

Notes for Robert:

Benjamin Chaplin, Jr. born between 1760 + 1766
died between 1815 + 1819

In 1815 he deeded family land — that he bought back at a sheriff's sale — to his 3 daughters (Lavinia, Cecilia + Martha Sarah). His bachelor's brother, John, lived on it until his death in 1826 after which his sister's (Ann Adams) children sued for half of it — but lost the case.

In Sept. 1819 there is a newspaper account of the marriage of Cecilia to Wm. Benjamin Oswald and it identifies her as "daughter of the late Benjamin Chaplin, Sr."

The above would seem to indicate to me that he did have a son, Benjamin S. Chaplin to whom he had probably already given some land.

Also it appears to me that he probably was in ill health in 1815 and was getting his affairs in order — but died before he

could draw up a will. For that reason,
I tend to think he died in 1815 or early
1816, — rather than near 1819.

Now — to find out who were his
wife's parents!! ~~where~~!! Am afraid
I will go to my grave still search-
ing for them!!

What do you think? At least I'm glad
to know approximately when he was
born and when he died.

Robert, Lavinia and Cecilia were
born in the month of October so —
according to Lavinia's tombstone — if
she died in April of 1868 at age
64 she would have ^{of 1868} turned 64
in the previous October, right? There-
fore, she and Cecilia were born
in 1803, don't you think? This
seems correct to me.

So much for the latest on the
Chaplins! — now back to the Reynolds.