

TIMELINE for Cornelia Johns Family Line
(Mar 4, 2022)

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TIMELINE for Cornelia Johns and Johns family line

~**1550** – **John Thomas Johns** born in probably England. Married **Elizabeth Van Dyke** (~1550-unk). Son: Sir Thomas Johns. Elizabeth Van Dyke (born in probably England)

~**1565** – **Sir Thomas Johns** born in Abermarlais, Carmarthenshire, Wales, Unk Mother. Died May 18 1608. Son: Sir Henry Johns. (Father: Sir Henry Johns, Mother: Elsbeth Herbert)

<https://www.geni.com/people/Sir-Thomas-Johns/6000000008451481298?through=6000000023414757118>

1600 – **Sir Henry Johns** born in Wales. Died 1666. Married **Elizabeth Herbert**. Son: Thomas Johns

<https://www.geni.com/people/Henry-Johnes/6000000023414757118?through=6000000008451481298>

1623 – **Thomas Johns** born Bristol, Gloucestershire, England. Married **Jane Pilston** (1620-1658)

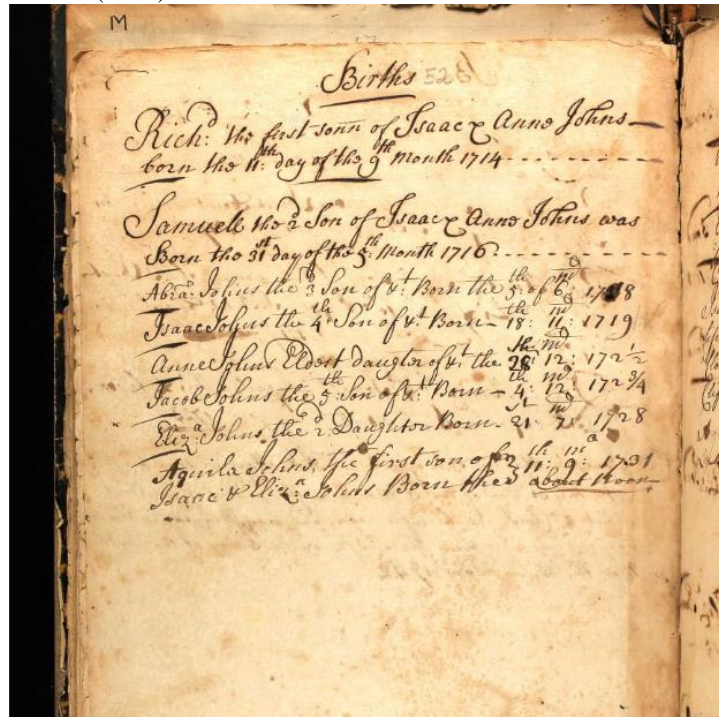
Not confident in accuracy prior to **Richard Johns** (above lines) See bottom of 7m for more.

~~~1580 – Richard Johns (England), Mother UNK (possible alternative to above.~~

**1649, March 29** – **Richard Johns** born in Bristol, England. Quaker Preacher. **Immigrated to Maryland in 1669**. Married **Elizabeth Kinsey** (1642-1716 or 1651-Feb 1, 1714) on 7 July 1676. She was born in Cheshire, England. Richard Johns died: Dec 16, 1717. *Additional info below.*

**1692, March 10** – **Isaac Johns** born in Scientists Cliffs, Calvert, Maryland. Married **Ann Galloway** (1695-1728). Isaac died 17 Feb 1734, buried in Calvert, Maryland. Son: Jacob Johns  
~~**1703-1734** – **Dr. Richard Johns** in Calvert Cliffs, Maryland. Married Margaret Banket and NN~~

**1723, Dec 4** – **Jacob Johns** born in Charleston or Beaufort, SC. Married **Patience Wells** (1744-1818) in 1764. Jacob died Jan 8, 1817 in **Wayne County, GA**. Son: Cornelius Johns  
 Below Quaker Meeting Record shows Jacob Johns (1723) as the 5<sup>th</sup> son of Isaac Johns.



**1774** – **Cornelius Johns** born in Charleston, SC. Married **Elizabeth Sparkman** (1793-1854) in 1818. Served in War of 1812. Moved to Florida in 1817. Died 1838 in Alachua County, Florida. Son: William M. Johns.

**~1823** – **William (Wiley) M. Johns** born in Putnam, FL. Married **Ellender Hall** (1817-unk). Died ~1870 in FL. (In 1860, lived in Gadsden near Tallahassee). Died: ~1863-1870 in Florida. Daughter: **Cornelia Johns**

**1839** – **Cornelia Johns** born in Florida. Married **Crawford H. Bass**. Believe to have died giving birth to **William R. Bass** in 1864. *Ancestry.com 1850 census shows her as 11 years old.*

**1860** - Per Census: In 1860 **Cornelia Johns** is 22 years old and is living with the James Garner family in Welaka, Florida. She is a seamstress. Her family lives in the area not far away.

**1864** – **Cornelia Johns** died giving birth to **William R. Bass**.

1850 Census for 4<sup>th</sup> District, Marion County, Fla (taken 2 Dec 1850). Cornelia is age 11.

|     |     |                 |    |   |        |
|-----|-----|-----------------|----|---|--------|
|     |     |                 | 16 | f |        |
|     |     | Christophus C " | 1  | m |        |
| 364 | 364 | Wm M. Johns.    | 27 | m | farmer |
|     |     | Eleudor "       | 33 | f |        |
|     |     | Cornelia "      | 11 | f |        |
|     |     | Thomas "        | 10 | m |        |
|     |     | Cornelius "     | 8  | m |        |
|     |     | Fational "      | 6  | f |        |
|     |     | Irene "         | 4  | f |        |
|     |     | Christopher W " | 2  | m |        |
|     |     | Wm A "          | 1  | m |        |

185x – Cornelius Johns, (possibly Cornelia's brother) was a Pvt in the Second Regiment of Florida Mounted Militia. ( <https://ufdc.ufl.edu/UF00047719/00006/62j> )

1860 Census for 20<sup>th</sup> Division of Putnam, Florida (taken June 1860). **Cornelia** is a 22 year old Seamstress. In 1862, **Crawford Bass** comes home sick from the CSA. In 1864, **William Robert Bass** is born and **Cornelia** dies, presumably during childbirth.

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SCHEDULE 1.—Free Inhabitants in 20<sup>th</sup> Division in the County of Putnam State of Florida enumerated by me, on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of June 1860. Geo. J. Johnson Ass't Marshal.  
Post Office Wetclaw

| 1                                                                                                  | 2  | 3                                                                                                       | DESCRIPTION. |      |                            | VALUE OF ESTATE OWNED.                                                                  |                       | 10                        | 11                                                       | 12                       | 13                               | 14                                                                 |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                                                                    |    |                                                                                                         | 4            | 5    | 6                          | 7                                                                                       | 8                     |                           |                                                          |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| Dwellings in the order of valuation.                                                               |    | The name of every person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1860, was in this family. | Age.         | Sex. | Whether colored or insane. | Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male and female, over 15 years of age. | Value of Real Estate. | Value of Personal Estate. | Place of Birth, Naming the State, Territory, or Country. | Married within the year. | Attended school within the year. | Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict. |
|                                                                                                    |    |                                                                                                         | Mary Causey  | 1    | f                          |                                                                                         |                       |                           |                                                          | Ga                       |                                  |                                                                    |
| 2                                                                                                  |    | Margzeth Brown                                                                                          | 77           | "    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           |                                                          |                          | 1                                |                                                                    |
| 3                                                                                                  | 8  | James Garner                                                                                            | 49           | m    |                            | Farmer                                                                                  | 500                   | 300                       | Fla                                                      |                          | 1                                |                                                                    |
| 4                                                                                                  |    | Mary A.                                                                                                 | 39           | f    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 5                                                                                                  |    | Emory                                                                                                   | 6            | m    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 6                                                                                                  |    | Wm. H.                                                                                                  | 2            | "    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 7                                                                                                  |    | Cornelia Johns                                                                                          | 22           | f    |                            | Seamstress                                                                              |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 8                                                                                                  |    | James Garner                                                                                            | 21           | m    |                            | Farm Laborer                                                                            |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 9                                                                                                  |    | Andrew J.                                                                                               | 13           | "    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 10                                                                                                 | 9  | J. R. Saunders                                                                                          | 65           | "    |                            | Farmer                                                                                  | 1000                  | 6000                      | Fla                                                      |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 11                                                                                                 |    | J. G.                                                                                                   | 29           | "    |                            | Farm Laborer                                                                            |                       |                           | Ga                                                       |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 12                                                                                                 |    | Carolina                                                                                                | 30           | f    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 13                                                                                                 | 10 | Ananda Hym                                                                                              | 35           | "    |                            | Seamstress                                                                              |                       | 200                       | Fla                                                      |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 14                                                                                                 |    | Cornelia                                                                                                | 8            | "    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 15                                                                                                 |    | Mary                                                                                                    | 1            | "    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | Fla                                                      |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 16                                                                                                 | 11 | Jo. W. Lutan                                                                                            | 40           | m    |                            | Laborer                                                                                 |                       | 1000                      | Fla                                                      |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 17                                                                                                 |    | Mary                                                                                                    | 35           | f    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 18                                                                                                 |    | Vivian                                                                                                  | 16           | "    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 19                                                                                                 |    | George                                                                                                  | 14           | m    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | Fla                                                      |                          | 1                                |                                                                    |
| 20                                                                                                 |    | John                                                                                                    | 10           | "    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          | 1                                |                                                                    |
| 21                                                                                                 |    | William                                                                                                 | 9            | "    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          | 1                                |                                                                    |
| 22                                                                                                 |    | Mary                                                                                                    | 6            | f    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 23                                                                                                 |    | Sarah                                                                                                   | 4            | "    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 24                                                                                                 |    | Agnes                                                                                                   | 2            | "    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 25                                                                                                 |    | Lucy                                                                                                    | 1/2          | "    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 26                                                                                                 | 12 | B. H. Shook                                                                                             | 30           | m    |                            | Laborer                                                                                 | 300                   | 300                       | Fla                                                      |                          | 1                                |                                                                    |
| 27                                                                                                 |    | Nancy L.                                                                                                | 32           | f    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | Fla                                                      |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 28                                                                                                 |    | Ida                                                                                                     | 6            | "    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 29                                                                                                 | 13 | Gabriel Priest                                                                                          | 77           | m    |                            |                                                                                         | 2500                  | 8000                      | Mass                                                     |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 30                                                                                                 |    | Anna M.                                                                                                 | 53           | f    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | Fla                                                      |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 31                                                                                                 |    | Mary V. Selcox                                                                                          | 17           | "    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | Fla                                                      |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 32                                                                                                 |    | David S.                                                                                                | 15           | m    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          | 1                                |                                                                    |
| 33                                                                                                 |    | Nathan                                                                                                  | 11           | "    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          | 1                                |                                                                    |
| 34                                                                                                 | 14 | Isaac Johns                                                                                             | 40           | "    |                            | Laborer                                                                                 |                       |                           | Fla                                                      |                          | 1                                |                                                                    |
| 35                                                                                                 |    | Betty                                                                                                   | 53           | f    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          | 1                                |                                                                    |
| 36                                                                                                 |    | Signe                                                                                                   | 8            | m    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 37                                                                                                 |    | George                                                                                                  | 6            | "    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 38                                                                                                 | 15 | William Dias                                                                                            | 35           | "    |                            | Laborer                                                                                 |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 39                                                                                                 |    | Olige                                                                                                   | 24           | f    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | Fla                                                      |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| 40                                                                                                 |    | John                                                                                                    | 4            | m    |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | "                                                        |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| No. white males, <u>40</u> No. colored males, _____ No. foreign born, _____ No. blind, _____       |    |                                                                                                         |              |      |                            |                                                                                         | 4,300                 | 15,800                    | No. idiotic, _____                                       |                          |                                  |                                                                    |
| No. white females, <u>40</u> No. colored females, _____ No. deaf and dumb, _____ No. insane, _____ |    |                                                                                                         |              |      |                            |                                                                                         |                       |                           | No. pauper, _____ No. convict, _____                     |                          |                                  |                                                                    |

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**Additional Information for Cornelius Johns:** ( <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/171908326/person/182243384007/hints?usePUBJs=true> )

*Cornelius Johns*

Cornelius Johns was born in **North** Carolina in the late 1700's. He moved to Florida before 1817. He married Elizabeth Sparkman in 1818, at Boggy Swamp Nassau County FL.

Cornelius Johns (Sr.) is listed in Florida records as having received a Spanish Land Grant (Alachua Co. Gen. site has documents) William Sparkman, his b-i-l also received a land grant. Cornelius had several son's, two were Burb (Bourbon) also spelled "Birb" in records and Cornelius Jr. who married Maria Alvarez (1st) then Rebecca Sylvester Barber (filed for widow's pension in FL) Cornelius & Burb are buried at Oak Ridge Cemetery in Orlando, FL on Sandlake Rd. Marzella Keene, Burb's wife is also buried there along with several of the subsequent generations. Cornelius son's are scattered, Andrew Jackson Johns and his wife Rebecca Patrick Johns are buried at Lake Hill Cemetery in Orlavista, FL on Old Winter Garden Rd. (Cary Hand Cemetery records are available at [centralfloridamemoryproject.com](http://centralfloridamemoryproject.com)) Issac Johns and his wife are buried at Ft. Ogden, FL and a third is buried at Greenwood Cemetery in Orlando, FL. Cornelius' first wife Maria died and is believed to be buried in Putnam Co. Cornelius Sr. and William Sparkman were close friends with Andrew Jackson and served under him during the War of 1812. There are documents in the Alachua archives with their signatures to do with the formation of the State of Florida. The Johns & Sparkman families intermarried several times in the Alachua, Bradford Co. areas. Many of the family gravemarkers are posted on [www.findagrave.com](http://www.findagrave.com)

1830 United States Federal Census Name: Cornelius Johns Home in 1830: Tampa Bay, Lochloosa Creek, Coster Ponds, New River, and Sampson River, Alachua, Florida Free White Persons - Males - Under 5: 2 Free White Persons - Males - 5 thru 9: 1 Free White Persons - Males - 10 thru 14: 1 Free White Persons - Males - 15 thru 19: 1 Free White Persons - Males - 40 thru 49: 1 Free White Persons - Females - Under 5: 1 Free White Persons - Females - 5 thru 9: 1 Free White Persons - Females - 10 thru 14: 1 Free White Persons - Females - 40 thru 49: 1 Free White Persons - Under 20: 8 Free White Persons - 20 thru 49: 2 Total Free White Persons: 10 Total - All Persons (Free White, Slaves, Free Colored): 10 1830 Alachua Co Fl census index Johns Cornelius 50 pg046.txt Eastern

Researched by Cliff Johns, CAPT USN RET

***Ft Mitchell FL 1814 (Posted by Cliff Johns (20 Apr 2018)***

In January of 1814 three Johns brothers, William, Isaac and **Cornelius**, all sons of Jacob Johns and Patience Wells of Colleton Co SC, joined a band of 125 men, mostly from Ga, and established Ft Mitchell in Alachua Co FL in what was then East Spanish Florida (FL didn't become a state until 1845), They all signed a petition to the President asking for aid in establishing Florida as a territory of America. I have this document in my files.

Ft Mitchell was a 25 by 25 square foot, two story blockhouse built about one half mile outside the city limits of present day Micanopy on a place called Payne's Prairie, the site of an Indian village and chief's headquarters. It was uncharted territory and very dangerous.

Ft Mitchell was abandoned in May of that year when no support was forthcoming. It passed unnoticed into history as a result. Seven years later many of the men came back to homestead the fertile land that they so loved.

All three Johns men went on to become among the earliest pioneers of Florida, although in various places.

A veteran of War of 1812 and a soldier in the Patriot War. In the District of Elatchaway, Fort Mitchell, East Florida, Cornelius was one of the 104 signers of the Petition to Congress for annexation of Florida for the United States from Spain. This spurred the US to get Florida 5 years later. ( <https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/232271223/cornelius-johns> )

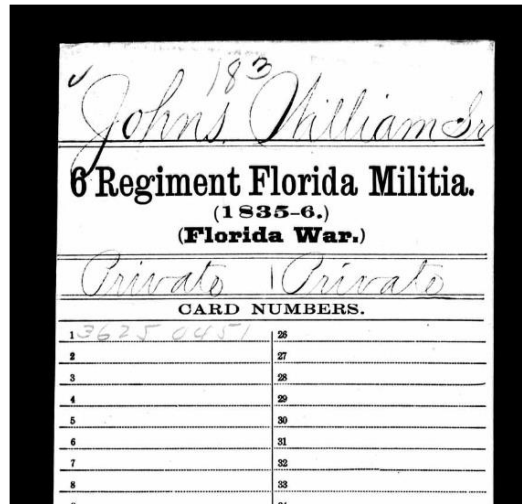
**Additional Information for William (Wiley) M. Johns:**

**Ellender Hall:** <https://www.familysearch.org/tree/person/details/LDZS-7Q5>

**Additional Information for Cornelius Johns:**

**Elizabeth Sparkman:** <https://www.familysearch.org/tree/person/details/K2WT-225>

<https://www.familysearch.org/tree/person/details/K2WT-225>



**Additional Information for Jacob Johns (Appears to be a wealthy plantation owner in SC)**

<https://www.familysearch.org/tree/person/details/GS6G-DLR>

**Patience Wells:** <https://www.familysearch.org/tree/person/details/G94T-D4L>

Posted by Cliff Johns 12 June 2012: Jacob Johns 1723/24, son of Isaac Johns and Ann Galloway of Anne Arundel/Calvert Co Md, is known to have "lately came" to SC from Md by his 1754 Petition for Land in SC cited here. He is evidently single at this time as he petitions only for 50 acres (100 was the norm for married couples), which is listed in the Memorial and in the Dutch Fork SC Book. The dates, names of bounding land owners, etc are the same in both documents. We know he was married to Patience by 1770 because of the deed cited to Warner Tucker. Also in 1769 Benjamin Wells conveys to Jacob and Patience the 100 acres cited. We know that Jacob was born prior to 1740 as determined by the age of his daughter Mary Johns Roden who appears in the Lowndes Co Ga 1850 census p. 402 at the age of 90. We also know that he was dead by 1813 as the SC land plat for Charles Jones in Colleton Co SC shows bounding land as "Est. of Jacob Johns". There is also a notation in the 1800 SC census for "John, Jacob B. Estate, St James, Santee" on page 177. If Jacob died in 1800 it seems likely that Patience lived on the property until 1817 when her children moved to Ga and the land was sold. It appears that Patience was much younger than her husband Jacob.

Patience Johns' maiden name has long been a question mark for even the most diligent researchers, including myself, and two deceased comrades, Vera Mallon and Burt Johns. In 1770 when they sold their 100 acres to Warner Tucker the deed clearly states that Benjamin Wells conveyed the land to them as an "estate of inheritance". I find the info pretty conclusive, as follows:

SC deed abstracts 1773-1778 - 22Nov1770 Jacob Johns and his wife Patience to Warner Tucker "The said grant of 100 acres has been made from Benjamin Wells to said Jacob Johns....that is to say said Jacob and Patience Johns now and is until the Execution etc. ...shall stand seized of good and Pure perfect and Indefeasible estate of inheritance." In the SC Memorials land registered to Jacob Johns and conveyed from Benjamin Wells there is no mention that the land was sold to him (it was granted). This evidence seems to say that Patience was the daughter of Benjamin Wells and wife Mary as the land was an inheritance and was not sold.

Patience could neither read nor write, evidently, since she had her name misspelled (spelled Pashents) on the 23 Jan 1817 deed which she signed with her mark. However, they had 11 children and established an estate of some 646 acres south of Charleston near Hilton Head. Too bad their heirs sold it for \$600

in 1817.

!Book L, Barnwell Co SC deed book dtd 9 Apr 1819.p.268-272. IGI.

Batch #: F500632, Sheet #: 49, Source Call #: 1553183

### **Additional Information for Isaac Johns:**

<https://www.familysearch.org/tree/person/details/LVF3-1QB>

### **Ann Galloway**

<https://www.familysearch.org/tree/person/details/L712-6TV>

### **Additional information on Richard Johns:**

<https://www.geni.com/people/Richard-Johns/6000000008451449241?through=6000000004086543499>

### **About Richard Johns**

(**Wife Elizabeth Kinsey:** <https://www.geni.com/people/Elizabeth-Johns/6000000007316744324?through=6000000004086543499> )

#### **Son: Isaac Johns**

JOHNS, RICHARD (1649-1717). BORN: in 1649, probably in Bristol, England.

IMMIGRATED: in 1669, as a free adult.

RESIDED: at "Angelica," Calvert County.

MARRIED in 1676 Elizabeth (?-1715/16), widow of Thomas Spar-row (?-1674), daughter of Hugh Kensey and wife Margaret.

CHILDREN. SONS: Abraham (1677-1707), who married Margaret (?-1733), daughter of Francis Hutchins (?-1698); Aquila (1679-1682); Aquila (1684/85-1709/10), who married in 1704, Mary Hosier (?-1762); Richard (1687-1719), who married Priscilla (1690-?), daughter of Francis Hutchins (?-1698); Kensey (1689-1729), who married Elizabeth Chew (?-1726/27); and Isaac (1692-1733/34), who married first, Ann Galloway (?-1728), and second, Elizabeth.

DAUGHTERS: Priscilla (1681/82-1725), who married Robert Roberts (?-1750); Margaret (1683-1 7497 50), who married Gerard Hopkins; and Elizabeth (1694-?), who married Henry Troth

PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Quaker; convinced by George Fox in 1671; leading figure in the Quaker community on the Western Shore; corresponded frequently with Friends in England; visited England in 1697 to lobby against the establishment of the Anglican church in Maryland.

OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: planter; merchant.

PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE. Lower House, Calvert County, 1694 (dismissed from the 1st session of the 1694-1697 Assembly because, as a Quaker, he was unable to subscribe to the required oaths).

STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: refused to take sides during the Revolution of 1689 when the Associators appealed to him to quell the opposition in Calvert and Anne Arundel counties: strongly opposed establishment of the Anglican church in Maryland.

WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: at least 1,387 acres in Calvert and Baltimore counties (patented in 1678 and 1685); acquired additional land by purchase; gave 1,412 acres to sons and son-in-law before his death.

WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: on December 16, 1717, in Calvert County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, at least £2,147.12.11 (including 44 slaves, plate valued at £45.1.6. books). LAND: 2,361 acres in Calvert and Talbot counties.

Buried: Clifts Monthly Meeting of the Society of Friends cemetery.

1. Fact 1: 8 MAY 1674 Purchased "Rattle Snake Hill", 200 acres from Thomas Truman who bought it in 1663.
2. Fact 2: 1671 "Convinced by George Fox to become a Quaker"
3. Fact 3: 1675 Settled in Clifts, Calvert Co., Md Bought Rattle Snake Hill, 200 acres.
4. Fact 4: 1697 Visited England to lobby against the establishment of the Anglican Church in MD.
5. Fact 8: 1694 Member of the Lower House in Calvert Co., MD
6. Fact 9. 1698 Returned from England yet again incidentally accompanied by the young Quaker enthusiast [Thomas Chalkley](#) (see page 29 of Chalkley's journal)

## Note:

- Johns, Rich., of the Clifts., Calvert Co., 15th June, 1717;

14th Jan., 1717-8. To grandson Richard and hrs. (eldest son of deceased son Abraham), two tracts made over to testator by Wm. Billingley, being 136 A., "Billingsley's

Swamp, and 150 A., Friendship Rectified; also 160 A., Fellowship, bou. of Wm. Dorrump, and all three tracts lying bet. the Clifts and the branches of Battle Creek. To grandson Abraham and hrs. (youngest son of deceased son Abraham), two tracts bou. of Wm. Williams, Sr. and Jr., Chance, cont. 108 A., the other adj. Dodson's Desire, cont. 100 A., also The Purchase, bou. of Thomas

Johns, these three tracts being in Calvert Co. and cont. 308 A.

Testator states that having made over by deed of gift to the hrs. of deceased son, Aquila, part of a tract called "Letchworth's Chance, cont. 400 A., it passed to Richard, eldest son of sd. Aquila.

To grandson Aquila and hrs. (youngest son of deceased son Aquila), a tract bou. of John Edmonson, 600 A., Cold Spring, " in freshes of Gr. Choptank R.

To son Richard and hrs. (having already made over to him by deed of gift the plan. where he dwells, being 300 A. of "Letchworth's Chance" afsd.), 300 A. Fuller.

To son Kensey and hrs. (having already made over to him part of tract called Meares, cont. 200 A., and also 100 A. adj., being part of a tract testator now lives on called Angellica), 100 A. of Angellica adj. part already given him, also 157½ A., White's Rest, bou. of James Bechamp, and 50 A., Chance, bou. of Wm. Griffen and his wife.

To son Isaac and hrs. (having already given him two tracts, 100 A., Batchelors Fortune, and 112 A., Johns Addition, remaining part of dwel. plan., Angellica.

To granddau. Rebecca Johns, personalty.

To son-in-law Robt. Roberts and hrs., 200 A. the s. side of "Grey's Chance" on the Clifts, being the plan. where he now dwells, and acquit him of an indebtedness to estate.

To dau.-in-law Eliza: Cole, Quakers on Western Shore, Sarah Day, Job Hunt and his brother Thos., personalty.

Residue of personal est. to be divided into 10 equal parts and allotted as follows:

- 2 pts. to child. of deceased son Abraham, as eldest son.
- \* 1 pt. to be equally divided among child. of deceased son Aquila.
- \* 1 pt. each to sons Richard, Kensey and Isaac.
- \* 1 pt. each to daus. Priscilla Roberts and Margaret Hopkins.
- The remaining 2 pts. to dau. Eliza: Troth, she not having had a full portion with her other sisters.
- Exs.: Sons Richard, Kensey and Isaac, jointly.
- Test: Geo. Harris, Jno. Wilkinson, Elizabeth Giles, Eliz. Wilkinson, An Harris. 14. 532.
  - Not "Codicil to above will dated 15th day of 6th month, 1717, directs that crop of tobacco now growing on all plans. be sent to England and sold there to cover indebtedness of testator to certain persons there.
  - Test. to codicil: Geo. Harris, Jno. Wilkinson, Eliz. Giles.
    - Sources:
      - 1. Title: Early Families of Southern Maryland

Author: Elise Jourdan

Repository:

Media: Book

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Text: Richard Johns bought 1/2 of Letchworth's Chance (1.100 acres total or 550 acres) in 1676 from Joseph Letchworth.

2. Title: Early Families of Southern Maryland

Author: Elise Jourdan

Repository:

Media: Book

Page: Vol 2, page 42

Text: Richard Johns overseer of will of Benjamin Lawrence, West River, Anne Arundel Co., written Jan 1684, probated 3 July 1685.

3. Title: Quakers in the Founding of Anne Arundel County, Maryland

Author: Kelly, J. Reany

Publication: 1963, Baltimore: Maryland Historical Society

Repository:

Media: Book

Page: 124

4. Title: To Maryland from Overseas

Author: Newman, Harry Wright

Publication: Baltimore, Genealogical Publishing

Repository:

Media: Book

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Text: Richard emigrated to Calvert Co., MD in 1670 and died in 1717. He was a Quaker, but did not fully comply with the Quaker philosophy in his personal life. He had over 1000 gallons of cider and 20 gallons of brandy in his cellar at the tie of his death. He also had silver table service and an extensive library. "He did not confine himself to the plain, austere black garb of the sect." He "assumed the life himself to the of a patrician at his plantation, with 44 negro slaves. It is a matter of publick record that he contributed heavily to the Monthly Meetings, perhaps a motive for this exemption from the rigidities of the sect."

5. Title: A Biographical Dictionary of the Maryland Legislature, 1635-1789

Author: Papenfuse, Edward C., et al

Publication: 1985, The Johns Hopkins University Press

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Text: Richard Johns was literate. He was a planter and merchant and also involved in legislative service. Member of the Lower House in Calvert Co. in 1694, but was dismissed from the first session of the 1694-1697 Assembly because as a Quaker, he was unable to subscribe to the required oaths. He refused to take sides during the Revolution of 1689 when the Associators appealed to him to quell the opposition in Calvert and Anne Arundel counties He strongly opposed the establishment of the Anglican Church in Maryland. He had at least 1387 acres in Calvert and Baltimore counties (patented in 1678 and 1685) when he was elected. He purchased additional land. He gave 1412 acres to sons and s-i-l before he died. He died on December 16, 1717 in Calvert County and was worth over 2,000 pounds, including 44 slaves, plate silver, books. He had 2,361 acres in Calvert and Talbot counties.

6. Title: Register Of Maryland's Heraldic Families

Author: Paran, Alice Norris

Publication: 1935, Series I, Barltimore, MD: Southern Maryland Society of Colonial Dames

Repository:

Media: Book

Page: 223

Text: Richard acquired Eltonhead Manor by purchase, after the death of Sir William Eltonhead, who was murdered by the Puritans on Severn River about 1650

7. Title: Karen L. Salisbury (deceased)

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At the time of his death he owned 2,361 acres of land in Calvert, and Talbot Counties in Maryland.

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Johns, Rich., of the Clifts., Calvert Co., 15th June, 1717;

14th Jan., 1717-8.

To grandson Richard and hrs. (eldest son of deceased son Abraham), two tracts made over to testator by Wm. Billingley, being 136 A., "Billingsley's Swamp," and 150 A., "Friendship Rectified"; also 160 A., "Fellowship," bou. of Wm. Dorrumples, and all three tracts lying bet. the "Clifts" and the branches of Battle Creek.

To grandson Abraham and hrs. (youngest son of deceased son Abraham), two tracts bou. of Wm. Williams, Sr. and Jr., "Chance," cont. 108 A., the other adj. "Dodson's Desire," cont. 100 A., also "The Purchase," bou. of Thomas Johns, these three tracts being in Calvert Co. and cont. 308 A.

Testator states that having made over by deed of gift to the hrs. of his deceased son, Aquilla, part of a tract called "Letchworth's Chance," cont. 400 A., it passed to Richard, eldest son of sd. Aquila.

To grandson Aquila and hrs. (youngest son of deceased son Aquila), a tract bou. of John Edmonson, 600 A., "Cold Spring," in freshes of Gr. Choptank R.

To son Richard and hrs. (having already made over to him by deed of gift the plan. where he dwells, being 300 A. of "Letchworth's Chance" afsd.), 300 A., "Fuller."

To son Kensey and hrs. (having already made over to him part of tract called "Meares," cont. 200 A., and also 100 A. adj., being part of a tract testator now lives on called "Angellica"), 100 A. of "Angellica" adj. part already given him, also 157½ A., "White's Rest," bou. of James Bechamp, and 50 A., "Chance," bou. of Wm. Griffen and his wife.

To son Isaac and hrs. (having already given him two tracts, 100 A., "Batchelors Fortune," and 112 A., "Johns Addition"), remaining part of dwel. plan., "Angellica."

To granddau. Rebecca Johns, personalty.

To son-in-law Robt. Roberts and hrs., 200 A. the s. side of "Grey's Chance" on the Clifts, being the plan. where he now dwells, and acquit him of all indebtedness to estate.

To dau.-in-law Eliza: Cole, Quakers on Western Shore, Sarah Day, Job Hunt and his brother Thos., personalty.

Residue of personal est. to be divided into 10 equal parts and allotted as follows:

2 pts. to child. of deceased son Abraham, as eldest son.

1 pt. to be equally divided among child. of deceased son Aquila.

1 pt. each to sons Richard, Kensey and Isaac.

1 pt. each to daus. Priscilla Roberts and Margaret Hopkins.

The remaining 2 pts. to dau. Eliza: Troth, she not having had a full portion with her other sisters.

Exs.: Sons Richard, Kensey and Isaac, jointly.

Test: Geo. Harris, Jno. Wilkinson, Elizabeth Giles, Eliz. Wilkinson, Anne Harris. 14. 532.

Note—Codicil to above will dated 15th day of 6th month, 1717, directs that crop of tobacco now growing on all plans. be sent to England and sold there to cover indebtedness of testator to certain persons there.

Test. to codicil: Geo. Harris, Jno. Wilkinson, Eliz. Giles.

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Birth: Mar. 29, 1649 Bristol, England Death: Dec. 16, 1717 Scientists Cliffs Calvert County Maryland, USA

Husband of Elizabeth Kensey Johns; Father of Abraham, Aquilla, Priscilla, Margrett, Aquilla(2), Richard, Kensey, Isaac and Elizabeth.

Richard Johns, father of this family, d. 16th day of 10th month, 1717, about 4 o'clock in the afternoon. (from monthly meeting minutes). In 1752, the English switched from the Julian to the Gregorian calendar, which would explain the difference in the date of death.

From FindAGrave Contributor Cliff Johns: "Richard Johns was born in Bristol, England, in 1649, and came to Maryland in his young manhood, the first patent to him for land there, "Rattlesnake Hill," being issued in 1674. He resided on first coming to Maryland with Friends and became convinced in their faith and principles, and later became an eminent minister of the Society. A Monthly Meeting was held at his house near the Cliffs in Calvert County, upwards of thirty years. Like many of the sect he shunned public office; declining to serve in the Colonial Legislature after having been elected to that body. He died December 16, 1717. He married, in 1676, Elizabeth, widow of Thomas Sparrow"

Name: Richard Johns Written: 15 Jun 1717 Codicil: 15 Jun 1717 Probate: 14 Jan 1718 Calvert County, Maryland Maryland Calendar of Wills 1635-1743 Volumes 14-16, 1714-1721 Pages 532 thru 535 - "In Maryland this 15th day of the Sixth Month In the year 1717 I Richard Johns of the Cliffs Calvert County In the Province of Maryland being of perfect mind and memory and understanding doe make this my Last will and testament. Impr. My Soul Spirit and body I resigne to God who gave it and in the Multitude of his Mercys have to this day preserved it alive to praise his holy name. It is my will and desire that all my just and due debts may be well and truely paid and Satisfied. Item I give and bequeath to my Grandson Richard Johns eldest son of my deceased son Abraham Johns two parcels of land that was made over to me by William Billingsly That is to say Billingsly Swamp Containing one hundred thirty and Six acres And part of Ffriendship Rectified one hundred and fifty Acres Land also a parcell of land I bought of William Dorrumpel called Ffellowship Containing one hundred and Sixty acres all the Land of three parcels of land lyeing between the Cliffs aforesaid and the branches of Battle Creek in Calvert County afores'd and containing in the whole four hundred forty and six acres to him my s'd Grandson Richard Johns and his heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Abraham Johns youngest Son of my deceased Son Abraham Johns two parcels of land that I bought of William Williams Sen'r and Jun'r the one Called Chance containing One hundred and eight acres the other adjoining called Dodsons Desire Containing one hundred acres As also a parcell of land I bought of Thomas Johns called Purchase the said three parcels of land lyeing in Calvert County afores'd and containing in the whole three hundred and eight acres to him my said Grandson Abraham Johns and to his heirs for ever. And Whereas I have per deed of Gift formerly made over to the heirs of my deceased son Aqilla Johns a part of a parcell of land called Letchworths Chance containing about four hundred acres which will be to my Grandson Richard the eldest son of my said deceased son Aquilla Johns and heirs I now hereby doe give and bequeath to my Grandson Aquilla Johns youngest Son of my said Deceased Son Aquilla a tract or parcell of land I formerly bought of John Edmonson called Cold Spring lying in the freshes of Great Choptank and containing by pattent Six hundred acres to him my s'd Grandson Aquilla Johns and to his heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my Son Richard Johns and his heirs for ever my plantation and parcell of Land called Fuller lyeing upon the Cliffs aforesaid and containing three hundred acres I haveing already made over to him per deed of Gift the Land and plantation where he now Dwells being part of Letchworths Chance containing about three hundred acres. - - - And Whereas I have formerly made over to my Son Kensey Johns the Moyety of a parcell of Land called Meares Containing about two hundred Acres And also one hundred Acres Adjoining being part of the tract of Land I now dwell upon - - - called Angellica I doe now hereby give & bequeath unto my son Kensey Johns one other hundred Acres part of my Said Tract of land called Angellica and adjoining to that I formerly gave him, I also give unto him my said son Kensey Johns that part of a tract of land called

White's Rest which I bought of James Beachamp Containing one hundred fifty Seven and a half acres And also that parcell of land I bought of William Griffin and his wife called Chance Containing fifty acres to him my said son Kensey Johns the s'd three parcells of land hereby given and bequeathed and to his heirs for ever. And whereas I have already made over to my son Isaac Johns two parcells of land called part of Batchelors Fortune Containing one hundred Acres and Johns Addition containing one hundred and twelve acres I doe now hereby give and bequeath unto my said son Isaac Johns and his heirs for ever the Plantation as remaining part of the Land whereon I now Dwell called Angellica the whole tract containing Six hundred acres, two hundred acres whereby I have already given to my son Kensey all the remaining part being the ffurther most four hundred Acres with all houseing and appurtenants thereunto belong & appertaining to him my Son Isaac Johns and his heirs for ever. And Whereas I formerly made an Agreement with my Son in law Robert Roberts for the Plantation and parcell of land Whereon he now Dwells, being two hundred Acres of land, the South Side of a tract of land called Greys Chance lyeing upon the Clifts aforesaid but the same was never as yet made over to him I doe therefore by this my Last will Give and bequeath the said two hundred acres of land and Plantation part of Grays Chance to him my s'd son in law Robert Roberts & his heirs for ever. I also hereby acquitt and hereby discharge him the s'd Robert Roberts from the ballance of all or my accounts that may be due from him to me. I Give to the Stock of my friends called Quakers on the western Shore for such Charitable uses as they shall see meet the sum of ten pounds. I give to my Daughter in law Elizabeth Cole the sume of five pounds a token of my love. I give to my Grand Daughter Rebecca Johns a little Negroe Girl called \_\_lena. I give to Sarah Day a Negro or Mollattoe Boy called Jago And a Girl called Bess with the Bed and furniture on which she usually Lodgeth And also the horse and Sadle she usually rides on it being for many years honest service done in this family ~ I give to Job Hunt and to his brother Thomas Hunt the Horse and Mare and Colt called theirs And also two Cowes and Calves to each of them for service done in this family. And my will and mind is that my Just Debts and Legacies being paid all the remaining part of my moveable estate of whatsoever kind Soever shall be divided into ten equal parts two of which parts I give to the Children of my deceased Son Abraham Johns as my eldest son and other part I will to be equally Divided amongst the children of my deceased Son Aquilla Johns one other part I will to my Son Richard Johns one other part to my son Kensey Johns, one other pat to my son Isaac Johns one other part to my Daughter Priscilla Roberts one other part to my Daughter Margaret Hopkins and the remaining two parts I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Troth for as much as that she have not as yet had a full proportion with her other Sisters land lastly I nominate and appoint my three Sons Richard Johns, Kensey Johns, and Isaac Johns to be Executors of this my last will and testament In witness and confirmation I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this day and year first above written Rich'd Johns {SEAL} Signed Sealed and published to be his last will and } testament of Rich'd Johns in the presence of us } George Harris Elizabeth Giles Anne Harris } Jno Wilkinson Elizabeth Wilkinson

The aforegoing Will was thus Entered Jan'y the 14th 1717 Then came George Harris, John Wilkinson, Elizabeth Giles Anne Harris and Elizabeth Wilkinson, Subscribing evidences to the within Will and did Solemnly affirm that they saw the Testator Signe Seale And Declare the within Instrument of writing As his last will and Testament, And that at the time of his Soe doeing he was to the best of the apprehension of Sound and perfect mind and memory Test Adderton Skinner Depty Commiss. Calvert County

To the aforegoing Will the following Codicil was Annexed - And as an addition to this my last will and Testament I doe will and it is my mind that this Crop of Tobacco now Growing upon all my plantation At the makeing this my last will and testament shall be sent to England upon the account and rique of my estate And the produce thereof in England Shall be for payment of money which now at the makeing of this my last will I am indebted to persons there and that I have made this as a Codicil or addition to my said last will and testament I have set my hand and Seal hereunto this 15th day of 6th month Anno Dom 1717 Rich'd Johns Signed and Sealed in the } presence of us } George Harris Jno Wilkinson Elizabeth Giles

The aforegoeing Codicil was thus Entered Jan'y the 14th 1717 - Then came George Harris, Jno Wilkinson and Eliz. Giles subscribing evidences to the within Codicil And did Solemnly affirm that they saw the Testator signe seale and Declare the within Instrument of writing to be a part of his last will and Testament and that at the time of his Soe doeing he was to the best of their apprehensions of Sound and perfect mind and memory (1553 \_\_:s) Test Adderton Skinner Depty Commiss. Calvert County"

Family links:

Spouse: Elizabeth Kinsey Johns (1651 - 1715) Children: Abraham Johns (1677 - 1707)\* Aquilla Johns (1679 - 1682)\* Priscilla Johns Roberts (1681 - 1725)\* Aquilla Johns (1685 - 1709)\* Richard Johns (1687 - 1719)\* Kensey Johns (1689 - 1729)\* Isaac Johns (1692 - 1734)\* Elizabeth Johns Stevens (1694 - 1772)\*

- Calculated relationship

Burial: Cliffs Monthly Meeting of the Society of Friends Scientists Cliffs Calvert County Maryland, USA

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Example of an early Florida Pioneer Dwelling (Ocala)



SUPPLEMENT TO THE JOHNS FAMILY HISTORY

Since the Johns family ancestral land tracts lay in Colleton County, SC, and since all Colleton County court records were burned in 1865 by the Union Army, I concluded that I had reached the end of the trail in pursuing any further information about the Jacob Johns family's land acquisitions in colonial South Carolina. After all, we had almost miraculously found the Jacob Johns deed only because the purchaser, Frederick Shupard, lived in neighboring Barnwell County and because their records survived the Civil War. It was only by sheer accident that a Johns researcher, Vera Mallon of Lakeland, found the deed there while researching another line.

Nevertheless, yesterday I decided to browse through the early SC Land Tract plat records, and to my complete surprise I found not only Jacob's survey but at least six more by his sons. The job is not finished yet, but the major ones are included here - they are just too rare to keep to myself any longer.

These documents completely authenticate the genealogy recorded on the Jacob Johns deed abstract that I included in the Johns Family History, first edition. A careful examination of these surveys reveals that Isaac, the second oldest son, not Jacob the father, was the first Johns to survey land in the forks of the Great Salkehatchie River in Charleston District (now Colleton County) on 5 Aug 1793, a 94 acre tract. Jacob, as we already know, did not have his land surveyed until 28 Jan 1797, some three and a half years later, possibly on his son's recommendation. We also learned that John T. Johns, the eldest son, had already gone further inland to the Rives Branch of the Edisto River in the Orangeburg District having his land surveyed on 9 Mar 1789. Nothing further is known about John at this time.

These surveys also show that William Johns, our direct ancestor, sold his land, 183 acres, in the forks of the Salkehatchie River to his brother, Levi, 19 Feb 1800, which is when he went south to Camden County, Ga. We know that his son, William Jr., was born there in 1801, that he was on the tax rolls for 1809, as was Levi, who evidently decided to follow his brother again.

A summary of these surveys provides the following chronology:

John T. Johns survey - 9 Mar 1789 - 260 a. Orangeburg District  
Isaac Johns survey - 5 Aug 1793 - 94 a. on forks of Salkehatchie  
Isaac Johns survey - 24 Nov 1796, 207 a. Sedare Br. "  
Jacob Johns survey - 28 Jan 1797, 346 a. great fork of "  
Isaac Johns survey - 31 Jan 1797, 246 a. forks of S. at Cross Swamp  
Wm. Johns survey - 19 Feb 1800, 183 a. forks of Big&Little S.  
Wm. Johns survey - 20 Apr 1811, 300a. on Great PeeDee River,  
Marlborough District. (Doesn't fit the migratory pattern. But this  
is the same William who travelled through Indian lands to the  
Mississippi Territory in 1803 and again in 1804).

Not confident in accuracy prior to Richard Johns (above lines) and have not been able to verify but documenting here for future study. Based on the Granger family tree and work done by a Linda Bates has the following:

Tudwal ApEinudd (1031-1075) b: Wales d: Wales m: Unk

Dinawal ApTudwal (1070- 1128) b: Wales d: North Wales / m: **Dyddgu Verch Iorwerth** b: Radnorshire, Wales d: 1108 Somme, Picardie, France

Llywarch Lord Cwmmddw (1100-1150) b: Anglesey Wales d: Carnwyllion, Carmarthenshire, Wales / m **Rhael Verch Gronwy** b: 1111 Carmarthenshire, Wales d: 1154 Wales

Einion Ap Llywarch (1130-1164) b: Carmarthenshire, Wales d: Wales m: **Ann Verch Llewelyn**

Gronwy ApEinion (1160-1206) b: Carnwyllion, Carmarthenshire, Wales d: Wales m: **Lliwelydd V Einion**

Rhys ApGronwy (1190-1246) b: Carnwyllion, Carmarthenshire, Wales d: Carmarthenshire, Wales m: **Gwladus Ferch Cadwgon**

Elidir Ap Rhys (1220-1283) b: Carnwyllion, Carmarthenshire, Wales d: Wales m: **Gladis Verch Philip.**

Elidir Ddu ApElidir (1246-1385) b: Carmarthenshire, Wales d: Wales m: **Verch Madog Hyddgam**

Phillip Ap Elidar FitzUryan (1320-1420) b: Dyenevor, Glam Wales d: Wales m: **Gladys Fras verch David**

Nicolas Ap Philip 1 (1357-1393) b: Maenordeilo, Carmarthenshire, Wales d: Wales m: **Jonet (Jennett) Verch Gruffudd**

Gruffudd ap Nicholas (1393-1460) b: Maenordeilo, Carmarthenshire, Wales d: Hereford, Herefordshire England m: **Mabli Dwnn**

Thomas Hynaf Ap Gruffudd (1418-1474) b: Carmarthenshire, Wales d: Iceland m: **Elizabeth Griffith**

Sir John Thomas Ap Thomas Johnes (1460-1544) b: Truffyd, England d: Abermarles, Carmarthenshire, Wales m: **Elizabeth Vaughan**

Sir Thomas Johns Johnes Jones (1480-1559) b: Bredwardine, Herefordshire, England d: same m: **Mary de Berkeley Lady**

Sir Henry Johns Johnes Barnet of Abermarles (1535-1574) b: Carmarthen, Carmarthenshire, Wales d: Pembrokeshire, Wales m: **Elizabeth Herbert**

Thomas Johns (1560-1604) b: Bristol, Somerset, England d: Abermarlais, Pembrokeshire, Wales m: **Jane Pilston**

Richard Thomas Johns (1649-1717) AS DOCUMENTED ABOVE IN TIMELINE