

(Introduction Continued)

Joseph Humphries Jr. was born in 1702. Joseph was our fourth Great Grandfather. Joseph married first, Elizabeth Tigner. This is the mother of Uriah, our third Great Grandfather, and the one we have researched.

Any one researching Uriah Humphries knows he was quite a character. This third Great Grandfather of ours had a family in Virginia, and one in Georgia, also we believe two or three children in between.

Uriah Humphries was a wealthy man in his land holdings. Records show Uriah owned vast amounts of land in Virginia and Georgia. Other records show Uriah owning property in North Carolina, Kentucky, and Tennessee.

Elijah Humphries our Great Great Grandfather was the son of Uriah and Nancy. Nancy being the wife of Uriah in Georgia after his divorce from Sarah in Virginia. Elijah inherited some of Uriah's land in Georgia, evidently he sold it and moved to Randolph County, Alabama. In Alabama, Elijah was a farmer and a politician. Elijah returned to Georgia before his death and built a home that still stands.

Elijah's son Joseph was our Great Grandfather, and he was born in Georgia. He moved with his father to Randolph County, Alabama. Joseph and family moved from Randolph County, to Calhoun County, Alabama. We also found Joseph's family in Walker County, also Monroe County, Mississippi. Joseph came back to Walker County, Alabama before his death in 1898.

Noah Asbury Humphries, the son of Joseph and Mary Jane (Polly) McCullars Humphries, was our Grandfather. Noah was born in Calhoun County, Alabama, and moved with his parents to Walker County, Alabama. We also find Noah and wife Lula, living in Winston County, Alabama. Noah lived for some time in Monroe County, Mississippi. At the time of Noah's death he was living in Winston County, Alabama. Grandpa Noah had 9 brothers and 1 sister, all of them born in Calhoun and Randolph Counties of Alabama. All of them lived in Walker and Winston Counties of Alabama, at one time. Most of them raised their families in these two counties, with the exception of Jim, David, and Eliza Jane. They moved to Mississippi. Eliza Jane was the only daughter in this family, and at this time we have not found any of her descendants. We have very little information on Mark, Jim, and John William Humphries, but we will continue searching for their descendants.

A large portion of this book is concerned with the ancestry of Joseph and Mary Jane's children. The children are Andrew, Elijah(Uncle Iige), Joseph Nathan(Uncle Joe), John William, Ransom(Dock), Noah Asbury, Mark, James(Jim), David S., Eliza Jane, and a son George that died before the age of ten.