

DENMARK FAMILY

WILLIAM b.ca1708 m.1730 **MOURNING MITTON MOYE** (b.ca1718) at Bathtown,Nc. Occupation:Blacksmith

William may have been a son or grandson of John Denmark who was born in England in 1679 and had at least one son, Francis. There are also those who say that his mother's maiden name was Susannah Batchelor since a Susannah Denmark, on June 7, 1748, appeared in the Hyde County court to register a mark for her cattle. Her maiden name was Batchelor, the middle name given to William Denmark's son. William Denmark lived in Woodstock Town, Hyde County, Nc. where he ran a blacksmith shop from 1734 to 1750.

William and his family lived at Denmark's Point in Hyde County, an area that now lies under the waters of the Pungo (once Machapungo) River. The names are known of only three of William and Mourning Denmark's children, William Batchelor, Abigail and Sarah Margaret. He died sometime before June 1758 because in deed records of that month his son, William Batchelor Denmark, is referred to as an "orphan".

Some deeds relating to him in "Hyde County North Carolina Record of Deeds Book A (1736-1762), by Allen Wilkinson Hart Norris are:

[1] William Denmark witnessed a deed made March 6, 1738/39 where John Barrow, planter, sold to James Barrow, cooper, both of Bath County, 486 acres for 150 pounds (p. 5). The land was located on the south side of Machapungo River.

[2] He witnessed a deed on June 3, 1741 for the sale of 200 acres on the east side of the Machapungo River, for 80 pounds, by Deliverance Weeks to James Arthur, planter (p. 7).

[3] By a deed dated March 25, 1747, Littleton Eborn and his wife Elizabeth sold to William Denmark, blacksmith, of Hyde Precinct, Bath County, Province of North Carolina, for 250 pounds, 270 acres on the north side of Matchapungo Creek and the south side of Broad Creek. This land was patented by Henry Eborn on October 5, 1730 and willed to his son Littleton.

[4] On May 15, 1750, William Denmark and his wife, Mourning, sold to Richard Leirmont, "chapman", all of Hyde County, for 14 pounds, 15 acres on the west side of the Matchapungo River beginning at Mr. Cullom Pollocks corner on the river, down the river to the creek mouth, up the gut and with the branch of said gut to the head of the swamp to Pollocks line, down Pollocks line to the 1st station. Mourning Denmark relinquished her right of dower.

fter the death of William Denmark, his son, William Batchelor Denmark, planter of Pitt County, who inherited the 270 acres above from his father, and his wife Mary sold it on August 27, 1766 to Stephen MackDowell, turner, of Hyde County for 20 pounds (Hyde Co., NC DB-B, p. 194). (This amount appears to be too small if the sales price given above is correct.)

1. **ABIGAIL** b.29Sep1831

2. **WILLIAM BATCHELOR** b.ca1743 m.(1) ca1766 Mary Moye (b.ca1745 Ireland d.1793, d/o John & Anna Moye)

(2) 1794 **ANNA MOYE** (b.ca1747 Nc., d/o John & Anna Moye) at Nc. d.1821 Warren Co,Ga.

Notes: William appears to have had to parallel families, one by Mary Moye and one by Anna Moye, her sister. Mary's family appears in brackets. William declared in court, 27Aug1766 at Woodstock,Hyde,Nc. that he was the son of William Denmark, blacksmith, deceased. He inherited everything under the Law of Primogeniture.

William Batchelor Denmark, a son of William and Mourning Denmark, served during the American Revolution in Captain Jesse Bryan's Company of North Carolina Militia. He was allowed pay for his war service and for provisions he supplied the Army. William B. and his wife Mary, resided on the West side of the Matchapungo River until 1766 when they moved to the western part of Craven County near the Pitt County line, near Fort Barnwell. The father of the Revolutionary War hero was also a William Denmark, whose wife was named Mourning. He was a blacksmith and was living at "Denmark's Point" in Hyde County as early as 1736 and died there soon after 1751.

Sometime before 1790 William Batchelor Denmark, who had served in the Revolution, moved to Effingham County in Georgia. With him came his son Stephan and his brother Seaborn Denmark and in that year they recorded their stock marks. The following year William was granted 500 acres "partly opposite flatford on the Great Road, North side of the Great Ogeechee River and 200 acres on the Southside of the Great Ogeechee." Stephan bought 300 acres in 1791 on IronMonger Creek from Governor John Adam Treutlin's son John. Other extensive land holdings of the Denmarks were located in Bulloch County, Gerogia after that county was created in 1791. A family problem arose on the Eastside that caused the Denmark's to settle on the Westside of the Ogeechee in Bulloch County. The Georgia Gazette states that a man named Denmark may have shot and killed a young man named Levi Dykes.

On his father's death, sometime before 1758, William Batchelor Denmark inherited his father's land in Hyde County, North Carolina. This land was originally patented by Henry Eborn on October 5, 1730 and willed to his son Littleton Eborn who then sold it to William Denmark, "blacksmith". In Pitt County in 1766, William Batchelor Denmark and his wife, Mary Moye Denmark, sold that land to Stephen MackDowell. A deed from William Batchelor and Mary Denmark, dated August 27, 1766, conveyed 270 acres on the North side of the Machapungo River and the south side of Broad Creek, referred to as land he inherited from his father (Hyde Co., NC DB-B, p. 194-195), to Stephen MackDowell for 20 (?) pounds.

William Batchelor Denmark was on the 1762 list of taxables for Pitt County, taxed for only a poll and not owning any slaves. But he owned land in Pitt County, North Carolina as early as 1765. On May 1, 1765, a deed recorded that "William Denmark, batchelor" sold 320 acres for 23 pounds to Thomas Coomes (Pitt County, NC DB-C, p. 292). Perhaps this is when he began to use the middle name "Batchelor". John Smith of Craven County sold William Denmark 100 acres for 25 pounds on December 29, 1772. (Pitt Co., NC DB-E, p. 227). On October 11, 1774, Denmark sold land to John Gray Blount for five pounds, the deed witnessed by "Amey Moy" and Jeremiah Cox (Pitt Co., NC DB-O, p. 327).

In 1778 he was involved in three land transactions. The first was on January 18 when William Denmark of Craven County sold 280 acres to Pearson Tuter for \$120 (Pitt Co., NC DB-H, p. 19). The next was on April 21 when he sold 150 acres for three pounds to Jeremiah Cox (Pitt Co., NC DB-F, p. 390). The last that year was on July 21 when he sold 150 acres for 100 pounds to Edward Buck, the deed witnessed by Henry Moye and Isaac Buck (Pitt Co., NC DB-O, p. 209).

By 1779 his estate was assessed for tax purposes by Craven County at 1,824 pounds, the county where he was living when he

joined the Revolution. On January 25, 1782 William Denmark of Craven County, as #926, was allowed the sum of nine pounds and fourteen shillings for militia duty, per Captain Jesse Bryan's payroll for the New Bern Military District. Another voucher allowed him 400 pounds for "sundries". He used the two vouchers to pay his 1781 taxes to Craven County, endorsing the vouchers on the back.

Described as "of Craven County", on December 12, 1784 he sold land again to Edward Buck. This was, as in 1778, 150 acres for 100 pounds (Pitt Co., NC DB 1, p. 531). The former owner was John Smith who had obtained a patent for it in 1774. One of the witnesses to the deed was William's son Stephen Denmark and the other was Daniel Wilson. This sale may signal his departure for Georgia.

William Batchelor Denmark's first wife was Mary Moye and he later married her sister, Anna Moye. We do not know the relationship between the Moye sisters and William Batchelor Denmark's mother, Mourning Moye. There appears to have been a most unusual relationship between William and the two sisters. He had a number of children by Anna while still married to Mary. It appears that Anna and their children accompanied him to Effingham County, Georgia while Mary stayed behind with several of her children by him. However, Mary's son Seaborn accompanied his father when he migrated to Georgia. Mary eventually moved to Duplin County, North Carolina where she died in 1793.

By July 1786, William and some of his family were in Effingham County, Georgia where he applied for land grants and registered the marks of his cattle. He received grants of 200 acres on January 24, 1791 and 300 acres on June 2, 1791 both "on the Great Ogeechee river." His son Redden also received grants of land in the same area and by November 24, 1796 the two of them owned 947 acres, all in one body. On that date they sold the entire tract to Eleazer Bell who, on March 19, 1798, sold it to Joseph Holiday.

At some time before January 21, 1795, William and Anna made their informal marriage formal. In a deed of gift of that date, he gave property to his "wife", Anna and their children Stephen Denmark, Susannah Jones, Jemima Denmark, Clarissa Denmark, Martha Denmark, Lavinia Rester and Redden Denmark (Effingham Co., GA DB CD, p. 279). Anna died in 1806.

On November 10, 1810, William Batchelor Denmark and several others were granted passports by Georgia's Governor David B. Mitchel to travel from Bulloch County through the Creek Indian Nation to Warren County where William was to see his sister Abigail Travis and his daughter Susannah Jones who was married to Rev. Adam Jones. There he met and, on 13May1813, married Mary Cochrum. It is said that he died at the Jones home in Warren County. The 1820 census for Warren County shows a William Denmark household with one male over 45, one girl less than 10 and one female 26-45.

(MUCH OF THIS INFORMATION ON WILLIAM BATCHELOR DENMARK CAME FROM RESEARCH BY JAMES H. DENMARK.) Died at the home of his daughter Susannah Denmark Jones who died the same year. Served in the Revolutionary War in a NC Regiment. He deeded land to his children in Effingham Co. Ga. Owned land in Hyde Co.,NC in 1738. Moved to Effingham Co. abt 1785 soon after the Revolution. Records indicate he was there in 1791 and 1795. Bulloch Co. was created from part of Effingham Co. It is believed the middle name Batchlor was not given at birth., but later in life he added it to his name when two deeds were drawn for him in 1765 and 1766. William apparently had two wives at the same time, one, Mary Moye, was the legal wife while her sister, Anna Moye, was a common law wife until after the death of Mary when, apparently, William married her. Two children of Anna's, Redding and Malachi, carried the Surname Moye until the death of William when they petitioned the court to change the surname to the name of their father, Denmark. ²

At some time before January 21, 1795, William and Anna made their informal marriage formal. In a deed of gift of that date, he gave specific property to his "wife", Anna and "her" children: Stephen Denmark, Susannah Jones, Jemima Denmark, Clarissa Denmark, Martha Denmark, "Levinia" Restor and "Reading" Denmark (Effingham Co., GA DB CD, p. 279). Susanna Jones, daughter of the Reverend Adam Jones, was given a "Negro wench called Rose" but with the caveat that "the first child, the said Rose shall bring after the date of these presents shall be given unto Levinia Restor". After disposition of the specific bequests, the remainder of his estate was to go to his son Reading. The will was witnessed by Francis Covington and John Moore, J.P..

William Denmark's wife, Anna, died in 1806. On March 3, 1810 in Bulloch County, Georgia, William Denmark made a deed to gift to William Pool, Sr. giving him 180 acres on which William's plantation stood, all the property in his dwelling house, a sorrel horse, 8 head of cattle, 54 head of hogs and all of his plantation tools. In return, William Pool, Sr. bound himself "to furnish said William Denmark with good and sufficient board, lodging, etc. during his natural life" (Bulloch Co., GA DB-AA, p. 221-222). The deed was witnessed by his son James Denmark and William Pool, Jr. and sworn to in court by William Pool, Jr. on May 9, 1810.

For reasons unknown, William Pool, Sr. was never required to carry out his part of the agreement. Six months after signing the deed, William Denmark left Bulloch County never to return. On November 10, 1810, William Denmark and others were granted passports by Georgia's Governor David B. Mitchel to travel from Bulloch County through the Creek Indian Nation to Warren County where William was to visit his sister Abigail Travis and his daughter Susannah Jones. William Denmark's departure from Bulloch County was followed several months later by William Pool, Sr. and Jr., their wives, Junior's three children and nine negroes who received passports from the governor. Perhaps they followed William to Warren County.

In Warren County, William Denmark met and, on May 13, 1813, married Mary Cochrum. The 1820 census for Warren County shows a William Denmark household with one male over 45, one girl less than 10 and one female 26-45. It is said that he died at the home of the Rev. Adam Jones in Warren County.

- A. STEPHEN b.14Nov1763 Pitt Co,Nc.
- B. SUSANNAH b.25May1765 Pitt Co,Nc. m. Adam Jones (removed to Warren Co,Ga.)
- C. [ELINOR] b.1767 m. Joseph Hodges (removed to Dobbs Co,Nc.)
- D. JEMIMA b.08Nov1767 Hyde Co,Nc.
- E. LOUISA b.17Oct1768 Hyde Co,Nc. m.1783/4 Frederick Rester (Dec1818 filed for land Harrison Co,Ms. -approved May1820)
- F. [THOMAS] b.1769

- G. [SEABORN EDWARD] b.1770 (served as sgt. in War of 1812)
- H. ELIZABETH b.04Aug1771 Hyde Co,Nc.
- I. REDDING b.08Dec1773 Screven Co,Ga. m.17Aug1802 Lavina Wise (1786-1857, d/o William Wise) at Bulloch Co,Ga. d.1813 Brooks Co,Ga.
- a. ELIZABETH b.27Oct1803 Bulloch Co,Ga. m.27Nov1820 James Groover d.1848
 - b. CLARISSA b.1804 Bulloch Co,Ga. m.29Jan1820 John William Gibson
 - c. SARAH b.1805 Bulloch Co,Ga. m.12Jan1825 William Lastinger (b.1808) d.1862 Worthington Springs, Wachua,Fl.
 1. Redding Lastinger b.1827
 2. Kizzia E. Lastinger b.1828
 3. Mary Lastinger b.1829
 4. Henry Martin Lastinger b.1830
 5. Marianna Lastinger b.1831
 6. Elizabeth Burton Lastinger b.14Oct1832 d.21Jul1928
 7. Amanda Lastinger b.1834
 8. Caroline Lastinger b.1839 d.1899
 9. Martin Lastinger b.1840
 10. Elizabeth Lastinger b.1841
 11. Bryan Daniel Lastinger b.1842 d.Civil War
 12. Sarah Jane Lastinger b.1845
 13. Martha F. Lastinger b.1847
 14. Maria Texas Lastinger b.1852
 - d. THOMAS IRWIN b.30Sep1809 Bulloch Co,Ga. m.01Dec1831 Amanda Groover d.1897
 - e. JOHN b.1811 Ga. m.08Jul1830 Mourning Hagan
- J. [SARAH] b.1774
- K. Clarisa b.01Oct1775 Screven Co,Ga. m.20Aug1794 John Lucas
- L. **JAMES** (Sr.) b.1775 m.04Oct1802 **SUSANNAH WISE** at Bulloch Co,Ga. d.ca1860 Washington Co,Al.
 Notes: Removed to Ms. Territory in Jan1818 -lists Jan1819 as date of settlement "East side of Red Creek,Harrison,Ms.- his son, Stephen, filed for land on Red Creek at the same time)
 Age 75 on 1850 Washington Co,Al. census
 04Jan1751 sold 409 1/2 acres of land to James Listinger for \$90.
- a. STEPHEN b.09Jun1798 Bulloch Co,Ga. m.07Jan1820 Mary Culpepper d.14Sep1861 Leaksville,Green,Ms.
 - b. WILLIAM CHAPMAN b.10Nov1803 Bulloch Co,Ga. m.30Sep1829 Julia Ann Evans
 - c. MARGARET b.25Mar1805 Bulloch Co,Ga. m.1827 Filling Tarver
 - d. **MARY** b.04Dec1806 Bulloch Co,Ga. m.1824 **THOMAS YANCEY DEARMAN** (1798-May1859) at Mobile,Al d.1870-80 Cuba,Sumter,Al. (see DEARMAN Family for children)
 - e. JOHN JEFFERSON b.10May1810 Bulloch Co,Ga. m.22Jul1837 Harriet Deshon
 - f. JAMES b.10May1810 Bulloch Co,Ga. m.22Jan1840 Elizabeth Ann Ward
 - g. SELETIA ANN b.16Nov1813 Bulloch Co,Ga. m.ca1835 Matthew J. Vaughn
 bur. Ferrill Cem,Escatriopa,Jackson,Ms.
 - h. SAPHRONIA b.17Dec1815 Bulloch Co,Ga. m.07Mar1835 James Lanier Davis d.03Jun1882
 bur.Mt.Pisgah Baptist Cem, Green,Ms.
 - i. BRYANT JESSE b.07Jan1818 Bulloch Co,Ga. m.15Sep1842 Elizabeth Lott d.24Mar1870 Antioch,Tx.
 - j. MALACHI J. b.08Jun1819 Hancock Co,Ms. m.(1) 1870 Martha Martin (2) Mrs. Mary F. Lott
 Occupation:Planter (family listed on 1850 Choctaw,Al census)
 1. GEORGE W. b.1839 Ms.
 2. MALISSA b.1841 Ms.
 3. ANDREW J. b.1843 Ms.
 4. MARY L. b.1848 Ms.
 - k. JANE b.13Jan1822 Perry Co,Ms. m.(1)28Jan1847 Washington Lott (2) 04Jan1838 Cleveland Robb
 d.28Mar1892
 1. REBECCA b.05Aug1826 Hancock Co,Ms. m.25Jan1841 William Lott
- M. [a daughter -?] b.1777-?
- N. MARTHA b.15Nov1777 Screven Co,Ga. m.17Apr1799 Thomas Jones (1775-1835, s/o William Jones) at Bulloch Co,Ga. d.11Jan1853 (9 children)
- O. MATTHEW b.15Nov1777 Screven Co,Ga.
- P. MALACHI b.1779 Springfield,Effingham,Ga. m.1811 Jincy (Jane) Wise (b.1795) at Bulloch Co,Ga.
 d.14Oct1846 [1] (property value \$450)
- a. REDDING b.1813 Bulloch Co,Ga. m.ca1835 Rachel Jones (b.1815) [1] (Farmer - property value \$400)
 1. MARGARET b.1836 Ga.
 2. WILLIAM b.1839 Ga.
 3. MARTHA b.1841 Ga.

- 4. MARY b.1843 Ga.
- b WILLIAM b.1817 m.ca1840 Caroline Wise (b.1825)
 - 1. ANN b.1841
 - 2. SARAH b.1844
- c. MALACIAH b.1827 Bulloch Co,Ga. m.ca1845 Rebecca (-) at Bulloch Co,Ga.
 - [1](Farmer - property value \$0)
 - 1. JOHN b.1846 Bulloch Co,Ga.
 - 2. JANE b.1848 Bulloch Co,Ga.
 - 3. WILLIAM b.1849 Bulloch Co,Ga.
- d. MARY b.1820 Bulloch Co,Ga.
- e. SARAH b.1836 Bulloch Co,Ga.
- f. ANN b.1839 Bulloch Co,Ga.
- Q. [JOHN] b.1780 m. Mary Hall
- R. [JAMES (Jr.)] b.1782 m. Nancy Rogers ww.25Apr1829 wp.07Sep1829 Bulloch Co,Ga.
 - a. HESTER K.
 - b. SUSAN
 - c. JANE (Lovie)
 - d. JOHN S. b.08Feb1817 m.ca1838 Wealthy (-) (b.1824) d.1888 [1] (Famer - property valued \$250)
 - 1. BARBARY b.1839
 - 2. NANCY b.1842
 - 3. MARY b.1844
 - 4. MARGARET b.1846
 - 5. STEPHEN b.1849
 - 6. JOHN COLEMAN b.1852 d.1918
 - A. WALTER b.1883 d.1949
 - a. ROBERT DANIEL b.1927 d.1983
 - 1. STEPHEN DANIEL
 - e. STEPHEN
 - 1. ALLEN
 - f. JAMES b.1820 Ga. m.ca1840 Susan (-) (b.1822) [1] (Farmer - property valued \$325)
 - 1. THOMAS b.1841
 - 2. MALAKIAH b.1843
 - 3. JAMES b.1845
 - 4. MARTHA b.1847
 - 5. STEPHEN b.1849
- S. [MARGARET] b.1784 m. Hardy Bizzel (removed to Tn.)

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