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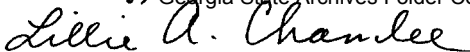
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Dear Ms. Auclair; www.georgiapioneers.com

I hope that I am not being presumptuous in sending this, my fourth genealogical effort, to the Archives. You kindly accepted the ARCHERS, PEELERS and BOYERS and I hope the CHAMBLEES will be acceptable.

Thank you,

Sincerely, Georgia State Archives Folder Collection

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lillie A. Chamlee". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name.

Lillie A. Chamlee

Perhaps the most authentic information concerning the Chamblee Family, has come from Mrs. Alta Martin Humphrey, of Bainbridge Georgia, who is a great great granddaughter of our progenitor, William Chamblee (1780-185). She has researched this family for many years and documented her findings. In 1937 she talked at length with her grandfather, William Franklin Chamblee (1847-1939) who was able to give her valuable first hand information. She has deposited folders on the Chamblee and Martin Families in the Department of Archives and History, Atlanta, Georgia. In the Chamblee folder is a photo copy of the personal records contained in the Jacob Chamblee Family Bible, which is now in possession of a descendant of William Chamblee (1780-185). Mrs. Humphrey wrote, "It is thought that the father of William Chamblee (1780-185) was Jacob Chamblee who was born Jan. 25, 1752. The Bible in which this record was found was printed in Edinburgh in 1771. We do not know that Jacob Chamblee was born in Scotland."

From another source, This 'n That, History of Hall County, Georgia by Sybil Wood McRay, page 57- "According to other family records, Jacob Chamblee was born in Edinburg, Scotland and came to America. He settled first in Virginia and then migrated south and became a land owner in Anderson, South Carolina. He had at least two sons; George Washington Chamblee, who became a resident of Hall County shortly after 1820. He married Christiana Adeline Tanner. He died in 1865 and is buried on his land known as 'Thompson Mill' lower Hall County. George Washington Chamblee was enumerated in the 1800 census of Anderson County, S.C. He and his wife were parents of Elizabeth,

L'vinia, Crissie, and Nysie."

The second son of Jacob Chamblee, William Chamblee (1780-185) was born in Tennessee, and is the progenitor of this Chamblee Genealogy. He married Dorcas Sego, or Seay, in 1806. She was born in South Carolina. William Chamblee was enumerated in the 1850 census of Cherokee County, Georgia. A son, Enoch, age 20, was living with in the home as was Elaine Seays (?) age 87, born in North Carolina. The 1820 census listed the family in Hall county, and it is believed that they moved to Cherokee around 1834 or '35. There were six sons and four daughters in the family.

An affidavit, made by William Franklin Chamblee, referred to in Hall County History, This 'n That, "deposes and says that there were six Chamblee (Chamlee, Shamblee, Shambly) brothers who came to this country; four settled in Virginia and two in South Carolina near Spartanburg."

I am in correspondence with Mr. Bayard V. Chamblee of Hickory N.C. who gives this information about early Chamblees. "About 1770 three Chamblee brothers, Jacob, William and Robin came to America from Ireland or England and located in Virginia. Later Jacob moved to South Carolina and Robin to North Carolina (Wake County), presumably as his children lived near what is now Zebulon. One son located in Guilford County, North Carolina. Mr. Bayard V. Chamblee is the great great grandson of Robin Chamblee who located in North Carolina. He further states that Jacob Chamblee, who moved to South Carolina, apparently located in or near Anderson.

A history of Anderson County S.C., Traditions and History of Anderson County by Louise Ayer Vandiver, page 146, gives an account of Sarah Chamblee who must be some relation to Jacob. "One of the oldest and most numerous families in the County is that of Burriass.-----The first of the name to come to Anderson County was Joshua, born in Virginia in 1724. He moved to South Carolina in 1776. His wife was Sarah Chamblee, and they lived not far from where Gluck Mill is now located. They were the parents of seven children, all of whom settled on land given them by their father on Generostee Creek. The names of Joshua Burris' children with the names of the men and women they married: Elisha married Margaret Greenlee; Elizabeth born 1768 married Asa Castleberry in 1796; James born 1776 married Susan Cain in 1794; John born 1776 married Elizabeth Davis in 1796; Mary Burrus, born 1778 married LEWIS CHAMBLEE in 1798; Thomas born 1782, married Jane Davis in 1800; Nancy, born 1794, married Silas Massey in 1812.----- Joshua Burris became a man of wealth. On his arrival in what

The Chamblee Family

For some reason the member of our family who might have obtained information about the history of our family failed to record much of the records we would like to have. The little that we know was evidently obtained by Uncle Sigma and Aunt Minda (Mrs. Hankins of Winston Salem) sent a copy of it to some and it came to me. That information is valuable, incomplete as it is. A copy of it will be included in this report.

Our Grandfather, William Bryant Chamblee, was married twice. The first wife was Martha Hardy. Their children were Miley C., Harriett, Mattie, May and William Hardy, our father.

The second wife was Nancy Griffin. Their children were; Mike, Rocher, Sigma, Minda, Patty and Johnny. Aunt Minda was the last of both families to die. She was Ninety-six years old.

Our Grandfather owned a great deal of land. He deeded the farm that our father owned to him, possibly, on his twenty-first birthday and he lived on it for about two years, preparing his own meals etc. before marrying the girl he was in love with. He married Ella Etta ~~RICHARDSON~~ Richardson whose family lived near Wendell and were distant relatives.

Our Grandmother's parents were Josiah Richardson and Tempe Ann Anderson. He was one of twenty-five children to Applegate Richardson and one of his three wives. The members of our Grandmother's family were; Ella, Etta, Helen, Sally, Edward (Ed), Zeb, Joe and Mary. Our mother and her sister younger, Helen, were married in the home in a double ceremony. Aunt Helen married Dr. G.M. Bell and they lived in the small town of Wakefield. Their children and the children in our family attended the same school in Wakefield.

Our family lived in the not too productive farm and everyone was required to help with the farm or house work as soon as they were old enough. The work was hard and there were few luxuries, but there was abundant love and pride. Our parents did what they could to give us the best education possible. On account of the distance from school and there were always small ones, it was necessary for transportation to be provided. This consisted of a two seater carriage and a horse. We were fortunate in attending a good school.

The big problem was to attend some higher school after completing the local school. It is hard to realize that everyone of us did attend some college or its equivalent. Durward attended Draughan's Business College in Raleigh, Sister Clyde went to Baltimore, Maida to Oxford College in Oxford N.C., I (Bayard) attended Wake Forest College, Exum attended State College in Raleigh, Joe attended Wake Forest College and Medical College of Virginia, Estelle attended Westhampton (Woman's College of University of Richmond) and East Carolina, also Atlantic Christian College in Wilson, N.C., Mazelle attended the New England Conservatory of music in Boston. Don attended the U.N.C. School of Pharmacy. With money as scarce as it was, it would require a lot of research to learn how we managed.

Our Grandfather, William Bryant Chamblee, enlisted in a company that was recruited in eastern Wake County and Franklin County. He was offered a commission but refused, but did accept the sergeant's place. He later was commissioned a lieutenant. He served for four years in Lee's Army in Virginia and was wounded near the end of the war near Petersburg, Virginia. His leg never regained its full use as the result of the minie ball and, doubtless the poor medical care he received in the hospital in Richmond. He used a crutch the remainder of his life.

It will be only right to mention "Uncle Lem Chamblee" (slave). When Grandpa was leaving to establish a home for himself, his father told him to select one of the young boys to serve as his personal servant. He selected Lem and as long as he lived Lem was not only a faithful servant but a dear friend. When he went off for war he told Lem he was leaving all that he held dear and all that he owned in his care. Lem was faithful in everything. Our father was born while Grandpa was away and the wife, Martha, died and he arrived home on "compassionate leave" after her death.

Uncle Lem lived until his death on a farm Grandpa sold him cheap and all of the family honored him and as many as possible attended his funeral.

For several years we had a string band in our family. D.D. mandolin, Exum, violin, Joe banjo, Bayard, guitar. Every year we would go to "Uncle" Lem's house and play for him and his wife, which pleased him very much. He would proudly show us his picture and call our attention to the Masonic emblem on the lapel of his coat.

RECORD OF CHAMBLEE ANCESTRY AS COMPILED BY SIGMA V.T. CHAMBLEE

AND MINDA C. HANKINS

About 1770, three Chamblee brothers; Jacob, William and Robin came to America from Ireland or England and located in Virginia. Later Jacob moved to South Carolina and Robin

in what is now Anderson County, S.C. he bought land from James McCarley and the deed bears the date Oct. 4th 1795. At one time Joshua Burris owned as much land as now constitutes a township----- One of his daughters, Mary Burris Chamblee, owned the old Whitner place, which ~~Wadge~~ Whitner bought from Moses Chamblee, probably her son."

Another history, Journeys into the Past, The Anderson Region's Heritage by Frank A. Dickson, page 44, gives an interesting story concerning a Zadoc Chamblee. "Book S, pages 172-173 in the clerk of court's office at the courthouse, Anderson S.C. contains the report that Gambrell submitted on March 31, 1827: Agreeable to the direction of the commissioners appointed at the last session of the Legislature of the State of South Carolina to select a site for the public buildings in Anderson County, I have measured the land and I find that Manning Poole has 64 acres, Hezekiah Rice has 26½ acres, William Magee 23½ acres and ZADOC CHAMBLEE 10 acres, each parcel being represented in the above plat." The plat is on record in the courthouse showing approximately 124 acres, but 130 acres were actually purchased at \$4.62½ per acre.

There is another story about ZADOC CHAMBLEE related in the History. "Judge Whitner moved to Anderson in 1830. Out a little to the west of the new town lived a man named Zadoc Chamblee. His house, built of hewn logs and covered with oak boards, crowned a beautiful knoll. Judge Whitner bought the place, and used the strong log house as a nucleus for his own dwelling, which was considered a very fine mansion when completed. He weatherboarded over the logs, added rooms, piazzas and pillars, until the house assumed much its present appearance----- Mrs. Whitner, a flower lover, had the whole hill planted in roses, and named the place Rose Hill."

I can only assume that all these CHAMBLEE families, or at least, related families because of the spelling of the name, their coming from Virginia and all locating or passing through Anderson South Carolina.

KNOW YOUR NAME by John C. Downing, from Atlanta Constitution CHAMBLEE

This English place name was acquired from once having lived in Cholmondeley, pronounced Chumley, a township in Cheshire, or at Chulmleigh, a parish in Devon.

The Cheshire place was spelled Colmundeley in the 1086 Domesday Book and Chelemundeleg in 1287. The meaning is "Ceolmund's meadow." Ceolmund is probably an old English compound name incorporating the Danish Kola, a sea god, and the old German Mund "protection" and had the general meaning "protected by Kola". The Devon place carried the same meaning.

Hugh of Chelemundeleg was listed as living in Cheshire in 1283. Roger Chomley, 11th listed in the York Guild Rolls of 1493, was probably the son of Sir Richard Chomley. Thomas Cholmeley and Dorothy Bedle were issued a marriage license in London in 1566. Richard Cholmondeley of Eccleston, Cheshire, died in 1593. Edward, son of Henry Chomley was baptised in St. Dionis Backchurch, London 1650.

William Chombley and Susanna Chumby, widow, were buried in the St. Dionis Beck churchyard in 1668 and 1669 respectively. John Chumley and Alice Todd were married in St. George's Church, London 1720.

Burke's Genealogical Archives, Folio Collection, the various arms.

Robert Chamle or Chomle was living in Virginia in 1624. The spelling CHAMBLEE appears to be an American variation.

came to North Carolina(Wake County) presumably, as his children lived near what is now Zebulon. One son located in Guilford County,North Carolina.

Robin is my Great Grandfather(This is Bro.Sigma talking) and his son John my Grandfather. John married Olive Richardson, sister of Applewhite Richardson. Our Grandfather was the seventh child of theirs.

Robin's children; John,James,Jordan,William,and Bettie. John and Olive's Children;

Nancy married Brittain Pearce

Rayford " Elizabeth Wilker, later Mary Ray

Woodson " Reenie Bunn

Sallie " Redden Eatman

Piety " Matthew Johnson

Rilldie " Joe Wilder

WILLIAM BRYANT married Martha Hardy, later Nancy Griffin

Frances m Mike Whitley

Emily m _____ Hood (Last two added by Bayard V.Chamblee) End of record

Jacob who moved to South Carolina apparently located in or near Anderson. There are many Chamblees living there. I(Bayard) have met several people from that section and everyone spoke highly of these Chamblees. I met one, Fred , in Asheville who was from Anderson and was the S Superintendent of a large dairy farm. A lady living in Hickory and from Anderson said her Aunt married A Chamblee.

The brother,William Chamblee, is believed to have moved to Georgia. There are a great many Chamblees in Georgia and Alabama. One, a Dr.Chamblee, was President of Bessie Tift College in Forsyth Georgia, one of the two largest women's Colleges in Georgia. There is a town just outside of Atlanta to the north, named Chamblee. It is now essentially a part of Atlanta.

On account of the great number of Chamblees in Georgia and Alabama, it is possible that some other Chamblees came over from England and settled there. We have no record of such.

The following is copied from the Historiography of the "Chamblee Coat of Arms." The surname Chamblee appears to be locational in origin. It is believed that it is associated with the English meaning, "One who came from Chalmondelay." The most different spellings of the name are; Chambley, Chamblly and Chamley.

Another possibility is that the name migrated to the British Isles from France, where the name is both a family name and a place name.

Note: Quite by accident, through a mutual friend, I received the address of Mr. Bayard and followed up with a letter. He too is interested in genealogy, Chamblee genealogy in particular, and sent me in a few days the information found above. Am now in the process of getting our story to him. This is the way it is done.

Lillie Archer Chamlee (Mrs. George Tilmon Chamlee)
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William Chambley(1780-185) married Dorcas Sego(Seago) of South Carolina, whose father was Robert Sego (1754-1810)and,according to Dr.Aquila Chamlee,was a captain in the army of either 1812 or 1776. Since he died in 1810, it would have been the Revolutionary War. Her mother was Elender Wharton Sego(1764-185). The Segos came into North Carolina from Maryland and then on down to South Carolina about 1765 or 1770. Robert Sego died in Anderson County S.C. and it is thought that Elender Wharton Sego died in Cherokee County,Alabama, where she was living in the home of her son,Robert Sego.

William and Dorcas Sego Chambley had 10 children: Martin, Tillman(1809-1887), Jarrett,Robert, William, Enoch, twins Lucinda and Polly,Jeannetter, Dorcas. They lived in Hall County,Ga. and probably never owned a farm until after the Cherokee Purchase. He bought a home near Hickory Flat in Cherokee County,Ga. and was enumerated in that in the census of 1850. Living in the home was Enoch, age 20, and Elaine Seay(Sego) age 87,born in N.C.

I.WILLIAM CHAMBLEY 1780-185 m Dorcas Sego 1789-185 ♂ Were married in Pendleton Dist.S.C. around 1806

A.Martin Chamblee (1807-185) m Mary(Polly) Guthrie in Hall Co.Ga.

B.Tillman(Tilmon) Chamlee,b 11-22,1809. died 4-30- 1887 in Cherokee Co.Ga. m Kindness Breedlove Light 12-22-1830, She b 9-20-1808 d 3-29-1892 (See article Light's Ferry for Light Family genealogy. pg.)

The tale is that Tilmon and his bride,Kindness, moved to Cherokee Co. with mule,gun,frying pan, ax, and sheepskin blanket. He secured a tract of the Cherokee Strip land from the government, and added to it by purchase,eventually becoming the owner of a valuable farm. He was appointed U.S.Judge of the Inferior Court of the District, and thus became its youngest judge.www.georgiapioneers.com

Tilmon Chamlee--1841-1843;1855-1857

1857-1860;1861-1865 (Hist.Cherokee Co.-Marlin)

It is told that the Chamblee name lost its "B" due to the many signatures required in the execution of his official duties, in fact his name changed from Tillemont Chamblee to Tilmon Chamlee.

Tilmon Chamlee,the second child of William and Dorcas Sego Chamblee, was born near Walhalla S.C., 1809 and died in Cherokee Co.Ga.1887. Both he and Kindness were buried in the family cemetery on their old home place on the Ettewa River.

According to photostats sent to Dr.Aquila Chamlee,May 29,1962 by Fred Bell,the 10 children of this couple are as follows.

Purmellia Ann; Nancy Luvenia; Mary Caroline;Samanthia Emaline
GEORGE WASHINGTON; Lucinda Jane;Anne Vidaugh; William Franklin;
John Kellar; Kindness Breedlove.

- 1.Purmellia Ann Chamlee b 11-2-1831, d 12-5-1870. One source gives married to John Wayne,another to James B.Wayne. Information on this family came from Mrs.Jas.E.Owens,Madison Ga.,1972. Nancy Samuels,a genealogist and "Timmons relation" sent her the following information.Quoting from Mrs.Owen's letter.

"On a Milianne(Purmellia Ann) Chamlee Wayne and her family,who is a daughter of Tilmon and Kindness Light Chamlee.(From Texas census) I understand that she had two sisters(Must have been Mary Caroline mar. Mark Cantrell, and Ann Vidaugh mar.Sam Cantrell) who went to Texas to live, but I believe Miliann died in Ga. and her family later went to Texas.-----Miliann had her last child about 1869,census,. I would imagine she died in childbirth.Her husband, James B.Wayne, was in Young County Texas by 1877 as one of his daughters married there that year. I would

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guess he brought his family there to Texas, about the time other

Timmons folk came, about 1872---In Texas John B.Wayne married a widow, Mrs. M.J. Ross, in 1880 and she had two or three Ross children. The children of James B.Wayne and Meliamm Chamlee Wayne known to me are:

- a. Mary Earnestine b 1-30-1853, married Noble John Timmons, son of Samuel Timmons.
- b. Victoria Callie, married in 1877 in Young Co. Texas to Ga.
Matthew Brogdon.
- c. Emeline, married 1868 in Young Co. Texas, to Hansom Newman
- f. Thomas A. 1857 born (census) evidently married in Ga. to Susan A ?
- g. James b 1865 } The last three were living with father
- h. William b 1867 } and second wife in 1880
- i. Permella b 1869 }

Also living with James B.Wayne and 2nd wife in Young Co. Texas in 1880, was Cordelia Wayne, a granddaughter of James B.Wayne. Evidently he had a deceased son who left an orphan. This Cordelia was born in 1869, same age as her Aunt Permella. It's a miracle to have gotten word of Timmon's oldest child after about 150 years. Thanks to Mrs. Owen for passing it on.

2. (I B 2) Nancy Luvenia Chamlee b 11-7-1833, d 3-24-1898. Buried Shoal Creek cem. Cherokee Co. Ga. Married Miles N. Holden, Cherokee Co. Ga. His father Elijah Holden b S.C., mother, Mary Reece. Information from Family Bible, contributed by Mrs. Jas. E. Owen, Madison, Ga. Nov. 5, 1972

a. John Frank Holden b 8-13-1856 d Ensley Alabama. Married Amerdine Keeter, two other wives.

b. Mary Vidau b 5-18-1858 d 7-4-1858 Bur. Shoals Cr. Cem.

c. Kindness Light Holden b 5-6-1859, married William A. Wiley; Bur. Shoals Cr. Cem.

(1) George Tilmon Wiley

(2) William Warner Wiley

(3) Buena Vista Wiley married Frank Mitchell; lives in Canton Ga. has two daughters and a son.

(4) Miles Carter Wiley, www.georgiaplate.com--

(a) Nina Blanch Wiley married Edward A. George, Atlanta, Ga.

(b) Bobbie Wiley married Frank Temple, Hope Hull, Oklahoma

(c) Miles Carter Wiley Jr. Colonel U.S. Air Force, Vandenburg AFB California

There are 7 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren, 1972

Miles Carter Wiley married 2nd Mrs Harvey (Mary) Beall in Carrollton, Ga. He retired from Faculty, Emory University, Atlanta, Ga. 1960

In 1972 he was Ex. Sec. Chamber Commerce, Carrollton, Ga. His step-children

(a) Dr. Harvey Beall, Psychiatrist, Athens, Ga. Has 3 children

(b) Dr. Mary Beall Creamer, Faculty West Georgia College, Carrollton, Ga. Has 2 children

Information on Kindness Light Holden Family from Miles Carter Wiley Sr. Carrollton, Ga. 1972

d. Victoria Holden b 2-21-1861; married James Jones (James Smith Jones)

d 1917; Bur. Shoals Cr. Cem; Cherokee Co. Ga.

(1) William G. Jones 1879-1959

(2) Maud Jane Jones 1881-1958

(3) Miles Gordon Jones b 1883; Ballground, Ga.

(4) Luvenia Jones 1887

(5) Mary Beulah Jones, lives in Atlanta, works in hospital

(6) Ida 1900, married W. Merida Caldwell. Lives in Atlanta. Has 2 daughters

(7) Ona Savilla Jones 1903-1937

e. Miles Tilmon Holden b 8-4-1863 Cherokee Co. d 7-23-1945; Bur. Shoals Cr. Cem. 7-25-1945. Married Monterey Malinda Timmons b 11-3-1873 Cherokee Co. Ga.

d 10-23-1960; Bur. Shoals Cr. Cem. Her father William James Timmons, her mother, Malinda Taylor

(1) Oma Myrtle Holden b 5-3-1895 Cherokee Co. Ga. Married James E. Owens, lives in Madison Ga. Married James Erastus Owens 12-25-1915.

He b 12-15-1892, Jasper, Ga. His father, George Washington Owen and his mother Arrena Augusta Bennett.

(a) Mildred Willene Owen b 10-10-1918 at Locust Grove, Ga.

married Sabin Paul Landry Jr. 10-23-1942. He b 11-23-1916. Georgia State Archives Collection
their residence Louisville, Ky.

- (2) (I B 2 e(2) William Miles Holden b 5-11-1896, married Maude Almeda 7
 (3) Clemmie Eunice Holden b 12-3-1898, married Jefferson Mitchell
 Bur. (she) Shoals Cr. Cem. Sept 1902
 (4) Roy Tilmon Holden b 3-10-1900, Bur. Shoals Cr. Cem 2-10-1962
 (5) Huey Lester Holden b 11-12-1902, married Lelia Hasty
 (6) Ina. Monteree Holden b 11-3-1905, married Fred Wilbanks
 Living in Ballground, Ga. in 1972; widow
 (7) Jewell Holden b 6-8-1909, married Rembert Allison
 Information on Miles Tilmon Holden Family from Oma Myrtle Holden Owen,
 Authority-Family Bibles

f. Virginia Luvenia Holden b 11-30-1865; married Jefferson Smith; Bur Shoals Cr. Cem.

- (1) Ola Smith 1889
- (2) Oscar Smith b 1892 Lives in Palmetta, Fla.
- (3) Amos Young Smith 1894; Lives in Atlanta; Retired from Post Office
- (4) Irene Smith b 1896; Married Whitfield; Lives in Birmingham, Ala.
works in library
- (5) Lloyd Smith 1900-1950
- (6) Eva Smith b 1904; Married Charles Theodore Brock. Teaches in Fulton
Co. Schools and lives in Alpharetta, Ga.

g. Amos Young Holden b 9-18-1867; Married George Edwards; He bur. in Bartow, Ga.

h. Malinda A. Holden b 11-29-1869; Married Eli Howell of Copperhill, Tenn.

- (1) Rev. Howell Bell - Pastored First Bapt. Ch. Carrollton, Ga. around 1939
- i. George W. Holden b 4-19-1872; Married Georgia Mary Alexander. He bur. Bartow, Ga.
- j. Ida Holden b 3-18-1874; Married Rev. Lewis M. Ball; She bur. Ocilla, Ga.

3. Mary Caroline Chamlee b 19-18-1835 d 8-26-1882; married Mark Cantrell; Moved West;
 A sister, Ann Vidaugh Chamlee 1844-1886 married Sam Cantrell and also moved West

4. Samantha (Cinthy) Emaline Chamlee b 12-10-1837 d 2-8-1906; married Newt Wheeler

- a. John Wheeler (18)
- b. Vidaugh Wheeler (18) married Mr. Jones. Moved to Rome, Ga.
- c. Walter Wheeler (18)
- d. Callie Wheeler (18) married Alex McAfee; My husband, George Tilmon Chamlee
remembers her as friend of his mother, Alta Shelton Chamlee. They
corresponded and visited.
- e. Kindness Wheeler (18)
- f. Maud Wheeler (18) married Jack Spence
- g. Daisy Wheeler (18) married John Houghtower 1st, mar. 2nd ?
- h. Alice Wheeler (18)

5.(I.B.5) George Washington Chamlee b 4-3-1840 d 6-15-1923; Married Melinda Robertson 3-6-1862, she b 2-11-1844 d 6-19-1927. Lived at Keithsburg, Ga. 3 miles from Canton, Ga. Reared 13 children, one died in infancy. "Melinda Robertson Chamlee was the granddaughter of Charlie Lynch (Pickens C H, S.C.). Daughter, Eliza Lynch, b 4-14-1820 married John (Jack) Robertson b 1-27-1810, d 9-1-1884 and their daughter Melinda Robertson married George Washington Chamlee." This quote copied from record by son, G.W. Chamlee Jr. of Chattanooga, Tenn. for A.K. Robertson, May 20, 1907. Was included in material gotten together by Dr. Aquilla Chamlee.

See sketch of George Washington Chamlee 1840-1923 also

See sketch of George Washington Chamlee Family written by Grace Shelton Chamlee Kreisgman, Eustis, Fla. pages

a. Victoria Augusta Chamlee (1863-1945) married John Keith of Cherokee Co. Ga. They moved to California, their address 1609 Grove St., Selma Calif.

(1) Twin daughters, Callie and Fanny, died in 1918 flu epidemic.

(2) Goldie Keith. Her cousin, Benita Chamlee Taylor, daughter of Allen Keith Chamlee, visited her in 1974. She was in Lutheran Nursing Home in Selma Calif. She and her mother last visited Georgia around 1920, making their headquarters with brother, Allen Keith Chamlee, in Sparta, Ga.

b. John Bell Chamlee (1864-1945) married Nancy Lena Jones from near Emerson, Ga. Lived in Rome and Atlanta. Real Estate business.

(1) Louise Chamlee lived with her Aunt Luvenia Chamlee Johnston after the deaths of her parents.

c. Tilmon Perkins Chamlee b 1864, d 8-5-1902; married Alta Foster Shelton June 5, 1894 in Chattanooga, Tenn. where he was an attorney. She was born in Chattanooga, ~~Georgia~~ ^{Alabama} d 10-5-1930 in Eustis Fla. Tilmon and Alta Shelton Chamlee buried in Forest Hills Cemetery, Chatt. Tenn. The parents of Alta Chamlee were Azariah Shelton b 1-24-1850, Hamilton County, Tenn. and Harriet A. Carper. Azariah Shelton was the 2nd son of Crispin Eli Shelton Jr. and Nancy Walker Shelton.

See sketch of Tilmon Perkins Chamlee page

(1) Grace Shelton Chamlee b 6-11-1895 Chatt. Tenn., d 8-16-1976 in Eustis, Fla. Married Albert Owen Kreisgman in Eustis, Fla. He had Automobile Agency there. Their address 703 Poinsettia Ave. Eustis, Fla. Both buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Eustis, Fla.

(a) Albert Owen Kreisgman Jr. b 9-10-1917; Married 5-8-1942 to Winifred Gaylord b 10-29-1920 in Cranberry Lake N.Y. Owns Rambler-Jeep Agency, Leesburg, Fla. Resides at 327 Lakeview Ave. Eustis, Fla.

(aa) Albert Owen Kreisgman III b 3-29-1945

(bb) Ronald Earl Kreisgman b 2-16-1949

(b) George Chamlee Kreisgman b 10-26-1922; Married Rita Virginia Daniels b 10-22-1924 in Massachusetts. Reside at 1302 Center St. Eustis, Fla. Automotive Parts Supplier.

(aa) Rita Virginia Kreisgman b 12-29-1945; Married John J. McLaughlin 1-2-1967. He b 4-8-1939 in Penn. Lives at Altamont Springs, Fla.

(aaa) John Charles McLaughlin b 3-12-1968

(bbb) Mark Joseph McLaughlin b 3-12-1968

(bb) George Raymond Kreisgman b 10-7-1950

(cc) Grace Marie Kreisgman b 9-24-1956

(c) Kenneth Eugene Kreisgman b 1-17-1925 married 1950 in El Paso, Texas to Beth Waller. Divorced 1965. Married 12-25-1971 to Jean Rackman in El Paso, Texas. Resides in Houston, Texas. Pres. of Employment Agency.

(d) Joy Ann Kreisgeman b 8-5-1931; Married John D. Lane in Los Cruces N.M. 12-21-1955. He born 12-11-1928 in Lake Arthur N.M.; is V. Pres. First National Bank. Resides 810 Lake Gracie Drive, Eustis, Fla.

(e) Katherine Grace Kreisgeman b 9-27-1933, married William C. Riddle 8-26-1955 of Asheville N.C. Lives in Eustis Fla.

(2) George Tilmon Chamlee b 1-30-1898 Chattanooga Tenn. Baptist Minister. Married Lillie Archer 7-16-1929. She born 7-12-1905 in Hancock County, Georgia. Her father, James Harvey Archer b 11-3-1877, d 3-2-1969. Her mother, Bessie Harper Archer b 12-28-1875, d 1-7-1954. Both buried Balerma Baptist Church Cemetery, Hancock County, Ga.

(a) George Harvey Chamlee b 5-9-1930. Married Elizabeth Kinghorn, Beaufort S.C. 6-1-1966. She b 1-6-1941. Resides at 117 West Jones St. Savannah, Ga. Attorney

(aa) Mary Elizabeth Chamlee b 6-26-1970

(b) Tilmon Perkins Chamlee b 3-18-1933; Married Lelia Ann Barret of Fort Myers, Fla. She born 5-19-1935. Live at 186 Tucker Road, Macon, Ga. Architect

(aa) Katherine Anne Chamlee b 5-6-1962

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(bb) Alan Barret Chamlee b 4-23-1966

(c) Bessie Harper Chamlee b 5-28-1936; Married to Emmet Overton Cabaniss, Maxeys, Ga. 6-17-1962. He born 1-1-1933. Resides at Rt. 1, Stephens, Ga. Farmer-Dairyman

(aa) Doris Chamlee Cabaniss 4-3-1964

(bb) Christina Carmichael Cabaniss 9-23-1966

(cc) Emmet Overton Cabaniss 111 10-16-1971

(d) Lillie Archer Chamlee b 7-1-1938; Married Charles Booker Vick, Seawater, Ga. 1-1-1963. He born 9-15-1932 Address 320 Ashton Dr. Athens, Ga. Gov. Forest Researcher

(aa) Lillie Jinnette Vick b 6-28-1964

(bb) Charles Archer Vick b 10-28-1968

d. Nancy Luvenia Chamlee (1867-1949) Married John Henry Johnston, a teacher and minister. She was Post Mistress at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. for many years.

(1) Glenn Johnston married; one daughter who became a ballerina in N.Y. Glenn was in publishing business in N.Y. All three dead.

e. Dr. Aquilla Chamlee b 12-3-1869 d 1960? Married Mamie Louise Beck, daughter of Rev. Thomas Jefferson Beck and Elizabeth McKeever. Mamie Louise Chamlee died 1948; Both She and Aquilla Chamlee buried in Tennille, Ga. Cemetery as is their daughter, Mary Beck Chamlee, died age 2. Dr. Chamlee Minister, Educator, Pres. Bessie Tift College (1922-1938) Forsyth, Ga.

See sketch of Dr. Aquilla Chamlee page

(1) Mary Beck Chamlee died age 2

f. George Washington Chamlee Jr. b 1-30-1872; d 1-18-1958; Married Sallie Palmer of Charleston, Tenn. 11-2-1898; She born 7-26-1873 d 8-21-1951 Attorney, Chattanooga, Tenn.

See obituary page

(1) George Washington Chamlee 111 b 8-5-1901; Married Mary Alice Bruce, Dickson, Tenn. 6-10-1931. Attorney, Chattanooga, Tenn.

(a) Mary Bruce Chamlee b 10-31-1937; Married Lt. John Thomas Doyle Jr. Rossville, Ga.

(aa) Marye Margaret Doyle b 8-10-1963

(bb) John T. Doyle 111 b 9-21-1969

(b) Sallie Katherine Chamlee b 9-9-1944; Married Leroy E. Gibbs Jr. 6-24-1963, Chattanooga, Tenn.

(aa) Bruce Chamlee Gibbs b 2-15-1966

g. Robert L. Chamlee (1873-1918) Lawyer and lived in Rome, Georgia until his

health failed and his doctors sent him to Phoenix, Arizona, where he lived for many years. He and I carried on a correspondence and I think my love for that western country grew out of his letters. He never married." Written by Grace Shelton Chamlee Kreigsman. He is buried in Forest Hills, Cemetery, Chattanooga, Tenn.

h. Keller Franklin Chamlee (1875-1901) Attorney, Chattanooga, Tenn.
 "Also a lawyer and was a partner of his two brothers. He was so young to die-- was well liked by everyone-- a friendly young man. He never married." Written by Grace Shelton Chamlee Kreigsman.
 He is buried in Forest Hills Cemetery, Chattanooga, Tenn.

1. Allen Keith Chamlee b 8-10-1877 in Cherokee, Co. Ga., d 10-30-1948 Sparta, Ga. Married Berta Ivey b 1-12-1880, d 12-30-1958; Daughter of Rev. Benjamin Henry Ivey b 4-4-1848, d 8-1911 and Mattie Thompson Ivey b 10-26-1856, d 12-7-1886. Allen Keith Chamlee was merchant and farmer, Hancock Co. Ga. Both Allen Keith and Berta Ivey Chamlee buried in Sparta Cemetery.

See sketch of Allen Keith Chamlee, page

(1) Benita Chamlee b 1907. Married Malcolm Taylor, Pharmacist Live in Ft. Valley, Ga.

(a) Keith Chamlee Taylor b 12-29-1939, d 3-25-1959

(2) Venia Chamlee Retired Teacher, Mathematics Consultant for State Dept. Education. Lives in Ft. Valley, Ga.

j. Alexander Stephens (Beck) Chamlee (1879-1942) Born Cherokee, Co. Ga. Died in Bartow, Ga. Married Sue Warthen (1884-1968) of Sandersville Ga. Beck Chamlee lived at Bartow, Ga. was farmer and business man. Managed successfully, the political campaign of Dr. L.G. Hardman for Governor of Georgia, 1926.

(1) Alexander Stephens Chamlee b 1912. Married Gay McCrary in 1936. She born 1916.

(a) Albert Stephens (Al) Chamlee b 1937. Married 1967 to Paula Madelyn Creitz, Adrian, Texas. Journalist

(aa) Wendy Dawn Chamlee b 1971

k. Jerry Warner Chamlee (1881-1938) Canton, Ga. Married Nell Colquitt Michael, b 1884, of Monroe and Athens, Ga. Daughter of John Marion Michael and Alice Sherwood Wisw of Walton Co. Ga. Insurance

(1) Nell Sherwood Chamlee b 1913; Married William Schley Howard Jr. Attorney, Decatur, Ga.

(a) Lucia Colquitt Howard b 1943; Married Thomas Austin Sizemore, Decatur, Ga.

(aa) Julia Sherwood Sizemore b 1967

(bb) Laura Marie Sizemore b 1970

(b) Elinor duVingne Howard b 1946; Married Leslie Warren Cook, Roanoke Rapids, N.C. in 1969

(aa) William Alexander Cook b 1972

(2) Alice Melinda Chamlee b 1915; Married William Gibson Booth, Principal Woodstock School, Woodstock, Ga. 1972

(a) Michael Anne Booth b 1940; Married 1962, Thomas Shackleford IV of Athens, Ga.

(aa) Thomas Shackleford V b 1963

(3) Jerry Michael Chamlee b 1918; Married 1954 to Ruby Ann Dobbs, Canton, Ga.

(a) Jerry Michael Chamlee b 1956

(b) Caroline Chamlee b 1958

(4) Moina Anne Chamlee b 1923; Married 1942 to Walter Nims, Boston, Mass.

l. Malinda Chamlee (1883-1965 ?) Attended school in Chattanooga. Secretary for Red Cross, worked at State Capitol.

m. Emory Chamlee 1885-1886

May Chamlee (1888-1939) Kept house for those who were employed despite the fact that she was never very strong.

6. Lucinda Jane Chamlee b 11-14-1841 Died in childhood

7. Anne Vidaugh Chamlee b 12-19-1844, d 7-17-1886; Married Sam Cantrell, went to Texas to live.

- a. Millege Died in young manhood
- b. Charlie

8. William Franklin Chamlee b 4-11-1847, d 1939 Married Mary Bell (1853-1939) daughter of Thomas Reuben Bell and Serena Messer Bell. They lived their entire lives in Cherokee County, Georgia, where they owned and operated a prosperous farm on the Etowah River. Both are buried in the Ponder's Cemetery in Cherokee County, Ga. (All the children of George Washington Chamlee loved Uncle Frank and Aunt Mary. He is the Grandfather of Mrs. Humphrey and gave her first hand information concerning the Chamlees.)

- a. California Chamlee (18 , 19) Married Andrew Jackson Hansel Weaver.
- b. Ernestine (Tiny) Chamlee (18 , 19). Married David Blackwell, a doctor. Moved to Oklahoma. Divorced Blackwell, later married William Hutton of Elk City, Okla.

c. Charles Merida Chamlee (1873-19) Married Eunice Dyer of Adairsville, Georgia. Practiced medicine in Adairsville and Bartow County many years. Had two daughters b about 1895.

d. Thomas Clinton Chamlee (1874-1962). Married Lucy ? of Oklahoma. Was engaged in farming in Okla. for many years, but later sold this farm and moved his family to Dinuba, California, where he bought a ranch and was engaged in raising fruit for shipping until about 1958, when he retired.

e. Drucilla Cane Chamlee (1876-1949). Married William Virgil Martin of Gwinette County, Georgia. He was teacher and operated a farm. In 1906 they moved from Cherokee County to Tift County, Ga. Later he bought a farm in Decatur County, Georgia and moved his family there in 1919. Both died in Decatur County but are buried in Ponder's Cemetery in Cherokee County, Ga.

(These are the parents of Mrs. Humphrey. She has put folders on both the Martin and Chamlee Families in the Archives in Atlanta. Mrs. Alta Martin Humphrey is named for my husband's mother, Alta, Shelton Chamlee, Mrs. Tillmon Perkins Chamlee. I hope to meet Mrs. Humphrey sometime, we have corresponded for several years.)

f. William Franklin Chamlee Jr. born in Cherokee Co. Ga. 1878. Shortly after he went to Chattanooga, Tenn. to practice law, he married Irene Bush, of Chatt., daughter of Sam and Elizabeth Nail Bush. Her father was once Sheriff of Hamilton County and her brother, Nick Bush, also served as Sheriff. William Franklin Chamlee Jr. became prominent in law and politics, serving both as County Attorney and, Member of the Tenn. House of Representatives, and Counsel for the Electric Power Board. This family reared two nieces, Mrs. Hugh Hamill of Orlando, Fla., the former Barbara Bush, and Mrs. Robert Peak, of New Orleans, the former Betty Bush. A sister, Mrs. Cora Bush Skillern lives in Portland, Oregon.

(aa) Judge William Franklin Chamlee II b Chatt. Tenn. 5-8-1909 died at age 44, 11-8-1953. He and his father formed a law partnership, Chamlee and Chamlee, which remained in tact until the junior Chamlee took his place on the judiciary, where he served for 11 years. At the time of his death, he was Judge of the 2nd Division Circuit Court of Hamilton Co., Tenn. and a prominent leader in democratic circles of Tenn. His mother, Irene Bush Chamlee, died only a few months before. He is survived by his widow, Elizabeth Hall Chamlee, daughter Patricia

g. Kellar Chamlee (1880-1948) Unmarried

h. Carter Tate Chamlee (1882-195) Married Flara Authorholt of Cordell, Okla. In his young manhood he went to Oklahoma where he became engaged in extensive farming and ginning operations. He is buried in Cordell, Okla.

i. Byrd Isom Chamlee (188) Married Reba King of Adairsville, Ga. For many years he was general manager of the Rome Brick Company, and engaged in farming. He is now retired and lives on his farm near Adairsville, Ga.

j. Bertha Chamlee (188) Married James Allen Faulkner, a doctor in Cherokee County, Ga. She now lives with her son in Canton, Ga.

k. Guy Chamlee (1890 ?-1915. Unmarried. Soon after he finished college he went to California where he was employed as a Civil Engineer. Died of pneumonia in California. Buried in Poner's Cemetery in Cherokee County, Ga. (Mr. Miles Carter Wiley of Carrollton, Ga., told me that, quite by chance, he and Guy Chamlee found themselves in college together. Their grandparents were brother and sister. You figure the relationship.)

L. Roy Zebulon Chamlee (1893) Married Beulah Harrouff of Oklahoma. He is engaged in business and stock raising. Lives on his farm near Atlanta, Ga. They have a very talented son who is an artist, was a missionary, and is now a Ph D and teaches on the University level.

m. Edna Chamlee (1897-1962) Born in Cherokee County, Georgia. Married Mack A. Keith II of Cherokee. For many years they lived in Cherokee Co., but in recent years moved to Crestview where he was in Grocery business. She lived there at the time of her in April, 1962.

9. John Kellar Chamlee b 1-21-1891 www.georgiapioneers.com

10. Kindness Breedlove Chamlee b 12-8-1853, d 1892. Born and reared in Cherokee County, Ga. Married Thomas Bell, son of Thomas Reuben Bell and Serena Messer Bell. He was the brother of Mary Bell who married William Franklin Chamlee. For many they lived in Cherokee Co. moved to Worth County about 1905. There they owned and operated a large farm.

(In a letter to his soldier grandson, George Tilmon Chamlee b 1898, World War I Fort Bliss, written Sept. 16, 1918, George Washington Chamlee (1840-1923) wrote, "My sister, Tom Bell's wife, has got 9 living boys, this last conscript law got all of her nine. I don't know how many of my Brother Frank Chamlee will have to go but 6 I think." He was the oldest brother being 15 years older than Kindness Breedlove Chamlee Bell. Her son, Fred Bell, of Tifton Ga. sent the family births, copied from Bible, to Dr. Aquilla Chamlee. I am listing this family from that record.

Thomas Bell and K.B. Chamlee were married Aug. 22, 1872

Thomas Bell died Feb. 15, 1920, he was born Feb. 14, 1851

a. James L. Bell b 8-3-1873

b. John K. Bell b 4-3-1875

c. Swiler Bell b 11-6-1876

d. Andrew B. Bell b 11-18-1878

e. Cherokee D. Bell b 2-15-1881

f. Samuel W. Bell b 1-9-1883

g. Oscar W. Bell b 3-23-1885

h. Thomas T. Bell b 4-17-1887

i. FRED BELL b 1-22-1890

j. Cleopatra Bell b 12-28-1891

k. William F. Bell b 3-29-1894

l. Edward L. Bell b 1-25-1897

I.C. Jarrett Chamblee

D. Robert Chamblee

E. William Chamblee (18 ,) Married Annie Pugh of Cherokee Co. Ga.

1. James Chamblee (Twin of John Chamblee) Enlisted in Civil War, served entire duration.

a. John Wesley Chamblee (1875-1959) Married Mary Lucinda Manus of Cherokee Co. Ga.

(1) Drucilla Chamblee b 1902, Lives in Hapeville, Atlanta, Ga.

(2) Clara Chamblee b 1904, Lives in Hapeville, Atlanta, Ga.

(3) Alice Chamblee b 1909, Married Horace Fort
Lives in Hapeville, Atlanta, Ga.

(4) Floy Chamblee b 1915, Married Charles Scraggs,
Lives in Hapeville, Atlanta, Ga.

b. John Chamblee (Twin brother of James Chamblee)

F. Enoch Chamblee (Have been told that he was a huge man, and a small place near Atlanta was named Enoch for him.)

G. Mary Chamblee (Polly) b 1814; Married Henry H. Wheeler of Cherokee Co. Recorded in Hall Co Marriage Book as Mary Shamblee married Henry Wheeler by Thos. Hendrix J.P. 12-25-1832

H. Lucinda Chamblee b 1814 Twin of Mary above; In Marriage Book "Shamlee" married William Wayne 7-25-1833 by John Wayne M G.

I. Jeanetter Chamblee

J. Dorcas Chamblee (1821-1902) Married Sylvester Carr of Cherokee Co. Ga. Sylvester Carr died about the time he reached middle age, leaving his widow with ten children, ranging in age from 20 years down.

1. Tolliver (Dock) Carr (18 ,) Married Isabell Worley, daughter of William W. Worley, a Baptist minister who used to preach at Mt. Zion Church in Cherokee Co. Ga.

a. Anna Bell Carr (18 ,) Married Samuel Doak Allison in Okla.

(1) Maud Allison () Was living in Lakeland Fla. Box 722 in 1937. At some time during that year, she wrote to George Tilton Chamblee b 1898, asking for all Chamblee information he could give her. I found a letter from her in the Archives, Atlanta, Ga. written Feb. 3, 1937 and I quote from her letter. "A 92 year old aunt said Dorcas Seago married William Chamblee and William Chamblee's father was Jacob Chamblee." Also in the Archives was a Xeroxed copy from an old Bible record (very hard to read). Jacob Chamblee, born Jan. 26 day in year of our Lord 1752. This record probably contributed by Mrs. Humphrey. From Nancy Samuels, genealogist in Ft. Worth, Texas to Mrs. J.E. Owens, Madison, Ga. Granddaughter of Nancy Luvenia Chamblee (1833-1898). "A number of up-country S.C. people came into this area from Western N.C. This William 'Shamlee' whom I believe to have been your William Chamblee, who lived in the 1790's in Wilkes County, N.C. made affidavit in 1799 that on 29th day of Jan. 1799, he did see one Jacob Isaac bite off a piece of Thomas Whitten's left ear." This was for a case being tried in court." If it were our William, he would have been 19 years old.

The other 9 children of Dorcas Chamblee Carr not known.

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This fuller account of the WILLIAM FRANKLIN CHAMLEE-MARY BELL CHAMLEE line was sent to me by Alta Martin Humphrey.

William Franklin Chamlee was the 2nd son and 8th child of Tilman Chamlee and Kindness Breedlove Light Chamlee. He was born 4/11/1857 in Cherokee County, Georgia. On 12/8/1870 he married Mary Bell, daughter of Thomas Reuben Bell and Serenna Messer Bell. Mary Bell was born in 1853 and was sixteen years old when they were married. Thirteen children were born to this couple. Their children and descendants are as follows;

1. Malinda Californin (Fornie) Chamlee (1871-19--) Married Andrew Jackson Hansel Weaver, w who was a farmer.
 - a. Lillie Weaver married Gardner
(1) Thelma Gardner
 - b. Cordelia Weaver married Thompson
 - c. David Andrew Weaver 1895, married Elsie Jacobson. He is a licensed Baptist minister; has served as dean and taught in colleges in Illinois and Missouri. Retired and lives with his wife in Bolivar, Mo.
 - (1) David Andrew Weaver Jr. married, is Baptist Minister
 - (2) Walter Weaver, married
2. Ernestine Luvenia Chamlee (1872-1952) Married 1st David Blackwell, moved to Okla. Married 2nd William Hutton
 - a. Irene Blackwell (18 -1956. Married Wheeler. Lived in Oklahoma.
 - (1) Flora Wheeler
 - b. Flora Blackwell, 1895-196 .Reared in Oklahoma, married Cecil Baker of Hobart, Ok.
 - (1) William Baker (1922-1943) Killed in Europe during war.
 - (2) Betty Baker 1924 Married Robert Smith of Hobart, Okla.
 - (a) Anne Cormack Smith
 - (b) Mary Margaret Smith
 - (c) Susan Jane Smith
 - (3) Cormack Baker, www.georgiapioneers.com married, is a surgeon. Has two children
3. Charles Merida Chamlee (1873-19) Married Eunice Dyer of Adairsville, Ga. Was a doctor, practiced medicine until time of his death.
 - a. Mary Frances Chamlee 1902 Married Paul Gilbreath, Cartersville, Ga.
 - (1) Paul Gilbreath Jr. 1927
 - (2) Charles Gilbreath , Married. Dentist in Atlanta, Ga.
 - b. May Cliff Chamlee Married Gus Boaz of Calhoun, Ga. where they live. Teacher
 - (1) Elaine Boaz Lives in Calhoun and teaches
4. Thomas C. Chamlee 1874-1962. Reared in Ga. Later moved to Oklahoma where he met and married Lucy Craig. After several years in Okla., he moved to Dinuba, Calif. where he lived until his death. Was a farmer, growing and shipping California fruit.
 - a. Tilman Chamlee Married into a prominent family near San Diego.
 - (1) Anne Chamlee married Richard C. Payne. Lives in Bonita, Calif. Has five children
 - (2) Lucy Bell Chamlee, married (3) Son
 - b. William Franklin Chamlee 1903 Married Frances of Hanford, Calif. Is a Physician in Hanford and active in the Presbyterian church
 - (1) Thomas C. Chamlee 1936 , Graduated from Occidental College. Married, lives in Issaquah, Washington.
 - (a) Thomas C. Chamlee 15 yrs. in 1977
 - (b) Mary Frances Chamlee 13 yrs. 1977
 - (c) Jim Chamlee 11 yrs, 1977
 - (2) Frances Ray Chamlee 1938. Graduated from Occidental College in Los Angeles. Married to Puce Daugherty.
 - (a) Melissa Daugherty
 - (b) Dirk Daugherty
 - (c) Bret Daugherty
 - (3) Sara Jane Chamlee 1939 Graduated from Occidental College. Teaches in San Francisco area. Studied and traveled in Europe.
 - (4) William F. Chamlee Married
 - c. Marjorie Chamlee Married Carl D. Lane. Since his death, she has been teaching in Vista, Calif.
5. Drucilla Jane Chamlee (1876-1949) She is the mother of Alta Martin Humphrey, who

has contributed so much information. Drucilla Jane Chamlee married William Virgil Martin, a native of Gwinnette County. He was the son of Austin Boyd Martin and Sara Cassie Ford Martin.

a. Mary Lois Martin (1895-1901)

b. Cassie Aurelia Martin (1897) Unmarried, is a business lady and lives in Atlanta, Ga.

c. Frank Alston Martin (1899) Graduated from the University of Georgia. Studied law at U. of Alabama. Married Catherine Culpepper, daughter of Daisy Baxter and Frank H. Culpepper of Meridian, Miss.

(1) Jane Catherine Martin b 1932. Graduated from University of Ala. Married D. William Gregory, also a graduate of U. of Ala. At present he is Minister of music in Cooper River Baptist Church in Charleston, S.C.

(a) William Durwood Gregory lll

(b) Mary Catherine Gregory

(c) David Martin Gregory

(2) Frank Culpepper Martin b 1936. Graduated from U. of Ala. in merchandising. Owns Gibson Stores. Married

(a) Frank Culpepper Martin Jr.

(3) Richard Martin b 1941. Graduated from Miss. State. Married Lou Keen. Owns Gibson Stores, Laurel, Miss.

(a) Kelly Keen Martin, daughter

(b) Holly Martin, daughter

d. Alta Mae Martin b 1901 Note: She was named for my moth-in-law, Alta Foster Shelton, wife of Tilmon Perkins Chamlee. Alta and I have never met, but we have this Chamlee genealogy in common and are great "corresponding friends". Some day we are going to get together and I will be interested in the relationship between her mother and my mother-in-law.

Alta Mae Martin graduated from University of Alabama. Married John Bruce Humphrey of Decatur County, Ga., who was the son of Mary Cornelia Inlow and William Trowel Humphrey. John Bruce Humphrey was a lawyer.

(1) John Bruce Humphrey ll, b 1928. Graduated from University of Ga. Married Julianne Blount, daughter of Martha Morgan and Frank Bennett Blount of Senoia, Ga. Julianne also a graduate of U. of Ga.

(a) John Bruce Humphrey lll, b 1953. Graduate of Asbury College, Ky. Married to Julie of Senoia, Ga.

(b) Craig Blount Humphrey b 1954. Graduated from IaGrange College, Ga. Teaching at Newman, Ga.

(c) Steve Martin Humphrey b 1958 Student at Middle Georgia College.

(d) Frank Blount Humphrey b 1963. Student in high school.

(2) William Trowel Humphrey b 1936. Graduated from Emory University, surgeon in Norfolk, Va. Married 1st Doreth Doan, daughter of Douglas and Hazel Doan of Columbia, S.C. Married 2nd Jane Wade.

(a) William Trowel Humphrey ll b 1962. Student in high school, Atlanta, Ga.

(b) Douglas Doan Humphrey b 1965. Student in elementary school Atlanta, Ga.

(3) Mary Jane Humphrey b 1938. Graduated from University of Georgia. Married Stuart H. Shippey Jr., the son of Dr. S. H. Shippey and Margaret Britain Shippey. Graduated from Davison College, is a surgeon and they live in Pensacola, Fla.

(a) Stuart H. Shippey lll b 1965

(b) Susan Jane Shippey b 1967

(c) Martha Claire Shippey b 1968

(d) Margaret Mae Shippey b 1970

(e) John Bruce Shippey b 1971

~~6. William Trowel Humphrey b 1936. Graduated from Emory University, surgeon in Norfolk, Va. Married 1st Doreth Doan, daughter of Douglas and Hazel Doan of Columbia, S.C. Married 2nd Jane Wade. (a) William Trowel Humphrey ll b 1962. Student in high school, Atlanta, Ga. (b) Douglas Doan Humphrey b 1965. Student in elementary school Atlanta, Ga. (3) Mary Jane Humphrey b 1938. Graduated from University of Georgia. Married Stuart H. Shippey Jr., the son of Dr. S. H. Shippey and Margaret Britain Shippey. Graduated from Davison College, is a surgeon and they live in Pensacola, Fla. (a) Stuart H. Shippey lll b 1965 (b) Susan Jane Shippey b 1967 (c) Martha Claire Shippey b 1968 (d) Margaret Mae Shippey b 1970 (e) John Bruce Shippey b 1971~~

- e. Clyde Virgil Martin b 1903. Married Agetta Cummings of Donalsonville, Divorced. No children. Lives in Meridian Miss., where he is in business with his brother, Frank A. Martin. Attended University of Georgia.
- f. Carter Esmond Martin b 1906. Graduated from University of Ga. Married Elizabeth Smyly Smith, of Eastman, Ga. Retired. Was County Farm Agent in Dodge County, Ga.

(1) Smyly Claire Martin b 1948. Married Robert Franklin Jones of Eastman, Ga. Lives in Atlanta, Ga.

(a) Larrie Jones b 1972

(b) David Jones b 1975

- g. Charles Cyrus Martin b 1909. Graduated from University of Ga. Law School. Practices law in Savannah where he makes his home. Married Marian Robinson daughter of Wellington and Elizabeth Robinson of Savannah.

(1) Charles Wellington Martin b 1941. Attended U. of Ga. Married and lives in Atlanta where he is in business.

(2) Glenn Marien Martin b 1945. Graduated from Columbia Theological Seminary. Married and is stationed at Camp LeJeune, N.C.

- h. John Byrd Martin b 1913 Unmarried. Retired from Air Force as Colonel. Graduated from University of Ga, Law School before going into Air Force. Lives in Washington D.C. where he deals in real estate.

- i. Tilman Ford Martin (1915-1957) Attended University of Ga. Married Martha Al Alford, daughter of Richard Sion and Carrie Bell Slay Alford of Crystal Springs, Miss.

(1) Michael Alford Martin b 2/4/1949. Graduated from Hattisburg Univ of Miss. Married and lives in Jackson, Miss. where he is in insurance business.

(a) Jennifer Martin b 1975

(2) Martha Patricia Martin b 1952. Graduated from Auburn University Married Bob Sumrall, a Veterinarian in Louisiana.

(b) Son b 1977

6. William Franklin Chamlee Jr. (1878-195) Note: A fuller account has already been given. The information was taken from the obituary of his son, Judge William Franklin 11, who died at age 44, 1953 his father was still living. The clipping was sent to me by my cousin, Mrs. Elder Glenn Sr., of Chickamauga, Ga.

a. Judge William Franklin 11 b 5-8-1909 d 11-8-1953, Married Elizabeth Hall

(1) Patricia Chamlee

7. George Kellar Chamlee (1880-195)

8. Carter Tate Chamlee (1883-195) Graduated from Dahlonga Military College, entered the service of the U.S. Army and spent some time in the East. He joined other members of the family in Oklahoma after his return to the States, and married Flara Authorholt, member of a prominent Oklahoma family.

a. Mary Chamlee Married Dewayne Martin Hale of Washita County, Okla.

(1) Martin Dewayne Hale Jr. Dentist in Dallas, Texas.

(a) Martin Dewayne Hale 111

b. William Franklin Chamlee. Married Sue Self of Cordell Okla. where they make their. He is a druggist

(1) Mary Carol Chamlee Married

c. Doris Jean Chamlee Married

9. Bertha Chamlee (1886-197) Married Dr. James Allen Faulkner of Cherokee Co., Ga.

a. Mary Lucy Faulkner Married Glenn Epperson of Cherokee Co., Ga.

(1) Jane Epperson

b. Guy Faulkner b 1915 Married Anne Lee Thomas

10. Byrd Isom Chamlee (1888-196) Married Reba King of Adairsville, Bartow Co., Ga.

a. King Chamlee Married Elizabeth Penn. Graduated from Georgia Tech.

(1) Anne Chamlee Graduated from University of Tenn. Married

(2) Charles Chamlee . Married

11. Guy Chamlee 9/189 -1915) Graduated from Dahlonga Military College with degree in Engineering. Died as young man.

Note: Miles Carter Wiley of Carrollton Ga. wrote me that quite by chance he and

Guy Chamlee discovered that they were cousins while they were both in school
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at Dahlonga Military College. Miles Carter Wiley is son of Kindness Light Holden, daughter of Nancy Luvenia Chamlee Holden, daughter of Tilmon Chamlee son of William Chamblee (1780-185).

12. Roy Zebulon Chamlee (1897) Graduated from Dahlonga Military College. Married Beulah Harruff in Oklahoma. Was in business in Atlanta, Ga until his retirement. He lives on his "Show-Place" farm near Atlanta, Ga.

a. Roy Zebulon Chamlee Jr. b 1932. Ordained Baptist Minister; Served as Missionary to South America and held other ministerial as well as teaching posts. Married Martha Brooks, daughter of Joseph V. Brooks

(1) Roy Zebulon Chamlee III b 1951, Married

(2) Joseph Brooks Chamlee b 1953

(3) Cynthia Chailon Chamlee b 1957

13. Edna Chamlee (1897-1962) Married Mack A. Keith III of Cherokee County, Ga.

a. Margaret Keith b 1913 Married Robert Laws

They had four sons

b. Catherine Keith b 1915 Married Yarborough

(1) Joanne Yarborough

(2) Helene Yarborough

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Note: I love the way family names have been handed down through the generations, especially the Tilmons, Kindness Lights, Williams, and Luvenias.

L.A.C.

Benita Chamlee Taylor, of Ft.Valley, sent me Chamlee records gathered by Dr. Aquilla Chamlee also of Ft.Valley. The following is copied from xeroxed Bible account sent to him by Fred Bell of Tifton Ga. May 29, 1962. "I can not go back any further than to our Grandparents on the Chamlee and Bell side so I am sending you a photostat copy, it is a poor job of work but it is legible." Signed, Fred Bell

Bearths of T.C.family

Permellian Chamlee was born Nov.2, 1832
Nancy L Chamlee was B Nov.7, 1835
Mary C Chamlee was B Oct.8, 1835
Cinthy E was B Dec. 10, 1837
Georg. W. Chamlee was B Apr.3, 1840
Lucinia J. Chamlee was B Nov.14, 1841
Anna V. Chamlee was B Dec.19, 1844
William F. Chamlee was B Apr.11, 1847
John K. Chamlee was B Jan.21, 1851
Kinness B. Chamlee was B Dec. 8, 1855 Or 1853 (Hard to read)

Deaths

Tilmon Chamlee died April 30, 1887
Purmell An Wayne died Dec. 5th 1870
Anna Vidall Cantrel died July 17th 1886
Mary Caroline Cantrell died Aug.26 1882
Kinness B. Chamlee died Mar.30, 1892
Nancy L. Holden died Mar.24 1898
Emeline Wheeler died Feb.8th 1906

Thomas Bell was Born Feb.14, 1851
Kindness B. Bell was Born Dec.8, 1853
James L. Bell was Born Aug. 3, 1873
John K. Bell was Born April 3, 1875
Swiler Bell was Born Nov.6, 1876
Andrew B. Bell was Born Nov.18, 1878
Cherokee D. Bell was Born Feb.15, 1881
Samuel W. Bell was Born Jan.9, 1883
Oscar W. Bell was Born March 23, 1885
Thomas T. Bell was Born April 17, 1887.
Fred Bell was Born Jan.22, 1890
Cleopatry Bell was Born Dec.28, 1891
William F. Bell was Born March 29, 1894
Edward L. Bell was Born Jan. 25, 1897

(Hand written by Fred Bell)

Thomas Bell and K.B. Chamlee was married Aug. 22, 1872

Thomas Bell died Feb. 15, 1920
(Kindness Breedlove Chamlee (1855-1892, was born and reared in Cherokk Co. Ga. Married Thomas Bell, son of Thomas Reuben Bell and Serena Messer Bell. He was the brother of Mary Bell who married William Franklin Chamlee. For many years they lived in Cherokee County, moved to Worth County about 1905. There they owned and operated a large farm. From Mrs. J.B. Humphrey.)

Information for this newspaper article was contributed by Mrs. Alta Martin Humphreys.

Obediah and Mary Moore Light were parents of Kindness Breedlove Light who married Tillman Chamblee, son of William and Dorcas Seago Chamblee.

Obediah Light, or one of his sons, once operated a ferry across the Chattahoochee River in the southern section of Hall County. A road in the Flowery Branch area is named Light's Ferry Road.

The publication "Gone to Georgia" states that the Light Family is found in various parts of South Carolina in 1790, and Obediah Light drew land in the 1805 Jackson Co. (Ga.) lottery.

The 1820 federal census of Hall County enumerates Obediah Light. In 1843 Obediah took a land lottery oath: "Forsyth Co. Ga. Before me B.J. Rice a J.P. for said county personally came Obediah Light who being duly sworn... that he is proper agent appt'd the heirs of John Moore dec'd to Grant Lot 4 in 27th Dist. of 3rd section of originally Cherokee, now Walker County. Dated 29 May 1843. Signed Obediah(X) Light. On May 29, 1843 Obediah Light appt'd Raymond Sanford of Hall County his lawful agent to apply for said grant in presence of Joseph Martin and B.J. Rice, J.P."

Obediah Light was born in the 1700's and according to Bible records of the Light family, died in Hall County or Forsyth County, July 30, 1849. He was married to Mary Moore on Sept. 23, 1803. Mary Moore was born March 12, 1789. Her parents were probably John Moore who was born Oct 25, 1757 (1857) and Mary Keller Moore born Oct 3, 1759. One John Moore, Revolutionary Veteran and resident of Hall County, drew Cherokee County land in 1827 which was granted to him 1843.

Children of Obediah and Mary Moore Light were:

I. John Russell Light, born Apr. 7, 1804 was married to Christina Morgan. The family moved to Forsyth County and John R. Light served as Tax Collector for many years. Each year he rode horseback to Milledgeville Ga., the State Capitol, to report the tax returns.
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John R. and Christina Light had the following children: Mary Ann, married Jim Roberts and moved to Atlanta; Newton served in Civil War, later moved to Arkansas; Daniel enlisted in Civil War, died near Stone Mountain; Luvenia married Robert McConnell, moved to Ashburn; Green, wounded in Civil War and his mother went to Virginia and brought him home, he later died in Arkansas; John M. died in Civil War in Virginia; James M. killed in war in Virginia; Clinton married Samantha Roland, died near Flowery Branch; Benjamin Jackson married Frances Jane Orr; Alice married married Will O'Dell and the family moved to Amarillo Texas, where Alice died and in buried.

II. Guilford B. Light, son of Obediah and Mary Light was born Oct. 10, 1808. He married Margaret Gibbs. Their children were: Atlanta, born 1848, married William T. Bagby; and Augusta Light.

III. Kindness Breedlove Light, born Sept. 20, 1800. She was married in Hall County to Tillman Chamblee (Chamblee), son of William and Dorcas Seago Chamblee. The family moved to Cherokee County, Ga. Their children were: Permelia Ann born 1831, married John Wayne; Nancy Luvenia, born 1833 married Miles Nathaniel Holden; Mary Caroline born 1835, married Mark Cantrell; Samantha Emeline, born 1837, married Newt Wheeler; George Washing, born 1840, married Malinda Robertson; Lucinda Jane, born 1841, married William Wayne. Lucinda and William Wayne are both buried in the Holbrook Methodist Cemetery, Forsyth County; William Franklin, born 1847, married Mary Bell; John Keller, born 1851; Kindness Breedlove, born 1853, married Thomas Bell.

IV. Alfred M. Light, son of Obediah and Mary Light, was born Nov. 19, 1910. He married Mary Bibbs on Oct. 24, 1834. Their son was named Young Keller Light.

V. Mary Light, daughter of Obediah and Mary Light was born March 14, 1813 and was married in Hall County May 4, 1837 to Berry W. Roberts. The New Bethany Baptist Church located near Flowery Branch, wrote memorials in the church minutes to:

"In memory of Berry W. Roberts, born Feb. 8, 1813, joined church 1844, died Jan. 1 1896, age 83 years."

VI. Pleasant George Light, son of Obediah and Mary Light, was born Aug. 1, 1815

VII. Permelia Ann Light, born July 21, 1817, married James Wilson in Forsyth County, Dec. 11, 1840.

VIII. Young Keller Light, son of Obediah and Mary Light, born March 4, 1820.

II. Wyly L. Light, son of Obadiah and Mary Light, was born April 2, 1822. His marriage to Allethia E. Phillips, Nov. 22, 1842, is recorded in Forsyth County. Wyly (or Wiley) and Allethia Light are both buried in the Flowery Branch Cemetery.

I. Merida Light was born Jan. 25, 1825. ^{www.georgiapioneers.com} Her marriage to Eliza E. Light Sept. 15, 1844 is recorded in Hall County. It is possible that Merida and Meridith are one and the same person.

From Hall County Newspaper

George Washington Chamlee, the 5th child of Tilmon and Kindness Light Chamlee, was born 4-3-1840 in Cherokee County, Ga. and died in Atlanta Ga. 1923. He married Malinda Robertson 3-6-1862, she born 2-11-1844, died 6-9-1927. They lived at Keithburg, Ga. five miles north of Canton in the Canton District.

Grandpa Chamlee acquired a large farm and ran a grist mill on Chamlee Creek. All family members seem to remember the mill, in fact, Uncle Doc. (Son Allen Keith, 1877-1948) had a picture of the homeplace and mill copied by a Sparta artist from a photograph, and it hung in his home in Sparta. It is now the prized possession of his daughters, Venia Chamlee and Benita Chamlee Taylor, both of Fort Valley, Ga. It was said that the cogs of the wheel were made of wood and fastened with wooden pegs. For his milling services, Grandpa Chamlee was paid in kind which resulted in toll corn to excess. To get rid of the surplus corn meal, he applied for and was licensed by the U.S. Gov. to make whiskey. This proved to be a fruitless though legitimate endeavor, because bootleggers undersold him and he was soon out of business.

There were 13 children born in this family, nine of whom were sons. Emory died in infancy but the others lived to adulthood. There were four daughters, Victoria Augusta Chamlee (1863-1945) who married John Keith and lived in Selma, California; Nancy Luvenia Chamlee (1867-1949) married Rev. John Henry Johnston who was both a teacher and preacher, she was a Postmistress in Atlanta; Malinda Chamlee (1883-1965 ?), worked at State Capitol for many years; Mae Chamlee (1888-1939). Of the sons in the family, 2 were farmer-merchants, 1 insurance, 4 were lawyers, 1 real estate and 1 a minister. George Washington Chamlee gave his children a common school education and after that, by their own efforts and by helping each other, they managed to gain further training and all became useful, self sustaining citizens. He liked to say that he was proud of his children because none of them were ever sent to jail. This little off-beat humor was and is a characteristic of George Chamlee.

George Washington Chamlee served in the war between the states in the famous Phillips Legion for four years, less the last two months when he was captured. He was in many of the big battles (From Grace Chamlee Kreigsman). In a letter, 1946, from his son, George Washington Chamlee (1871-1958) to our son, George Harvey Chamlee (1930) "Your great grandfather was in the war between the states, and he saw Atlanta when it was burning. If you ever get a chance, be sure to go see the picture, Gone With The Wind-----because it gives some valuable information about the State of Georgia when Atlanta was destroyed."

We have a hand written letter from Grandpa to George Tilmon Chamlee (1898) suggesting that he ask his Uncle Doc for employment when he was discharged from the army, World War 1, I might add that he followed the advice and Uncle Doc gave him work in his furniture store, but better than that he took him into his home as a family member.

"Malinda Robertson Chamlee (1844-1927) was the granddaughter of Charlie Lynch, (Pickens Co. S.C.) and --- who moved to Hall Co., Gainesville, Ga. Their daughter, Eliza Lynch, b 4-14-1820 married John (Jack) Robertson b 1-27-1810 d 9-1-1884 and their daughter Malinda Robertson married George Washington Chamlee." The paragraph above is a copy of record made by G.W. Chamlee (1871-1958) for A.K. Robertson, 5-20-1907. Another letter to our son, George Harvey Chamlee (1930) written May, 7, 1946 from Uncle George (1871-1958) states; "and when the Revolutionary War was on, your Great Grandfather Grandfather on my mother's (Malinda Lynch Robertson Chamlee) side of the family, marched with General Washington in the Revolutionary War, through snow, without shoes, barefoot, and his feet bleeding, to free this country from British dominion." This would have been Malinda's Grandfather Lynch and our dear Uncle George's impassioned rhetoric.

Uncle Quill (Dr. Aquilla Chamlee, 1869-1960 ?) was interested in his mother's Lynch ancestry. I have some notes of his from research in the State Library, Richmond Va. which appear to have been made by a genealogist but to my thinking, do not really link us to the Thomas Lynch Jr. Signer of the Declaration of Independence. Uncle

Quill may not have had that in mind, but some of the notes related to him. This can be a new endeavor for some other descendant. There was another note stating that Eliza Lynch Robertson had a brother, Charlie Lynch, who moved to Arkansas.

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The family of
George Washington Chamblee & Malinda Robertson
Chamblee

George Washington Chamblee (4-3-1840-1923) married Malinda Robertson (1844-1927) on March 6, 1862. He always called her the "prettiest girl in Georgia" and she must have been ...even when she was an old lady she had a beautiful complexion and and lovely blue eyes. I never saw my grandmother angry or heard her raise her voice; and, when grandpa became upset and gave anyone an ultimatum which she thought severe she just said- softly- "Now, Mr. Chamblee" and that ended all discussion. They lived on a farm some miles out of Canton, Georgia, in a big white farm house. Goldie Keith told me that her Grandfather Keith built the house. There was a meandering little creek below the house where the grist mill was located and we children used to love to play in the creek. When I was a child Uncle Jerry ran the mill and I will never forget the wonderful smell of that old mill. Every so often the creek would flood and wash away the mill race, then some of the sons would come down and help Jerry restore it. One summer Uncle Quill came with the others, and I was amazed to see that preacher shuck off his coat, put on old clothes and work right along with Jerry and the others. He never knew how much my feeling of respect and admiration for him zoomed up. That was when he became a remarkable man and not just my uncle. Grandpa fought in the Confederate Army for four years, less the last two months of the war, when he was captured. I used to love to hear him tell of the places he had been .. he was in very many of the big battles. During the last part of his life when he was old and ill, he suddenly remembered that he had left two damn Yankees tied to a tree and he had to go and turn them loose ... at that time some of the men of the family stayed with the family to help Aunt Linda cope, and after persuasion failed one of them agreed to go with him to release the men. I believe this chore fell to my brother George .. at any rate, Grandpa wouldn't take a cab - said he had to walk to find the place and he walked his companion to Grant's Park (some 3 miles, I believe) but the three Yankees were gone and that relieved his mind. He was quite a man, our Grandpa. He once told me that his ancestors came from England, but were originally from France. There is a town or city in France named Chamblee - I discovered it on an old map many years ago and Owen says it is still there. He was never in that part of France during the war and wanted to go to see it when he was there some years ago, but since he was on a tour he was not permitted to leave the group.

Uncle John had been to France - I think before he was married - and he brought the most beautiful blond doll, in a glass case, to May. She was a small child and was not allowed to play with it so it was hung on the wall, to be admired only. I envied her with all my being but had it been mine the story would have been different! I wasn't a meek little girl like May. I've always wondered what became of it and finally got the idea that they gave it to Louise, which would have been a natural thing to do. I think Uncle John and Aunt Lena lived with them or had an apartment in their house, to be correct. George, Sam and I were born there they were plentifully supplied with baby sitters. Uncle John and Aunt Lena had been married many years when Louise was born.

The children of my Grandparents - 14 of them:

1. Victoria Augusta Chamlee (1863-1945) married John Keith, of Cherokee County, Georgia. They moved to Burns, Kansas until 1915, at which time they moved to Selma, California. They first had twin daughters - Candace and Frances, who were several years older than I, and who died in the flu epidemic of 1918. Their other daughter, Goldie Keith, is now 80 years old and is unmarried. She still lives in Selma, California.
2. John Bell Chamlee (1864-1945) married Nancy Lena Jones from near Emerson, Georgia. He was in the real estate business. They had only one child - Louise Chamlee (6-11-1910) who is is unmarried and lives in Atlanta, Georgia.
3. Tilmon Perkins Chamlee (1865-1902) married Alta Foster Shelton (1872-1930) June 5, 1894 in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Her parents Azariah Shelton and Harriet Carper Shelton were members of a pioneer Tennessee family, having moved to the Chattanooga area when Chattanooga was known as Ross's Landing (John Ross was an Indian Chief who had lived there for many years). The Shelton and Carper families were neighbors at a little place called Silverdale and Azariah and Harriet were married when he was 18 and she 14 years of age. Harriet was the youngest of 11 children of Joseph and Elizabeth Carper, and her mother, who was a widow at that time, gave them a farm with a house on it as a wedding present. Azariah farmed for some time and then commuted weekly to Chattanooga where he taught school and was later Supt. of Schools; then he was Sheriff of Hamilton County, Tennessee; then Tax Assessor for many years. I could write a whole book on Miss Harriet ... her sisters were grown and her only playmates were her two young brothers Joe and Alex and their adventures were almost beyond belief. Azariah and Harriet finally moved into town and built a large house on Walnut Street, where they lived for many years. They sold the Silverdale house to his sister, our beloved Aunt Sallie Friar, where George and I had many happy visits.

Children of Tilmon P. Chamlee and Alta Shelton Chamlee were:
Grace Shelton Chamlee b 6-11-1895 (you have details)
George Tilmon Chamlee (1898) " " "

Nancy Luvenia Chamlee (1867-1949) married John Henry Johnston who was in politics of some kind - this was before my time, and later became a preacher. Inactive in both of these lines at the time I knew him. Aunt Venia was the Post Mistress at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia for many years. Their only child was Glenn Johnston, who eventually moved to New York. I don't know what his work was exactly but it was with different magazines. Apparently in management for he was connected with Cosmopolitan at one time. He married there and they had one daughter. All three are dead now.

Acquilla Chamlee - you have all the details on this one.

George Washington Chamlee, Jr. (1871-1958) married Sallie Palmer, of Charleston, Tennessee. I adored Uncle George ... he and my father and Uncle Kell were law partners. My father went to Chattanooga, and then Uncle George joined him, and finally Uncle Kell. Uncle George would often bring home ice cream and I would be in bed, so he would bring it in, wake me up, and we would eat it.

G.W.C., Jr.

Their only child, a son named G. W. Chamlee, Jr. and called G.W. is also a lawyer. You have details on him and family.

Robert L. Chamlee (1873-1914) was also a lawyer and lived in Rome, Georgia until his health failed and his doctors sent him to Phoenix, Arizona where he lived for many years. He and I carried on a correspondence and I think my love for that Western country grew out of his letters. He never married.

Keller Franklin Chamlee (1875-1901) also became a lawyer and was a partner of his two brothers. He was so young to die .. was well liked by everyone .. a friendly young man. He never married.

Allen Keith Chamlee (Dock) (1877-1948) married Berta Ivey. You have the details.

Alexander Stephens (Beck) Chamlee (1879-1942). You have the details on this one, except that he was another of my loves .. an outgoing, friendly man.

Jerry Warner Chamlee (1881-1938) married Nelle Michael of Athens, Georgia. You have details. www.georgiabioneers.com Another of those lovely Chamlee men.

Malinda (1883-) she stayed with us one year and went to school. Used to tell of dropping me when I was a baby and nearly scared the daylight out of her and she cried worse than I did. She was quite a beautiful young lady but never married. Was a secretary for the Atlanta Red Cross at one time.

Emory (1885-1886) Emory was the little baby that died.

May (1888-1939) - closer to my age .. we fussed a lot. We were both a lot like Mr. Grandpa, as Aunt Linda called him, but we were really very fond of one another. May was never very strong but she kept house while Linda worked. My grandmother Chamlee was blind for many years so the girls had to take over the household duties.

Personally, I think my Chamlee grandparents raised a remarkable family ... some of the nicest people that I have ever known. Each of them blessed with a wonderful sense of humor, with a love for one another, and great compassion.

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Grace Chamlee Kreigman

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Copies of letters written to grandson, George Tilmon Chamlee, by GEORGE WASHINGTON CHAMLEE Sr., when grandson, George, was in the army. The letters are faded, very hard to read but they tell so much about this man. His son, Allen Keith Chamlee, said that, "He was the King Bee of the bunch, the Hon. G.W. Chamlee Sr. who did more for his family than any other citizen of his day and locality."

Atlanta, Ga. Sept. 16, 1918

Mr. G.T. Chamlee, Nogales

Dear Son; I almost lost all hope of ever hearing from you any more, but as long as there is life there is hope. I wrote to Grace 3 times since she had a boy at her house, but she never writes to me anymore. Your Uncle George has been elected States Attorney for Chattanooga. He gets salary of three thousand dollars and holds----- If you can stay on the Border as long as the war lasts, my advice to you is to stay there some----- hurt in France, before Germany is put down, if they will let our boys over there they will fetch them to terms. We have got the best army now that ever was on the face of the earth, men from 21 to 31 years old and nearly 2 million over there. There was a policeman here night before last, he says he saw a balloon pass over the City, it done no harm that I have heard of, his pants may had to be washed, I can't say. I suppose you know your grandma's eyes both has been taken out so she is blind, but it is in good health, eats and sleeps well, is nearly as heavy as she ever was. I have no disease of no kind that I know of, but my powers are gone, I can't do but little before I give out. I have fall off about 30 pounds, I have no appetite to eat is one thing that ails me. Your Aunt Victory Keith lives now on 1609 Grove St., Selma California, if you will write her at Grove St. she has 3 girls all single-- and you will get an answer at once. You might get a chance to visit them. You write them, they are Rich and can do you a favor if you should want one. I have but one thing to be proud of ~~that George Tilmon Chamlee~~ I raised as nice family of children as there is in the world. Your Aunt Venia was here yesterday---have Post Office at McPherson-----her son is married and is somewhere in N.Y. State on Long Island. Well George, I will try to write you some more Now I have got back. My mind is so scattering I leave out words, you must excuse me for it is the best I can do. I often get lost in the center of the City, my weakness of body is the cause of my mind being so weak. My sister, Tom Bell's wife (This was the youngest child of Tilmon and Kindness Breedlove Light Chamlee, in fact she was the 10th child. Her name was also Kindness Breedlove Chamlee born 12-8-1855, married Tom Bell Aug. 22, 1872. They had 12 children, 9 boys; lived in Cherokee, Co. About 1905 moved to Worth County, owned a large farm. See names of her family sent to Aquilla Chamlee by her son, Fred Bell.)

has got 9 living boys this last conscript law got all of her nine. I don't know how many of my Brother Frank Chamlee (William Franklin Chamlee b1847 d 1939, married Mary Bell, sister of Tom Bell. They had 8 sons, 13 children) will have to go but 6 I think. Your cousin G.W. is only 17 now, Your uncles Allen or Doc as he is called, Alex and Warner is under the age. Warner is Clerk of the Superior Court at Canton. Alex is the biggest farmer almost in the county. He has this year 500 acres planted in corn and 500 planted in cotton, he lives at Bartow in Washington County.----- to see them and Doc's family 2 or 3 weeks ago. They say he has the crop they ever saw, he says if he can get pickers he will have 160 bales of cotton and 4 or 5000 bushels of corn, pretty good for----- 18 or 20 mules to plow it.----- Grace can't write for playing with her boy, she might bring him to see his Great Grandpaw I think, don't you? There is a Military College the Vanderbilt at Nashville, Tenn. now going to open soon. If you can get in that you would get your board, clothing and 3 or 4 dollars a month. You write your Uncle George to see if he can't get you in, do this at once before it is too late. I will close and write George myself. Write me as often as you can.

ASern (George says that this was "As ever your servant" and he always used it)
Be a good boy always do what you promise in evrything. G.W. Chamlee

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Letters to George Tilmon Chamlee from Grandfather George Washington Chamlee Sr.
continued.

Atlanta, Ga. March 29, 1919

Dear George T. Chamlee Fort Bliss, El Paso, Texas (Grandpa was 79 at this time)
Dear Son, I hardly know how to write you or what to say you have been gone so long
from Atlanta. Your Grandma has been sick but is better now, we had a doctor with
her. Your Cousin Canny Keith died the 19th of Feb. in Selma California with flu. She
was one of your Aunt Victoria's twin girls. The other twin is still down sick with
the same disease. (She died also) Your Aunt Mae has been in bed all this week. Your
Uncle Allen Chamlee and wife Berta is here with us, one is here all this week. Your
Ma sent us a box of oranges and grapefruit some days ago. I sent her a box of apples
she wrote that she had got them and they did eat them. Your Uncle Warner Chamlee
was here for awhile last night, Your Aunt Malinda keeps well and works all the time.
She is making 90 odd dollars a month now. When you get out if you will come and stay
~~With Thursday~~ I'll try to get you into some good job here. I getting to be very feeble
Next Thursday I will begin my 80th Year, my 79th will be out then. Your Grandma
was 75 the 11th of Feb. past. We have been married 57 years the 6th of this month.
A long time to live together only a few ever live together that long. How long have you
got to stay in the army before you get out. When you get out I want you to come by
here as you go to see your Ma and stay with us awhile. Glenn Johnston is in New York,
is married, got a baby girl at his house, so you see he has something to play with
him. Write soon, Asre(The "AS ever your servant") G.W. Chamlee

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May 18, 1919 Dear George T. As I am writing your Aunt Berta, I will wish
you to know that I have not forgotten you and how glad I am that you are where you
are. If you will conduct yourself right and stay there, you will have home as long
as our uncle lives. He is competent to advise you on all matters and he will
show you how to save your money. When he started out he had nothing and he went to
and stuck to it, saved what he made and now he is independent and able to stay at
home. I had a letter from Grace and the picture of her son, he looks like he might
make a man some day. I would love to see them all but they will have to come here
if I ever do. My days are about spent, I never got to go to school only to learn
to spell, write and count--that was the limit of my schooling. I told your Grandma
when I got home out of the war (Civil War, 4 years, was captured last 2 months)
that when our children got big enough to go to school, if I ---- enough to send
them and had the money to pay for it, I was going to send them if I went to the
Pauper Farm to be buried and I done it. We had one teacher at Canton that I paid a
salary of 75 dollars every year for 5 years, kept a wagon and team to haul the
children $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles- bought their books, clothes, and fed them. It took all I ever
but I am glad I did it. I can show as nice lot of children as can be found the
world over, something; I am proud of. I don't mind what I have done, it tells for
itself. Write to us and come to see us. Asevr(The "AS ever your servant")
G.W. Chamlee

How I wish I could have known this precious man. Such revealing letters, -
such love for his family and I believe he passed it on to his children
that I know George Tilmon and Grace loved him and George feels privileged
that he could help with caring for him in his latter days.

Lillie A. Chamlee

John Robertson was born Jan. 27th 1810

Louisa Robertson was born Apr. 14 1820

Mary E.Robertson was born June 6th, 1838

Nathan Robertson was born Apr. 10th, 1840

Malinda Robertson was born Feb. 11th 1844

William J.Robertson was born Dec. 25th 1845

Richard Robertson was born March 16th, 1848

Henry E.Robertson was born Nov. 23rd, 1850

Allen K.Robertson was born Jan. 26th 1854

Frances E.Robertson was born Jan. 19th 1857

Louiza Robertson was born May 3rd, 1859

John M.Robertson was born Sept. 30th 1862

Nathaniel A.Robertson died Nov. 1865

Richard Robertson died November 12th 1869

John Robertson died Sept. 1st 1884

♀ Louiza, Eliza, Rebertson was the daughter of Charlie Lynch(Pickens C H, S.C.)
who moved to Hall County., Gainesville, Ga.

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Daughter Malinda Robertson(1844) married George Washington Chamlee, Mar.6, 1862.

(See sketch of George Washington Chamlee)

Tilmon Perkins Chamlee, born 1864, died Aug. 5, 1902, was the 3rd child of 12 born to George Washington Chamlee (1840-1923) and Melinda Robertson Chamlee (1844-1927). He was the oldest, and first of the four lawyer sons in fact he "read law", passed the bar and opened a law office for himself. Later, three brothers, George Washington, Robert L., and Kellar T. joined him.

Tilmon P. Chamlee served as City Attorney of Chattanooga, Tenn. and at one time received the democratic nomination for U.S. Congress. There was no Republican Nominee so that was tantamount to election. He did not serve in that capacity however, because of ill health. ~~Thus~~

Three brothers of the law firm contracted tuberculosis from a friend, who also "read law" in the office and all died at early ages. Kellar died in 1901 age 26, Tilmon P. in 1902 age 37, and Robert (Bob) in 1914 age 41. All sought help by going to Arizona for the dry climate, but to no avail.

Tilmon P. Chamlee married Alta Foster Shelton of Chattanooga, Tenn. born 12-24-1872, died 10-5-1930, daughter of Azariah and Harriett Carper Shelton of Hamilton Co. Tenn. At one time Azariah Shelton was a Teacher, Sheriff of Hamilton County and always an influential republican politician.

Surviving Tilmon was his widow, Alta Shelton Chamlee age 30, a daughter, Grace Shelton Chamlee age 8 and a son, George Tilmon age 3. After some years, the family moved to Florida where Shelton relatives were already living.

an automobile dealer
Grace Chamlee later married Albert Owen Kreigsman of Eustis Fla. and from there George Tilmon enlisted in World War I. Much to his chagrin, he was stationed on the Mexican border for the duration. When the war was over, he came to Sparta, Ga. to work in the furniture store of his uncle, Allen Keith Chamlee. Later he graduated from Mercer University, Macon, Ga. and became a minister serving pastorates in Hazlehurst, Hephzibah, Wrens and Carrollton Ga.

Tilmon P. Chamlee and Alta Chamlee are buried in Forest Hills Cemetery, Chattanooga, Tenn. as are other family members; Robert L. (1873-1914), Kellar T. (1875-1901), George Washington (1871-1958) and Sallie Palmer Chamlee (Mrs. Geo. W. Chamlee).

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G. W. Chamlee, 85, Dean of Bar, Dies. (Chattanooga Times - 1-18-58)
Lawyer had been District Attorney General - Rites at 10:30 this morning.

George Washington Chamlee, 85, dean of the Chattanooga bar and a former district Attorney General, died yesterday morning in a local hospital. He resided at 1409 Lexington Rd. in Riverview.

Gen. Chamlee was active in the practice of law until the recent illness which led to his death. He was associated with his son, George W. Chamlee, Jr. His name was No. 1 on the chancery court docket indicating that he had practiced longer than any living attorney in Chattanooga.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 today at the Turner Funeral Home, with Dr. Carl J. Giers officiating. Burial will be in Forest Hills Cemetery.

Pall bearers will be members of the Alert Bible Class, the Chattanooga Bar Association and the Chattanooga Half-Century Club. The family asks that flowers be omitted.

Mr. Chamlee was born near Canton, Georgia on January 30, 1872, a son of George Washington Chamlee and Malinda Robertson Chamlee. His father was a veteran of the War Between the States.

Mercer Graduate

Gen. Chamlee was a graduate of Mercer College in Macon, Ga. taking his law degree there in 1891.

He came to Chattanooga and in 1893 joined with his late brothers, Tilmon P. Chamlee, Robert Chamlee and Keller F. Chamlee in the practice of law. It was the beginning of a brilliant career at the bar during which he became widely known both as an able prosecutor and resourceful defender.

He once boasted that he had represented more than 800 persons charged with murder and that no one he represented was ever executed.

Gen. Chamlee had a part in the defense of the nine negroes in the famous Scottsboro case.

During the Prohibition era, he became famous for his defense of hundreds of moonshiners when U. S. District Court was held in the old Federal Bldg. on 11th Street, now occupied by offices of the Tennessee Valley Authority. It was during this period that Gen. Chamlee narrowly escaped injury when caught in the line of fire between two principals in a moonshine trial who shot it out following the hearing.

He served for three terms as city attorney of Chattanooga in 1902, 1904 and 1906. He was elected attorney general in 1918 and held the post until 1929. He served as special judge in various courts during his life.

Mr. Chamlee wrote the city's first ordinance creating a food inspector. Around the turn of the century, when Chattanooga suffered a severe smallpox epidemic, Mr. Chamlee insisted upon erection of an isolation hospital on Willow Street. The hospital later treated 1,100 patients in one year.

On Draft Board

The attorney was an associate member of the draft board in 1918. He had served as chancellor commander of Damon Lodge 2, Knights of Pythias, and as a representative to grand lodge on several occasions. He was a member of Sun Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Patriotic Sons of America and Sons of Confederate Veterans.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church, having joined in 1894. He was a member of the Chattanooga Half-Century Club.

Mr. Chamlee had practiced law in Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Ohio and Florida, as well as in Washington, D. C.

He was a member of the Chattanooga, Tennessee and the American Bar Associations.

During the last years of his life, Gen. Chamlee paid tribute through letters to the Editor of the Chattanooga Times to other members of the Chattanooga Bar following their deaths.

Mr. Chamlee was married to the former Sallie Palmer of Charleston, Tennessee on Nov. 2, 1898. She died on Aug. 21, 1951.

Survivors, in addition to his son, include two granddaughters, Marye E. Chamlee and Sally Katherine Chamlee.

(Presumably from the afternoon paper)

Dean of the Chattanooga Bar, George W. Chamlee, who died yesterday at 85, practiced law here for an amazing 65 years and came to Chattanooga before that in his native Georgia.

A familiar figure in black and umbrella always in hand, he passed on pleasant reminiscences of the past to colleagues and friends at the courthouse while carrying on for clients. He left the unpleasantness aside and several years ago he wrote: "Chattanooga has the best climate in my opinion in the world; the best neighbors, best Christians, best and friendly fellowship in the country; less racial prejudice than at most places; all apparently willing to let each other worship according to the dictates of his own conscience."

In later years, with regularity, Gen. Chamlee wrote of the "Icy cold hand of death" being laid upon passing Chattanooga lawyers. But, he wrote of them with warm warmth and affection. There are many who will remember his long years among us, and find it hard to picture the scene without him.

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These are from clippings sent to me (Grace Chamlee Kreigsman) by Aunt Linda.

Dr. Aquila Chamlee-- In nearly every community have lived individuals who by innate ability and sheer force of character have won for themselves conspicuous places in public esteem. It is a well attested maxim that the greatness of a state or of a community lies not in its machinery of government but rather in the sterling qualities of the individual citizen, in his capacity for high and unselfish effort and his devotion to the welfare of his fellowmen. In these particulars, he whose name appears at the head of this review has conferred honor on his community and dignified his calling, so that it is entirely consonant that a resume of his career should be incorporated in the permanent annals of his state, in the religious and educational life of which he has long been a conspicuous figure. Aquila Chamlee was born at Canton Cherokee County, Georgia, on the 3rd of December, 1869, and is a son of George W. and Malinda (Robertson) Chamlee, both of whom were natives of this state. The father was a soldier in the confederate army during the Civil War, belonging to the famous Phillips Legion. His father Tiaman Chamlee, was a native of Cherokee County, the son of a native of this state, and the grandson of a native of South Carolina. The family originally came from France and was identified with the war of the revolution. John Robertson, maternal grandfather of Dr. Chamlee, was born in Georgia, while the two generations preceding him were natives of South Carolina, their emigrant ancestor having come to this country from Ireland.

Aquila Chamlee received his preliminary education in a private school and then attended Attways Academy, at Canton. He then entered Ottawa Institute, a public school, after which he matriculated in Mercer University, where he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1895. He then entered the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, where he graduated in 1897 with the degree of Graduate in Theology. In 1898 he became pastor of the Sandersville Baptist Church, together with several other churches, to which he ministered for seven years, and then for four years he attended to the spiritual affairs of the Sandersville church alone. He next became pastor of the Baptist church at Forsyth, remaining there for five years going from there to the church at Cantonville, Georgia, on November 1, 1914, he became pastor of the church at Hawkinsville, where he enjoyed a very successful pastorate until July 1, 1922, when he became president of Bessie Tift College, at Forsyth, which position he is still filling with ability and success.

Dr Chamlee took an earnest part in various activities growing out of the World war, serving on a number of committees, on the Red Cross board and the Food Administration. He has always been a democrat in his political belief, while fraternally he is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, in which he has attained the Royal Arch degree. He also belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. On September 6, 1898, at Tenille, Georgia, Doctor Chamlee was married to Miss Memie Louise Beck, the daughter of Rev. Thomas Jefferson Beck, a minister of the Baptist Church and the son of a Baptist minister. The Beck family is of Scotch-Irish origin. Mrs. Beck's mother was Elizabeth McKeever, served as bridesmaid at the marriage of Senator Bacon's mother. The family lived in Liberty county in early days. The mother was a student in Mercer University during the Civil War and sang in the choir. Among others who sang in that choir were several men who later became noted in their several spheres of endeavor. Thomas Jefferson Beck served as a chaplain in the confederate army and is still preaching at the advanced age of eighty-eight years. To Doctor and Mrs. Chamlee was born one child, Mary Beck, who died at the age of two years. Doctor Chamlee possesses to a marked degree the essential qualifications for such a position as he now fills, being a well educated and cultured gentleman, consecrated to the work to which he has been called, and his success in directing the affairs of Bessie Tift College has abundantly demonstrated the wisdom of his selection. He is of a genial, social nature, full at times of a quaint, homely humor; he loves young people and many a young man and woman have been helped and encouraged by him in starting out in life. Always calm and dignified, never demonstrative, his entire life has been a persistent plea, both by example and by spoken word, for the purity and grandeur of right principles and the beauty and elevation of wholesome character. Because of these qualities he has won the respect and esteem of all who know him.

Bessie Tift College, formerly Monroe College, was founded at Forsyth, Georgia

in 1847, chartered in 1849, and became the property of the Baptist Convention in 1898. In 1907 the present name of the institution was adopted in honor of Mrs. Bessie Willingham Tift, who, with her husband, was one of its greatest benefactors. In 1864-5 the college buildings were used as a Confederate hospital. For three years from 1879 to 1883 the college was suspended three years on account of fire having destroyed the buildings. The Georgia Baptist Convention functions in the realm of higher education of women through Bessie Tift College, which the Convention owns, directs and supports. The college is ambitious to give to every young woman who attends its classes a comprehensive knowledge of the word of God and the ability to apply intelligently the life-giving principles of the Christian religion to any group with whom she may be enabled to work.

Recollections of Lillie Archer Chamlee January 5, 1971

Dr. Chamlee retired from the presidency of Tift College in 1938 and from this time until 1952 he held pastorates in the vicinity of Fort Valley, where he made his home. Aunt Memie died in 1948 and he continued to live with her widowed niece, Mrs. Bessie Marshal Johns. After 1952 he devoted his time to interim pastorates and supply work. Mr. Jack U. Harwell interviewed Uncle Quill on the occasion of his 90th birthday Dec. 3, 1959 and the Christian Index carried two full pages of his reminiscences of seventy years of Southern Baptist endeavors. He died in 1966 or 67 and was buried in the Beck cemetery, Tennille, Georgia.

Dr. Chamlee and I went to Bessie Tift the same year, 1922, he as President and I as an humble freshman. I recall that when I was a senior and President of the Student Council, I headed up a committee which carried a very "weighty" problem to him. The rule required no candy making in rooms at certain times and we had apprehended Leslie Williams making same in her room, and the Council had promptly restricted her, which meant among other things, that she could not have company on Sunday afternoon. Her father was wealthy and it was rumored that he was on the verge of gifting the college with \$25,000 (as I recall). Dr. Chamlee (probably didn't know she was restricted) inadvertently told Mr. Williams that he was welcome to visit his daughter on Sunday afternoon. Oh Brother,-- we could have none of this preference stuff, certainly not for a mere \$25,000, so we apprised our President of this intolerable situation and he calmly called Mr. Williams and asked him if he could arrange to come another time-----and all lived happily everafter.

Seniors at Tift "TOOK" the Round Table with great pomp and ceremony and after the "Taking" sat together for the remainder of the year. It was a tradition that our President always addressed us on this occasion. Dr. Chamlee said that had his daughter lived, she would have been in our class and he addressed us as if she were present. It was not morbid but very touching and impressive.

I always remembered his birthday with a note, telegram or call, and after Uncle Doc's death, 1948 (Uncle Doc always sent a Santa check of \$25 or more) he picked up the tab and sent Christmas checks to us. We loved him.

Allen Keith Chamlee, born 8-10-1877, died 10-30-1948, was the 9th of 14 children born to George Washington Chamlee (1840-1923) and Malinda Robertson Chamlee (1844-1927). Actually, he was the 7th son and therefore the nickname, Doc, because all 7th sons become doctors. With tongue in cheek, he claimed to be the only genuine doctor in his family, in as much as brother, Aquilla acquired his title by "degree" and he acquired his title by birth. This was a typical example of his wit and humor, which was enjoyed by friends and family alike.

This family of thirteen children, Emory died in infancy, was reared on a large farm 3 miles from Canton, Georgia in Cherokee County, which also had a grist mill on Chamlee Creek. So impressed was Allen Keith with the setting of his childhood home that he had an artist paint it from a photograph. It always hung over the mantel in his Sparta home. This was a happy family, there was lots of hard farm work to be done, many brothers and sisters to play with and no lack of discipline by their father. George Washington Chamlee insisted on work, regular church attendance and schooling. Despite the fact that he had little schooling himself, he was determined to give his children as much education as he could manage. In a letter to his soldier grandson, George Tilmon Chamlee, written May 18, 1919 to Fort Bliss, El Paso, Texas, he told how he managed the schooling. "We had one teacher in Canton that I paid a salary of \$75 every year for five years- kept a wagon and tram to haul the children 3 1/2 miles- bought books, clothes and fed them- it took all I ever made but I am glad I did it- I can show as nice lot of children as can be found in the world over- something I am proud of." After such training as he was given, Allen Keith furthered his education at Mercer University, Macon, Georgia.

Before moving to Sparta, Doc Chamlee was engaged in farming and mercantile businesses in Jenkinsburg, Butts County, Ga; Lovett, Ga. Laurens County; and in Warthen, Ga. Washington County in business with Mr. George Gilmore. While working in Warthen he met Berta Ivey who was visiting her sister, Mattie, a local teacher and they were later married. www.georgiapioneers.com

Berta Ivey was the daughter of Rev. Benjamin Henry Ivey (1848-1911) and Mattie Thompson (1856- 1886). She was born in Macon, Ga. Bibb County Jan. 12, 1880 and died in Ft. Valley, Ga. Dec. 30, 1958. As her father was a Baptist minister, they lived in many places. She was a year old when they moved to Gordon, Ga. where her other sisters and one brother were born. Her mother died when Mattie was 5 weeks old. Their next pastorate and home was Sandersville, Ga. where her father met and married Etta Daniel on Dec. 7, 1887. Rev. B.H. Ivey held pastorates also at Sisters Church out from Sandersville, Ochope out from Tennille, Sparta, Mitchell, Long Creek out from Warrenton and Hephzibah in Richmond County. Berta Ivey graduated from Sparta High School, and from Shorter College, Rome, Ga.

There were two daughters, Benita and Venia, born to this couple. Venia was given a family name which was first given by Tilmon and Kindness Light Chamlee to their 2nd daughter, Nancy Luvenia Chamlee (1833-1898) who married Miles N. Holden of Cherokee County. It was next given by George Washington and Malinda Robertson Chamlee to their 2nd daughter, Nancy Luvenia Chamlee (1867-1949) who married Rev. John Henry Johnston.

Benita and Venia attended Bessie Tift College, Forsyth, Ga. (as did I) while their uncle, Dr. Aquilla Chamlee, was President. Both graduated, Benita becoming Uncle Quills' Secretary. While working in Forsyth, she met and married Dr. Malcolm Taylor, Pharmacist. They made their home in Ft. Valley, Ga. where he owned a drug store. Their only child, Keith Taylor, born 1939, died during her freshman year at the University of Georgia.

Venia taught mathematics in the high schools of Gainesville, Griffin, Savannah and after obtaining her Masters Degree at Columbia University, New York, became a Mathematics Consultant for the Georgia State Department of Education. She is retired and also makes her home in Fort Valley, Georgia.

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Uncle Doc was a successful business man, owning a furniture store in Sparta and having extensive farming and cattle operations in the county. He was a deacon in the Sparta Baptist Church, taking this position very seriously. He also sang in the choir, was interested in politics (but not in running), loved his family deeply, and he and Aunt Ta made their home a welcome place for both his and her families.

The huge front porch, which framed two sides of their house, had at least a dozen large Brumby chairs, rockers, which were usually occupied and enjoyed by relatives, friends and neighbors. Aunt Ta set a table which was like that written of to describe true hospitality, of the southern type and that at its best. Family reunions on both sides were held here, summer visitors were the rule, not the exception and from four to six teachers were usually boarding upstairs. As I recall, Uncle Doc and Uncle Beck took turns celebrating their August birthdays together. My husband, George Tilmon Chamlee, came to live with them and work in the furniture store when he was discharged from the army after World War I.

The Chamlee brothers seemed to have run in packs, Tilmon P., George Washington, Robert and Kellar went to the Chatanooga Tenn. area while the younger brothers Aquilla, Allen Keith and Alexander Stephens came to the Washington County area. Aquilla Chamlee pastored churches in the neighboring counties of Washington and Hancock, in fact the Island Creek Church. ~~When he pastored that church from April 1894 until October 1895 when he resigned in order to go to the Theological Seminary. Allen Keith began working in Warthen and Alexander Stephens (Beck) located in Bartow with extensive farming interests. All three found wives in this area, Uncle Quill married Mamie Louise Beck of Tennille, Uncle Doc married Berta Ivey, and Uncle Beck married Sue Warthen of Sandersville, Ga.~~

During the 1920's, Victoria Chamlee Keith (1863-1945) the oldest child of the George Washington Chamlee Family, came from Selma, California to visit her people, and made the Doc Chamlee home in Sparta her headquarters. Daughter Goldie came with her. Brothers from Chattanooga, relatives from Atlanta, Canton, Bartow and Eustis Florida paid visits while she was there. She never came again. Snapshots, taken while she visited, show the marked resemblance of all to each other and in particular to their mother, Malinda.

Aunt Ta and Uncle Doc were as good to George and me, and we are honored to have a grandson named for Uncle Doc. He is Alan Barrett Chamlee, born April 23, 1966, son of Tilmon and Anne Barrett Chamlee of Macon, Georgia.

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This good and beloved man died at age 71 and is buried with his wife in the Sparta cemetery .

Rev. Benjamin Henry Ivey (1848-1911)

I. Rev. Benjamin Henry Ivey b 4-4-1848, D 8-1911; Married 1st Mattie Thompson
b 10-26-1856, D 12-17-1886

A. Beulah Ivey married Carlos Duggan; 2 step-daughters, Martha and Mary Duggan.
B. Berta Ivey b 1-12-1880 d 12-30-1958; married Allen Keith Chamlee b 8-10-1877,
d 10-30-1948. Both buried Sparta Cemetery.

(1) Benita Chamlee married Dr. Malcolm Taylor, Pharmacist, Ft. Valley, Ga.

(2) Venia Chamlee, Retired teacher, Lives in Ft. Valley, Ga.

C. Benjamin Lodrick Ivey

(1) Benjamin Henry Ivey, dec.

(2) Margaret Ivey

(3) Tom Ivey

(4) Bidwell Ivey

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(5) Martha Ivey died when child of diptheria

D. Bessie Ivey married W.F. Brown Sr. Lived in Florida

(1) Kathleen Brown Jenkins

(2) Evelyn Brown Hunt, deceased

(3) W.F. Brown Jr., deceased

E. Mattie Ivey married Florence Braddy Underwood

(1) Beulah Underwood, Retired Teacher, Alpharetta, Ga.

(2) Ivey Underwood, deceased

I. Rev. Benjamin Henry Underwood Ivey, Married 2nd Etta Daniel (Genny) b 3-21-1862,
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Washington Co. Ga. d Molena, Ga. 11-1953

A. Mary Ivey married W.O. Jordan, Molena, Ga.

(1) Benjamin Thomas Jordan

This is copy of a letter written to Aunt Ta by Uncle Quill. Venia and Benita gave it to George Harvey. It wasn't dated but Aunt Ta died Dec., 30, 1958 so it was before then.

My dear Berta,

I am glad to hear that you are getting ^{along} even fairly well.

I am not quite sure of one or two points in the family history but am sure that all but one or two are correct.

William Chamlee married Miss Seago in Cherokee County some five miles east of Canton.

Tilmon Chamlee, son of William Chamlee, married Kindness Light. This was about 1835. George W. Chamlee, son of Tilmon Chamlee, was born in April 1840, and he married Malinda Robertson in 1862. This is our father and mother.

"Grandsir" Seago was a captain in the Army (I do not know if it was 1812 or 1776). He must have been my father's great grandfather.

The land lot on which Anderson S.C. is located was first deeded to a soldier named Chamlee. An Anderson lawyer told me that he had looked at the record. That was either one of our ^{www.georgiainc.org} ancestors or a brother to one from which we descended. John (Jack) Robertson was born in Hall County, Ga and married Elizabeth (Liza or Lou) Lynch in the early 1830's. They were the parents of Malinda Robertson, my mother. I have so little of the Robertson family tree. T.H. Robertson of Gainesville is a cousin of mother. Venia knows him, I think. He may have family history that you would like to keep.

My grandmother Robertson had a brother named Charlie; she talked about an Uncle Charlie Lynch. Was this the famous family of Virginia for whom Lynchburg was named? Might be.

Sorry I cannot do better than this.

Lots of love

By Dr. Aquilla Chamlee
Geor W Chamlee born April 3, 1840, died June 15, 1923. Malinda Robertson Chamlee born February 11, 1844, died June 19, 1927. Married March 6, 1862.

This is precious information.
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Lillie Archer Chamlee

Nov. 15, 1976

Dear Lillie,

Sorry not to have answered your letter promptly. I was ill for several weeks in October and on an antibiotic, so did not go to Canton until Nov. 6. Jerry went with me to check on the Ponder cemetery.

We find the Ponder cemetery next to the Buffington school, no church nearby. There are graves with very old rock headstones and no markings at all. We drove on up the road about three miles to the Harmony Hardshell Baptist Church where there is also a graveyard and did some searching. There are Bates and Henderson markers as far back as 1853. (In Ponders about the oldest legible marker was 1913 date of death). There was a funeral in progress at the Church but a lady who was out in the cemetery turned out to be someone I went to school with (Mrs. Edwin Bell, nee Katie Beavers). She said ~~William George Henderson~~ from the Birmingham community was buried in the Green Cemetery, back toward Canton about four miles. We also found this one, but none of the markers were legible. The Harmony Church was originally on this location. ~~These are a long way from where Grandfather George Chamlee lived.~~ Jerry said he would ask John Keith, a neighbor, (of the original Keithsburg family) if he could shed any light on this.

In the meantime, can you write me where to go to get a listing of the people buried in these old places. I will be happy to do it. -- I just don't know where to start. I had resolved to ask the undertaker where the Ponder cemetery was, but Jerry knew.

Love,
Nell

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Nell Chamlee Howard

Aug.23,1975

Dady George has joined the seach for CHAMBLEES and has come up with this. It is quoted.

School children of the United States are thoroughly briefed on the three great Colonial Captains,namely Capt.John Smith, Capt. Miles Standish and Capt.Christopher Jones of the Mayflower. What thry do not know is that there were not three but four of these captains. The fourth was Canadian and French, Capt. Jacques Chambly.

Like Capt.John Smith,Capt.Chambly was a professional soldier, a Colonel in the Hungarian Army against the Turks. When that war was over, Col.Chambly returned to France where he joined up with the Carignan Salieres regiment. He had to accept a reduction in rank to get with them, to Captain.

When the Iroquois threatened to destroy all the French Colonies in Canada, the French King sent over the Carignan Salieres Regiment.

If you get a map of Canada and Northern New York, you will see that the St Lawrence river runs across it in a generally East-West direction.If you look down into Northern New York you will see that Lake George,Lake Champlain and the Richlieu River form a waterway running due North like an arrow, finally running into the St.Lawrence. It was this water highway which reached across fromt the New York home of the Iroquois directly into Canada and which the Iroquois traveled incessantly in their war against the French.

When the French chose a military leader for their struggle against the Iroquois, oddly enough they did not choose the Colonel of the Regiment, whose name I can't find, but Capt.Chambly was placed in total command of the entire St.Lawrence.

The Iroquois had a system where they would travel up their Lake George-Champlain, Richlieu water highway to the place where it was closest to Montreal, then they would disembark and go to work.

The first thing Capt.Chambly did was build a fort right at the crossroads and named it Fort St.Louis. It has never been called this. If you look on your map today, it is Fort Chambly. That winter Capt.Chambly,with the French forces, invaded the Iroquois homeland and forced a peace that lasted over twenty years.

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(Sorry I can't tie you to the hero. Mama Lillie)