1/1911	-----	Rebecca Rentz	9/14/1825	1/12/1895
Thomas Beard	-----	-----	-----	Miss Breeland & Miss Chitty	-----	-----
John Beard	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Lizzie Beard	-----	-----	-----	Hansford Varn	-----	-----
Anna Beard	-----	-----	-----	Gabriel Miller	-----	-----

3RD GENERATION

"CHILDREN OF JAMES W. (#4) AND MARY R. BEARD"

George W. Beard	10/12/1846	1/23/1918	-----	Lucia Smoak	4/8/1849	9/6/1935
Peter C. Beard	10/12/1848	1/14/1888	-----	Rebecca J. Smoak	12/11/1852	10/30/1884
Sudie Beard	11/21/1852	-----	-----	Jim Brown	-----	-----
Ursula Beard	11/21/1852	7/27/1921	-----	Josiah Brooks Aull	8/6/1857	3/8/1927
William E. Beard	2/8/1853	3/2/1901	1876	Rebecca Ann Lowry	9/20/1860	1/24/1922
Charlie Beard	-----	-----	-----	Ida Boynton	-----	-----
Beckie Beard	-----	-----	-----	Lize O'Quinn	-----	-----
Emma Beard	-----	-----	(Died at a very early age)	-----	-----	-----

4TH GENERATION

"CHILDREN OF WILLIAM E. (#14) AND REBECCA ANN BEARD"

Henry Ward Beecher Beard	6/2/1879	3/27/1945	-----	(1) Bridgette Isabelle Godbee	9/14/1878	3/14/1940
Joseph Clyde Cleveland Beard	9/12/1884	/ /1946	1/1/1905	(2) Birdie Langsdale	-----	-----
Billy Wilson Beard	9/11/1887	4/22/1948	2/2/1913	Harriette Ann Zeiglar	10/1/1887	-----
Essie Sandifer (Adopted)	-----	/ /1960	-----	Lottie Marie Clayton	11/26/1894	-----
				Emery Williams	-----	-----

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"CHILDREN OF HENRY W. (#18) AND BRIDGETTE I. BEARD"

Homer Godbee (Daughter of Biddy) —				Leland F. Sandifer		
Eugenia Beryl Beard	3/20/1902		1/6/1921	Edward A. Wilkowski	1/6/1896	1/13/1947
Nell Gwynn Beard	7/11/1905		5/15/1926	Robert Taylor Abanathy, Jr.	8/19/1903	7/15/1972
Henry Granite Beard	8/26/1908	1/3/1965	8/29/1926	Rossie Gray	9/9/1909	
Jessie Belle Beard	5/16/1914		6/8/1929 (1)	David Guy Graham, Sr.	9/1/1913	
			8/31/1944 (2)	Edward Joseph Lazicki	5/11/1910	

"CHILDREN OF JOSEPH C. (#19) AND ANNIE Z. BEARD"

Aileen Beard	8/23/1906		11/11/1923 (1)	Claude Kirkland		2/19/1962
			1/19/1964 (2)	Jack C. Kirkland		12/21/1966
Hermine Beard	8/11/1908		12/23/1928	Perry Lee McMillan	9/30/1896	
Harold Zeiglar Beard	2/27/1910		7/12/1931	Lottie Mae Sanders	1/4/1915	
Joseph C. Beard, Jr.	5/7/1919		5/19/1943	Jane McCoy		

"CHILDREN OF BILLY W. (#20) AND LOTTIE C. BEARD"

Francis Willard Beard	11/26/1915		8/27/1937	Helen Brabham	1/17/1919	
Wilson Earl Beard, Sr.	11/29/1917		11/23/1941	Sarah Virginia Jones	9/23/1921	
James Billy Beard	4/25/1920		4/27/1941	Hannah Elizabeth Clayton	11/26/1920	

6 T H   G E N E R A T I O N

"CHILDREN OF HOMER GODBEE (#22) AND LELAND F. SANDIFER"

Leland F. Sandifer, Jr.  
Homer Virgil Sandifer  
Winfred Sandifer

"CHILDREN OF EUGINIA BERYL (#23) AND EDWARD A. WILKOWSKI"

Margrett Louise Wilkowski	11/13/1922	12/24/1941	Daniel Rush Matheny
Edward Albert Wilkowski, Jr.	2/16/1927		Jeunette McAlhany
John Henry Wilkowski	3/22/1932		

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"CHILDREN OF NELL GWYNN (#24) AND ROBERT TAYLOR ABANATHY, JR."

Ethel Gene Abanathy	2/14/1928		6/27/1952	Marshall White Graham, Jr.	
Robert Taylor Abanathy, III	11/23/1932		6/7/1954	Nancy Sue Riggs	

"CHILDREN OF HENRY GRANITE (#25) AND ROSSIE GRAY BEARD"

Virginia Belle Beard	3/14/1928		4/15/1948	Robert Watson Kemp, Jr.	3/3/1922
Johnnie Ann Beard	4/24/1930		8/26/1949	Ralph Fulmer Smoak	5/20/1930
Henry Granite Beard, Jr.	2/5/1938		6/13/1964	Nancy Elizabeth Taylor	3/3/1943
Rosyln Jean Beard				Richard Early	

1ST - "CHILDREN OF JESSIE BELLE (#26) AND DAVID GUYE GRAHAM"

2ND - "CHILDREN OF JESSIE BELLE (#26) AND EDWARD JOSEPH LAZICKI"

Ann Colleen Graham - 1st	10/11/1930		2/12/1949	Patrick Norman McGinnis	
David Guye Graham, Jr. - 1st	7/23/1937		6/18/1954	Shirley Mae Schilling	
Patricia Dianne Lazicki - 2nd	5/8/1945			Robert Lawrence Blitch	12/20/1943
Joseph Charles Lazicki - 2nd	1/9/1947	3/2/1970	(Died in Vietnam War)		
Theodore Ward Lazicki - 2nd	7/2/1953				

"CHILDREN OF AILEEN (#27) AND CLAUDE KIRKLAND"

Laura Ann Kirkland	4/27/1927		1/5/1947	John Wesley McKettrick	
Barbara Allen Kirkland	8/2/1928		9/ /1949	Clement Elkins Ackerman	
Claudia Jean Kirkland	6/2/1945		9/5/1964	(1) Danny Overstreet	
			1/4/1974	(2) Heyward Sandifer	

"CHILDREN OF HERMINE (#28) AND PERRY LEE MCMILLAN"

Harriett Elizabeth McMillan	5/2/1930		6/28/1951	Benjie Hare	11/11/1926
Gwendolyn McMillan	7/16/1932		1953	(1) Will Cross	
			7/28/1973	(2) Karl Kearse	
Joseph Lee McMillan	3/26/1938		6/5/1964	Joyce Harper	5/28/1944
Ronald Kay McMillan	9/25/1941		8/2/1969	Diane Del Fusco	10/9/1947

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"CHILDREN OF HAROLD ZEIGLAR (#29) AND LOTTIE MAE BEARD"

Dolly Dean Beard	4/27/1932	8/17/1952	Edwin L. Kennedy	
Harold Ray Beard	1/7/1934	3/4/1945	Oleta D. Hall	4/13/1945

"CHILDREN OF JOSEPH CLYDE (#30) AND JANE M. BEARD, JR."

Robert Jamie Beard      2/16/1953

"CHILDREN OF FRANCIS WILLARD (#31) AND HELEN B. BEARD"

Willard Rodney Beard	9/21/1945	9/29/1964	Sarah Frances Inabinet	12/7/1948
Francis Douglas Beard	10/15/1950	4/ /1969	Irene Sloane	6/15/1952

"CHILDREN OF WILSON EARL (#32) AND SARAH VIRGINIA BEARD"

Emma Marie Beard	8/3/1943	11/10/1961	Marvi Dean Moore	11/10/1939
Wilson Earl Beard, Jr.	6/19/1947	6/1/1969	Donna Lee Weathers	8/13/1947
Cydney Lynn Beard	8/27/1955	11/23/1974	William George Kastner	7/17/1952
Virginia Claire Beard	12/31/1959	10/25/1980	JOHN VENEZIANO	8/12/1958

"CHILDREN OF JAMES BILLY (#33) AND HANNAH ELIZABETH BEARD"

Jane Elizabeth Beard	9/7/1943		(1) Herbert Crosby	6/3/1969
		6/20/1970	(2) Harold Miller	2/8/1943
Anna Laurine Beard	3/9/1949	12/30/1973	Richard George Varnadoe	2/4/1948
James Patrick Beard	8/31/1950	10/28/1969	Helen Kinard	3/14/1949

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"CHILDREN OF LELAND F. SANDIFER (#34)"

"CHILDREN OF HOMER VIRGIL SANDIFER (#35)"

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7TH GENERATION      (Continued)

"CHILDREN OF VIRGINIA BELLE (#42) AND ROBERT WATSON KEMP, JR."

Phyllis Ann Kemp	11/4/1948		1/4/1969	Gustavus Eugene Schwarting, Jr.	2/9/1947
Robert Henry Kemp	3/27/1951		6/25/1971	Virginia Stuart Carrol	11/28/1952
William Steven Kemp	6/21/1954				
Nancy Virginia Kemp	12/16/1956				
James Fredrick Kemp	10/14/1060				
Richard Gray Kemp	8/10/1964				

"CHILDREN OF JOHNNIE ANN (#43) AND RALPH FULMER SMOAK"

Brenda Gayle Smoak	12/18/1950		6/7/1969	Charles Clifford Whitt	6/23/1948
Ralph Gregory Smoak	1/17/1953		6/10/1972	Pamela Louise Dean	2/20/1956
Cynthia Gene Smoak	6/7/1957			Demetrice Marvin Babb	6/21/1954
John Ward Smoak	9/6/1954				

"CHILDREN OF HENRY GRANITE (#44) AND NANCY ELIZABETH T. HEARD, JR."

Robert Eric Beard	10/28/1964				
Sandra Jean Beard	7/17/1966				
Bridgett Elizabeth Beard	1/19/1973				

"CHILDREN OF ROSYLN JEAN (#45) AND RICHARD EARLY"

"CHILDREN OF ANN COLLEEN (#46) AND PATRICK NORMAN MCGINNIS"

Sandra Lynn McGinnis	10/6/1951		5/19/1973	Gary Gordon Bryan	
Catherine Colleen McGinnis	12/15/1952		10/23/1970	James Thomas Andrews, Jr.	
Mary Jane McGinnis	3/26/1955			Henry Eugene Edwards, Jr.	
Patrick Shawn McGinnis	2/10/1957				
Timothy Graham McGinnis	6/8/1958				

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7TH GENERATION (Continued)

"CHILDREN OF HARRIETT ELIZABETH (#54) AND BENJIE HARE"

7 Ben Hare 12/8/1958  
 8 Jon Hare 2/4/1960

1ST- "CHILDREN OF GWENDOLYN (#55) AND WILL CROSS"  
 2ND - "CHILDREN OF GWENDOLYN (#55) AND KARL KEARSE"

9 Nancy Lynn Cross 11/ /1956 APPROX 1957  
 0 Lee Ann Cross 6/28/1960  
 1 Richard Cross 9/5/1962

"CHILDREN OF JOSEPH LEE (#56) AND JOYCE H. MCMILLAN"

2 Angelia McMillan 1/23/1966  
 3 Vickie McMillan 12/5/1969  
 4 Jodie Lee McMillan 6/24/1975

"CHILDREN OF RONALD KAY (#57) AND DIANE D.F. MCMILLAN"

5 Matthew Paul McMillan 4/1/1974

"CHILDREN OF DOLLY DEAN (#58) AND EDWIN L. KENNEDY"

5 Edwin Lyle Kennedy, Jr. 11/5/1953  
 7 Catherine Dean Kennedy 12/16/1954  
 3 David Beard Kennedy 10/6/1959

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7TH GENERATION (Continued)

"CHILDREN OF CYDNEY LYNN (#65) AND WILLIAM GEORGE KASTNER"

WILLIAM REED KASTNER	12/1/79
KATHRINE LEIGH KASTNER	10/24/81
ROSS MICHAEL KASTNER	10/6/83

"CHILDREN OF VIRGINIA CLAIRE BEARD (#66)"

JOHN WILSON VENEZIANO	2/28/82
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"CHILDREN OF JANE ELIZABETH (#67) AND HAROLD MILLER"

#30 William Glemmy Miller	4/9/1966
#31 Joseph Wayne Miller	6/31/1967
#32 Michelle Lynn Miller	12/19/1968

"CHILDREN OF ANNA LAURINE (#68) AND RICHARD GEORGE VARNADOE"

#148 - RICHARD ALAN VARNADOE - 3/4/1979

"CHILDREN OF JAMES PATRICK (#69) AND HELEN K. BEARD"

#133 James Michael Beard	5/19/1972
#134 Steven Patrick Beard	4/26/1976
#149 - REBECCA ANN BEARD	3/17/1980



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"CHILDREN OF BRENDA GAYLE (#84) AND CHARLES CLIFFORD WHITT"

0 Ann Michelle Whitt 6/25/1970  
 1 Joseph Fulmer Whitt 2/15/1973  
 2 Jennifer Diane Whitt 6/5/1975

"CHILDREN OF RALPH GREGORY (#85) AND PAMELA LOUISE SMOAK"

3 Brandy Lynn Smoak 8/12/1974

"CHILDREN OF CYNTHIA GENE (#86) AND DEMETRICE MARVIN BABB"

4 Tina Marie Babb 6/3/1975

THE BEARD FAMILY RECORDS  
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8TH GENERATION      (Continued)

"CHILDREN OF GERALD WESLEY (#104) AND JEAN WINIFRED MCKETTRICK"

Ronald Wesley McKettrick	5/5/1971
Stephen Wayne McKettrick	1/16/1974

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