

W. West

M. B. Berry

Jeremiah Sturck

Peter Evans Sr

Jerry W. Robinson

S. B. Thomas

A. C. Stewart

Amel

Fuldry M. Bush

Peter for Pardon

W. H. Conard

It is much to be regretted
that the committee
prevented the
purpose of this petition

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His Excellency the Governor of Kentucky

Your Petitioners, some of the Union men of
Clack County, and the neighbors of Fielding M. Bush, would
reposit, that the said Fielding M. Bush is Indicted in the
Clack Circuit Court for treason, that he has been, as they under-
stand with the confederate army, but has become satisfied that
he was engaged in a bad cause, has returned home to Clack
County the place of his residence, surrendered himself to the
Military Authorities, and been discharged from custody on taking
the oath of allegiance to the Government of the United States.
Under these circumstances, and believing as your petitioners do,
that the young men of our state, who have been deluded into
the confederate service, and have become sensible of their error,
and wish to return home, and remain there as orderly and
peaceable citizens, should be encouraged to do so, by the pardon
of their offence, they petition your Excellency to exercise the
executive clemency in favor of said Fielding M. Bush who is a
young man.

January 30th, 1863

W. C. Reed

J. S. P. [unclear]

R. L. Nicholas

Alfred Patrick

J. Z. Martin

J. Drewbridge

John W. Bean

The Gentlemen whose names are
signed above are respectable men
& loyal citizens - their contents of facts
should receive great consideration &
is entitled to full credence
J. H. Bushner

James Simpson

R. A. Winn

Wm. H. [unclear]

J. P. Laughlin

W. H. Poston

Chas. Poston

Thos. H. Moore

Lev. Capps

Willis C. Martin

John W. Redman

THE SETTLEMENT OF KENTUCKY

Daniel Boone made several hunting trips into Kentucky before his first attempt at settlement, including one in company with James Stuart, another with John Finley. The first attempt to establish a permanent settlement was in September 1773. Boone was to start from his farm on the Yadkin River, Rowan County, North Carolina; the Bryan contingent had agreed to start via a shorter route and to join him in Powell's Valley. When the two parties merged, they numbered forty armed men. They were not molested until Oct. 10th when, as six of their number, including Boone's son, James were slain. This episode so discouraged the party that they turned back, retracing forty miles of the route over which they had come to Blackmore's Station on Clinch River, in Virginia. Most of them drifted on back to Carolina, but Boone's family remained at the Clinch settlement and the Bryans having sold their farms before starting out, also remained there.

In the spring of 1774 James Harrod took a company of men down the Ohio, up the Louisa, thence overland to the present site of Harrodsburg. In March 1775 Boone helped negotiate a treaty with the Cherokees and this done he opened a road from the Holston to Kentucky River and he began clearing at the mouth of Otter Creek, subsequently known as Boonesborough.

In June of this year he returned to the Settlement on Clinch River to get his family. According to Boone, Rebecca Bryan was the first white woman to view the Kentucky River. On the Clinch he was again joined by the Bryan contingent, which included, James, William and Morgan Bryan, John Bryan, Samuel Bryan, George Bryan, son of Morgan, Jr., Daniel and David Wilcox, John Roper, Thomas Thompson, William Lee, James Forbis and two sons, Abner Wilcox, Joseph Murphy and Moses and Michael Baker, Wilson Hunt and Samuel McMahon. The route was through Cumberland Gap where it joined the Ohio, southward through the Kentucky game preserves. From Cumberland Gap they cleared and enlarged the trail for fifty miles. At the Hazel Patch they detoured and followed a buffalo trail through what is now Madison County, Ky.

At Boonesborough the Bryans adjourned briefly before continuing northward, sixteen miles to Elkhorn Creek and the site of Bryan's Station. Here they made two half-face camps, and in the Spring of 1776 sixty acres of corn was planted but the station remained a small one until the hard winter of 1779 when it was enlarged.

By 1782 the year of the siege, it was the largest settlement north of the Kentucky and able to withstand several hundred Indians. The siege of Bryan's Station was the prelude to the battle of the Blue Licks, the final Battle of the Revolution.

The first women at Bryan's Station arrived in the Spring of 1779, a daughter of William Bryan, and the wife and daughter of William Grant. During the autumn of the "hard winter" many of the residents of the small stations moved to Bryan's for greater safety against the Indians. Among those who were ensconced there were James Bryan and family, Morgan Bryan and family, his sons, Joseph and James and their families, John Bryan and family, William Bryan and family, William Grant and family, three Forbis families, three Hogan families, Wilson Hunt, William Tomlinson, David Hunter, Matthew Caldwell, James Wasson, Casper Karsher, David Jones, John Burger, John Smith, James Power, John Power and son and Nicholas Reagin. This is obviously a partial list, as Bradford states that during the winter he gave 500 acres of land for a horse with which to bring in meat for the women and children. Among other game that he mentions was 31 head of buffalo. He states that the residents at the Station out-numbered the population of Lexington by sixty persons.

(error: Instead of Bradford the above name should be George Bryan.)

801 N. Craig
Victoria, Texas, 77901
Feb. 14, 1978.

Dear Mrs. Conroy:

Thank you for your prompt answer to my letter on Bush research. I can realize how easy it is to become involved in more work than you can handle. However, I would like to get on your schedule for future reference so I will send you my information for use when you can get to it. I will authorize up to 3 hours of your time and will send you a check whenever you request it.

I have made two lists, one being the known facts I have concerning John Bush, Sr., and his wife Frances, and a second list of data regarding the Bush families of Orange Co., Va., and Clark Co., Ky., that I think are connected to John Bush, Sr.

We have been watching pictures of the awful weather you have. Ours has been mostly good, although somewhat rainy down here in South Texas. North Texas has had quite a bit of snow and some real nasty weather. We have lived in the Sacramento Mountains of New Mexico, near Cloudcroft, and snow means livelihood to our friends up there. We have hoped that they would get it. I talked to a friend up there right before last and it was snowing then. She said that their ski-run has been able to operate continuously since Jan. 1. I am glad for them. But I am getting a little old for the winters up there. We still hope to spend our summers there for a while yet. I don't think that our Texas snow got down as far as Bell Co., but our daughter's home at Sinesville got it good. They are only 7 miles from the Red River which is the Oklahoma state line.

Hoping that I can hear from you when you have time and that you can tie my Bushes together.

Sincerely,
Francis Caswell

Rate quoted \$3.00 an hour

KNOWN FACTS ABOUT JOHN BUSH SR. OF JENNINGS CO., IND.

1. Will of John Bush, Sr., written Dec. 18, 1837. Filed Sept. 11, 1839 (Geneva Twp., Jennings Co., Ind. Named wife, Frances, and one son, Lewis. "All other children had been taken care of."
2. 1830 Census of Jennings Co., Ind., Page 309. Township, Vernon, Geneva, & Columbia John Bush, Sr. male 60-70, 2 males 20-30, male 15-20, female 50-60, female 10-15.
3. 1820 Census of Estill Co., Ky. John Bush over 45, male 16-26, male 10-16, male under 10, female over 45, 2 females 10-16, female under 10.
4. Known son of John Bush, Sr., Lewis Bush, born 1802. was 18 in 1820, 28 in 1830.
 Probable " " " " " , John Bush, Jr., " 1805. " 15 " " 25 " "
 " " " " " " , Josiah Bush, " Dec. 1810, " 9 " " 19 " "
 " dau. " " " " " , Frances " " ca 1815, " 5 " " 15 marr. 1830
 " " " " " " , Henrietta " " ca 1807, " 13 " " marr. in 1827
 " " " " " " , Nancy " " ca 1807, " 13 " " " 1827

John Bush, Sr. performed weddings for Nancy, Frances, Lewis, and John, Jr. Bush

5. Biography of John Bush in "History of Coffee Creek Baptist Association" by J. C. Tibbetts. Cincinnati, 1883.

"It is thought that Elder John Bush was a native of Kentucky, and was a member of the Baptist Church, and probably an ordained minister, before leaving that state. As early as 1825 he came to Indiana and united with Herbert's Creek Church. He was a messenger from that body to the Silver Creek Association in 1826, which is the first time his name is found on the record.

At the organization of the Coffee Creek Association, he was a messenger from Herbert's Creek, and from 1828 to 1832 a messenger from Bear Creek, both churches going with Madison Association the year last named. In that body his name appears on the Minutes up to 1837, and he was pretty extensively engaged in pastoral work to that date, since which I find no mention of him, except in the Circular Letter of Coffee Creek Association of 1840, written by Elder John Vawter, where the name of John Bush is given as one of the Baptist ministers who had died within the past few years."

6. Robert Bush, who was almost certainly a son of John Bush, Sr. was listed on Page 313 Jennings Co., Ind. 1830. Male 30-40 (He was born 1797), 2 males 5-10, male under 5, female 20-30 (his wife, Nancy, was born 1805), 2 females 5-10, 2 females under 5.

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6. (cont'd) Robert Bush was listed next to John Bush in the Estill Co., Ky. Census of 1810 as male 16-26, female 16-26 and male under 10. Also listed next to John and Robert, was Matthew Bush, male 16-26, female 16-26 and female under 10.
7. John Bush was also listed on the 1810 Census ^{Index} of Estill Co., Ky., ~~but I have not seen that census list.~~ Also on that Index was a Joshua Bush and a William Bush. 1810 Census - Estill Co.
 John Bush 45+, 3 male 10-16, male 10, 3 fem. 10, fem 16-26, fem. 45+
 William " 45+, male 10, male 10-16, male 16-26, female 45+
 Joshua " 26-45, 2 male 10, 4 female 10, female 26-45
8. John, Joshua, and Francis witnessed will of Constant Barton - Estill Co. 1808.
9. Clark Co., Ky. Deeds, Vol. 3 1797. Page 50. Aug. 22, 1797. From John Bush and wife, Frances, to John Hamptox for 30 Ac. on 4 mile Creek on Stoner Branch. (Note: Frances Bush signed as "Franky Bush".)

The above items summarize what I know about John Bush, Sr., and his family. I have assumed that he was connected with the Bush Brothers who came to Clark Co., Ky., from Orange Co., Va. and have tried to find a connection - without success. The following items are known about the Bush family of Orange Co., Va. and Clark Co., Ky.

1. Will of John Bush who was born about 1685 and whose will was written Sept. 7, 1745, Orange Co., Va. Will Book 2, Page 94.
 Names wife, Bridget Bush, son Philip Bush, dau., Martha Bruce, dau., Elizabeth Sanders, dau., Mary Bush, son, John Bush, son Daniel Bush, son, Thomas Bush; Exrs. Philip Bush and Mary Bush. Wit: Thos. Stanton, Joseph Eddens.
2. Will of Philip Bush, born about 1710, whose will was written May 10, 1771, and was proven Sept. 24, 1772, Orange Co., Va. Will Book 2, Page 453.
 Names son, Josiah Bush, and Sarah, his wife; grandson, Philip Bush, son to said Josiah and Sarah.; son, Philip Bush; son, John Bush, and Elizabeth, his wife; to any male heir lawfully begotten of said John; son, William Bush, and whereas son, William has been absent some time past and not heard of, if said William should never return, or any lawful heir, then son, Francis Bush, and his heirs shall possess land granted to William Bush, provided said Francis pays my Grandson, Lewis Bush, five pounds. Said Francis, at my death, shall possess said land until son, William, or his heirs shall lawfully claim same. Son, Ambrose Bush; dau., Sarah Watts, grand-dau., Susannah Watts, dau. Mary Richards, grand-dau Frances, "alias Franky", Johnson;

son, Joseph Bush; son Joshua Bush; dau., Elizabeth Johnson; Exrs., sons, Philip and Francis Bush, and son-in-law, David Watts, Wit.: James Madison, Tho. Barbour, David Thompson. When proven, sons, Josiah Bush and Ambrose Bush, acted as executors.

From other sources, DAR Records, I have learned that Philip Bush's wife was Mary Bryan. Evidently she died before his will was written in 1771.

3. Bedford Co., Va. Will Book 1, Pages 201-203 gives the will of John Bush, son of John Bush in Item 1, and brother of Philip Bush in Item 2. This will is dated June 18, 1773, names wife, Martha Bush; children, Margit Jackson, Mary Bush, Francis Bush, Elizabeth Bush, Milley Bush, Phillip Bush, Darkish Bush, Ann Bush, Susannah Bush. Exrs. wife and Congrave Jackson. Wit. Richard Maples, Stephen Hancock, Simon Miller. Proven Jan. 24, 1774 Security; Simon Miller and Martin King. This John Bush was born about 1739 in Orange Co., Va. According to a descendent, Congrave and Margaret Jackson moved to Clark Co., Ky. about 1795. A deed Dec. 27, 1796, "From Thomas Burrus and Elizabeth, his wife, to Congrave Jackson - for land lying and being in the County of Clark on the Two mile Creek, being a part of a survey of 1000 acres entered in the name of Thomas Burrus, Sr., Dec'd."

4. The DAR Lineage Charts show the following children for Philip Bush, Jr., son of Philip Bush of Item 2. Philip Bush Jr. born Feb. 26, 1737, Orange Co., Va., died June 21, 1819, Clark Co., Ky. married Frances Vivian in 1776. She was born 1761, died 1849. Both buried Philip Bush Burying Ground, Mrs. Rhodes Quisenberry's Farm, 1/4 mile southwest of old Stone Meeting House. (This from Mrs. Ardery's Ky. Records, Vol. 2)

children: ① John V. Bush married Sarah Martin

(2) Robert V. Bush, born 1782, married Barbara J. Winn

(3) Nancy Bush, married John Gholson Bush

(4) Frankie Bush, married William Wigglesworth

(5) Jane " " John "

(6) Thacker V. " " Narcissus Neil

(7) Margaret, (Peggy), Bush, born July 29, 1794, marr. Tandy Quisenberry

(8) Sally Bush, married Henry Parrish

(9) Polly Bush, married Sam McMurty

5. Children of John Bush, son of Philip Bush of Item 2, born Feb. 2, 1742, in Orange Co., Va. St. Thomas Psh.; died before 1798 in Clark Co., Ky. Married (1) Elizabeth Watson, (2) Mary Tillman.

1st Marr. (1) William Walton Bush married Elizabeth Sharp.

(2) Wyatt Bush, born June 17, 1772, d. 1818, married Charlotte Lisle

(3) Anna Bush, married (1) Aaron Sharp, (2) A. McGuire

(4) Jonathan Bush, born Mar. 24, 1780 md. (1) Mary J. Rawlins, (2) Diana Emerson

(5) Elizabeth Bush, married Moses Sharp.

(6) Thomas T. Bush, married Cynthia Bush

(7) Pauline, (Polly), Bush, married Benajah Gentry

2nd Marr.

(8) Tillman Bush, married Sarah Elkin

(9) Nelson Bush, born Oct. 13, 1789, married Nancy Neil

(10) Pleasant Bush, born Aug. 20, 1791, married Jane Bush.

(11) Lawton or Lander Bush, never married.

(12) Lucy Bush, married William Berry.

(13) Mercer Bush, married Pauline Crews.

(14) Frankie Bush.

6. Children of Francis Bush, ^{son of Philip Bush of Item 2,} born Feb. 20, 1750, Orange Co., Va., will written Jan. 24, 1816, probated March 3, 1818, Clark Co. Ky. Married (1) Lucy Davis, (2) Rachel Martin who was born Aug. 20, 1767, died Aug. 22, 1860. Francis Bush is buried in the Richards-Bush Graveyard on Mrs. Brewitt Harris farm, 1/4 mile from Old Stone Meeting House on dirt road to Boonesborough. (Mrs. Arden Vol. II) In this cemetery are buried Francis Bush's sister, Mary Bush Richards, (1736 - Mar. 11, 1814), and her husband, Robert Richards, d. Oct. 24, 1819.

1st Marr. (1) Fanny Bush married _____ Bradley

(2) Polly " " Ambruse Christy

(3) Nancy " " Thomas Vivion

(4) Elizabeth, (Betsy), Bush, married Daniel O'rear

2nd Marr. (5) Fielding Bush, born July 19, 1745, d. 1885, married Frances A. Halyard

(6) Lucy Bush, married Colby Burrus Quisenberry

(7) Sallie Bush, married George Matthews

(8) Jordan Bush, married Sallie M. Stewart

7. Children of William Bush, son of Philip Bush of Item 2, born Oct. 29, 1746, died July 15, 1815, Clark Co., Ky. married Dec. 9, 1778 to Frances Tandy Burris, dau. of William Tandy, (born Jan 13, 1762, d. Dec. 3, 1828) dates refer to Frances Tandy Burris.

(1.) William Tandy Bush, married Sally Matthews.

(2.) Elkanah Bush, born about 1785, marr. (1) Polly Sweeney, (2) Mary Stone (1827)

(3.) Willis A. Bush, married Malinda Welsh

(4.) Thomas J. Bush, never married

(5.) Polly Bush, md. (1) Richard Stiles, (2) Ben Heironymous

(6.) Frances Bush, married George Giddings

(7.) Susannah Bush, married Chris Morrow

(8.) Cynthia Bush, married (1) Thomas Bush, (2) Zach Elkins

(9.) Jane Bush, born Aug. 21, 1800, d. Aug. 21, 1852, married July 6, 1818 to Pleasant Bush, bn. Aug. 20, 1791, d. Sept. 2, 1853.

8. Children of James Bush, son of Josiah Bush of Orange Co., Va, and grandson of John Bush of Item 1. He was nephew of Philip, Jr., Francis, William, and John. James Bush was born Sept. 26, 1759, Culpeper Co., Va., d. Feb. 5, 1849 Clark Co., Ky. He married (1) Lydia — — —, (2) Polly Plunkett Aug. 3, 1816, Lincoln Co., Ky. James' will was written Aug. 1, 1828, and was proven Feb. 26, 1849. Clark Co. Will Book 11, Page 468-469. James Bush is buried in James Bush Graveyard on Four Mile Creek, 8 miles from Winchester.

1st. { (1.) Sarah Bush, born after 1777, married John Newland Aug. 7, 1798, Clark Co.
mark { (2.) John Bush, had dau. Cynthia, named in James Bush Will. James Bush refers to deceased son John in will.

3. Howard Bush

4. Catherine Bush

5. Nancy Bush, born Jan. 27, 1823, d. Mar. 8, 1891, md. Henry Brown Jan. 13, 1842

6. Cynthia Bush, married William J. Eaton.

9. William Bush witnessed the will of his father-in-law, William Tandy, 1792, Fayette. Philip Bush was executor of the will of his father-in-law, John Vivion, 1789, Fayette Co.

Miscellaneous Bush Family Data - Not necessarily connected with the Bush Family of Orange Co., Va. and Clark Co., Ky.

1. A Philip Bush died intestate in Madison Co., Ky. ^{Mad. Co. Will Book A, Page 60,} about 1800. His widow, Orendar Bush, married Thomas Hooten in 1802, Madison Co., Ky. Philip and Orendar Bush made land sales on Silver Creek in 1799. Madison Co., Ky. Deed Bk. D, Pages 682-685. Deed Book P, Page 104, 1822, records transactions between Philip Bush heirs, Henrietta, Mourning, Letitia, and Roland vs. William Bush heirs. This also regarding land on Silver Cr Deed Book P, Page 123, Mar. 4, 1822 -- between Thomas Hooten, Mourning Bush, James Nelson & Letitia, his wife, and Henrietta attorney-in-fact for the heirs of Philip Bush, deceased of the Co. of Dearborn, state of Indiana of one part and James Dale of Co. of Madison State of Ky. of other part, witnesseth: That said heirs of other part --- Sold to said James Dale one certain tract -- in Madison Co. -- being a part of William Bush's survey of 2650 acres. Page 104, mentioned above, lists William Bush heirs as, William Bush, Elkannah Bush, Willis A. Bush, Thomas I. Bush, Benj. Heronemus and Polly his wife, late Polly Bush, George Gedeons and Frances his wife, late Frances Bush, Thomas T. Bush and Cynthia, his wife, Pleasant Bush and Jane, his wife and legal representatives of William Bush, deceased by James Anderson app. by a decree and order of the Madison Co. Circuit Court and Roland Bush and Henrietta Bush, heirs of Philip Bush deceased of the other part ---. These heirs of William Bush, listed, are the children of Capt. William Bush of Clark Co., Ky. and Orange Co., Va. Therefore there must have been a connection between Capt. William Bush and this Philip Bush. This Philip could have been the son of William's brother, Josiah, or could have been the Philip mentioned in the will of John Bush of Bedford Co., Va. The last named Philip would have been William's cousin.

2. Madison Co., Ky. Order Book A, (1786-1791) Page 598, notes that a William Bush was exempt from payment of County Levy for year 1798. This could mean that he was over 65 years of age, thus born before 1733. This is not Capt. William Bush of Clark Co., Ky.

3. The 1790 Tax List Census of Ky. names Samuel Bush in Mercer Co., and Ambrose, Francis, John, (3) Philip, (2) William, and Capt. William in Fayette Co. John Bush Sr. age 60-70 in Jennings Co., Ind., in 1830 would have been born between 1760 and 1770. He would have been 20-30 in 1790 and could have had his own household, or been ~~mentioned~~ ^{listed} in his father's household. Since his oldest known

child, Robert Bush, was born ^{in 1797,} it is not likely that he was married in 1790. To further strengthen this theory, the Jennings Census of 1830 shows his wife as age 50-60, born 1770-1780. Therefore she would have been 10-20 years of age in 1790.

4. The 1800 Tax List Census of Kentucky shows the following Bush families in Clark Co.: Francis; William, Sr.; William, Jr.; Ambrose; Goldston; Joseph; Mary; Philip; and Wyatt. In Madison Co. were John, Joshua ^{or} and William. Since Estill Co. was made in 1808 from Madison and Clark Counties, it is possible that the John of 1800 in Madison Co. was the same John in Estill Co. in 1810. I do not know whether the Joshua and William Bush, listed in Madison in 1800 were the Joshua and William Bush, listed in Estill Co. in 1810.

It is very possible that one of the Bushes listed in Clark or Madison County in 1800 was the father of John Bush of Estill Co. 1810 and 1820, but which one? It was not Francis, since his children are known. It was not Capt. W^m Bush, Sr., whose children are known, or his son, William Junior, who was too young. It could have been Ambrose Bush. Goldston Bush was too young. It could have been Joseph Bush. Mary was the widow of John Bush, who died in 1798, and their children are known. It was not Philip, whose children are known, and it was not Wyatt, son of John, who was too young. In Madison County, it could have been ~~John~~ William. We have noted that the William of Madison Co. was 65 in 1798, so he could easily have been the father of John, born 1760-70. Joshua Bush was shown as over 45 in 1820 Census, Madison Co., but ~~was age 26-45 in the Census~~ ^{was age 26-45 in the Census} ~~but I have not seen his age in Estill Co.,~~ 1810. Joseph Bush is shown 26-45 in Clark Co., 1810, so he was too young to be John's father. Ambrose Bush, Sr. is shown over 45 in Clark Co., 1810, with Ambrose, Jr. 26-45. Therefore he ^{Ambrose, Sr.} was old enough to be John's father. This seems to limit the possibilities to William of Madison Co., and Ambrose, Sr., of Clark Co., ~~with Joshua of Estill, 1810 and Madison, 1800, as a third possibility.~~ I realize that the father of John may have been dead in 1800, may not have been listed, or may have never left Virginia, but if John's father was listed in the Madison-Clark area in 1800, it had to be William of Madison, Ambrose, Sr., of Clark, or possibly Joshua of Madison.

5. Grants made in Ky. by Va.

William Bush - Lincoln County - Silver Cr. - 3750 Ac. 1782 Bk I, Page 301

Va. Grants in Ky. Cont'd

William Bush, Fayette Co. 2 Mile Cr. 1000 Ac. 1785 Bk 9, Page 645

" " " " 100 Ac. " "16, " 5

John " Madison Co. Fk. Sta. Camp Cr. 1000 Ac. 1788 " 11, " 636

Kentucky Land Warrants

Philip Bush, Silver Cr. 400 Ac., 1783 - Bk 1, Page 399

William " " " 5000 " , 1782 - " 1 " 266

William " Madison Co. " " 2650 " , 1792 - " 3 " 524

Philip " " " " 200 " , 1797 - " 11, " 507

Philip " " " Sta. Camp Cr. 812 1/2 " , 1797 - " 11, " 508

William " " " Hays Fk. Silver Cr. 920 " , 1792 - " 14, " 77

William " Clark " Howards Cr. 532 " , 1797 - " 11, " 513

Philip " Lincoln " Cumberland Riv. 1539 3/4 " , 1798 - " 14, " 146

Old Ky. Grants

William Bush Lincoln Co. Silver Cr. 3750 Ac., 1782 - Bk. 1, Page 301

" " Fayette " 2 Mile Cr. 1000 " , 1785 - " 9, " 645

Francis " Clark " Howards Cr. 250 " , 1783 - " 10, " 12

John " Madison " Fk. Sta. Camp Cr. 1000 " , 1788 - " 11, " 636

William " Muddy Cr. 500 " , 1782 - " 1, " 266

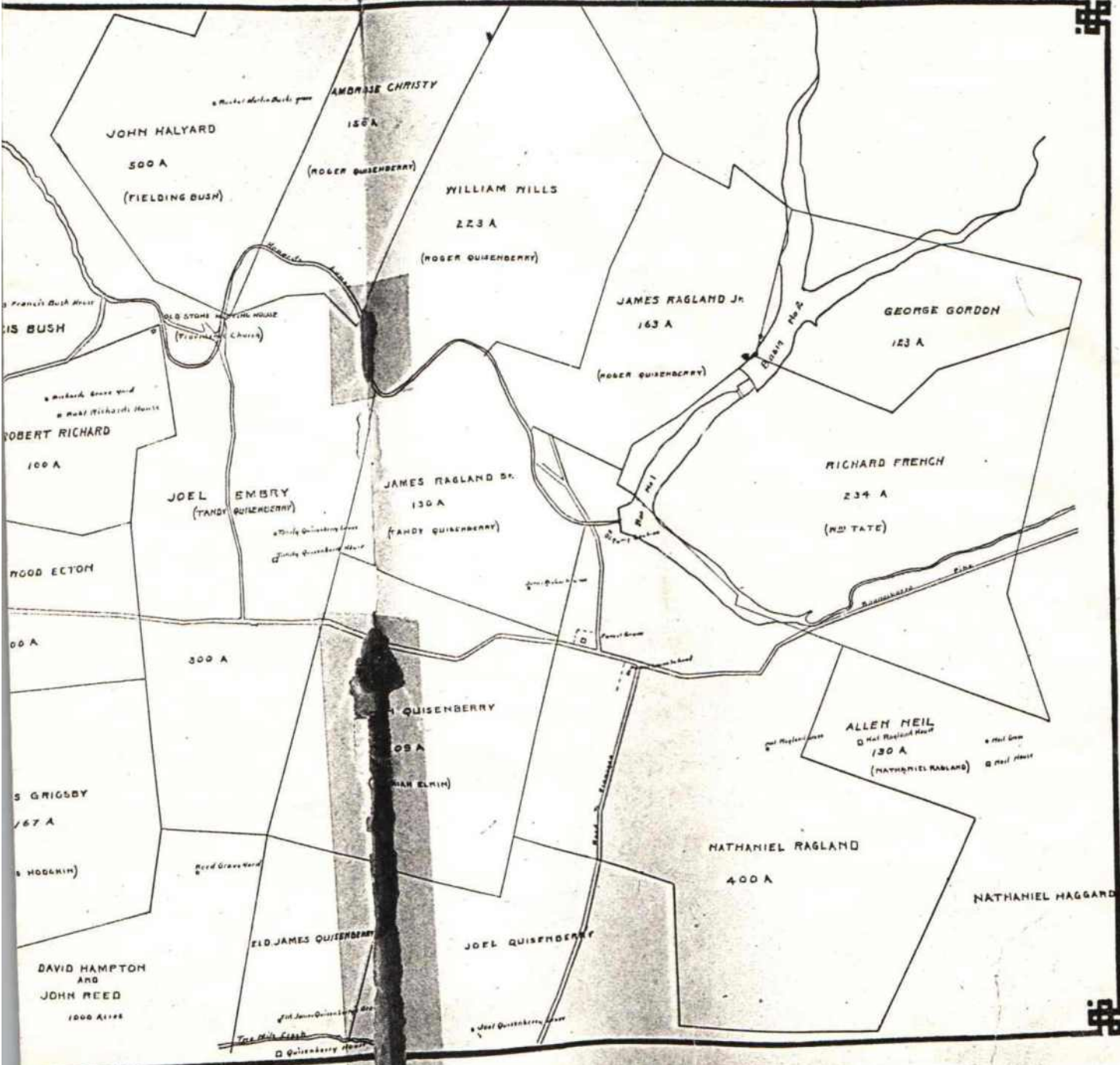
William " Browns Tr. 3000 " , 1782 - " 1, " 266

Philip " Chaplin's Fk. 1039 1/2 " , 1784 - " 2, " 104

Philip " " " 1039 1/2 " , 1785 - " 2, " 253

NOTE: I have just read the 1810 Census of Estill Co. and corrected this report accordingly.

No Connection to the Bush research, but I would be glad to pay for a copy of the Chambers families listed in the 1820 Census Index for Kentucky, if you have access to the book. My gr-grandfather, Josiah Bush, married Mary Ann Chambers in Hancock Co., Ind in 1836. She was born in Kentucky in May 1820, but I do not know the County. I do not know her father for certain, but believe he was a James Chambers.



SETTLEMENT.

pioneer days, settled around the Old Stone Meeting House (Providence) as a nucleus, which was also shows in large type the owners of the Meeting House), Schools, Water Works and other buildings.

ing House (Providence) as a nucleus, which was before the year 1800, (with the exception of one or two roads of today, 1923.

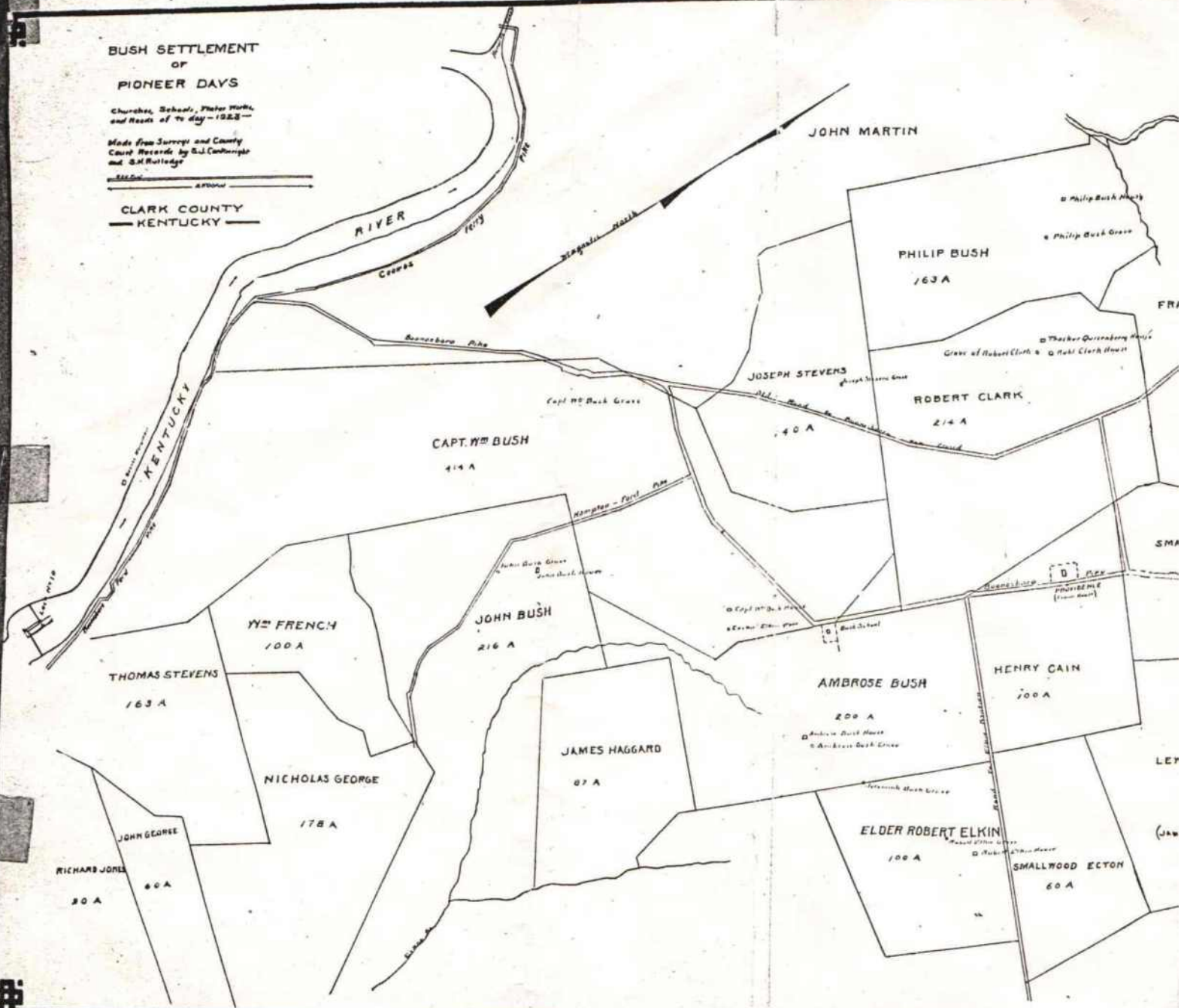
**BUSH SETTLEMENT
OF
PIONEER DAYS**

Churches, Schools, Water Works,
and Roads of To-day - 1922 -

Made from Surveys and County
Court Records by S.J. Conkwright
and S.H. Rutledge

Scale: 1" = 4000'

**CLARK COUNTY
KENTUCKY**



THE MAP OF THE BUSH

The Map in this work of the Bush settlement of Clark County, Kentucky, shows how that Baptist colony of constructed between the years of 1787 and 1793, and located on Lower Howard's Creek in said County. The Map (two). In smaller type later owners of some of the farms. The churches (with the exception of the Old Stone Church) are shown in black. Made from Surveys and County Court records of Clark County, Kentucky, by S. J. Conkwright and S. H. R.

BUSH

CLARK COUNTY DEEDS, Winchester, Ky.

Book Page

Date

BUSH, James

1805	"	from John Ray	5	443
1808	"	to James Shepherd	6	222
1813	"	" Josiah Allen	9	369
1814	"&c.	" Samuel R. Combs	21	16
1825	"	" Lamentation Bush		42
	"	" Eubank, Achilles & c		187
1826	"	" Emerson, James	22	55
1827	"	" Hood, Lewis & wife	23	54
1830	"	" Combs, Samuel R & C	24	466
1834	"	" Quisenberry, Tandy & c	27	74
	" &	wife to Hampton, Jesse, Jr.		135
* 1835	" "	" Poindexter, Zach		312
1838	"	from Mason, James F. & wife	29	149
1840	" &c	" Barrow, Hinche G.		562
	"	" " " & Co.		569
1847	"	" Ruddick, Wm. & wife	33	368
1848	"	" Risk, Joseph & wife	34	115
1849	" &	wife to Christian, William		373
* 1854	"	to Bush, Robert	37	29
1857	" &c	from Bush, Ambrose	38	200
	"	" " "		228
1854	"	" Chorn, Samuel & wife		325
1857	"	" Bush, Ambrose		380
1858	" &	wife to Barrow, Asa C.	39	216
1874	" "	from Winchester Cemetary Co., Lots 408, 409	45	372
		Note:		
*family members		(James Bush d. 11 June 1887 (his wife, Nancy, d. 14 Nov 1886 AC)		

There were two James Bushes in Clark County at the same time. Not all of the above are for James Bush & wife Nancy. Note in Deed Index, Clark Co.

1804	Bush, Joseph	from Bush, Wm. & wife (Sarah)	5	274
1836	" "	to Hieronymus, Wm. T.	27	555
	" "	from " " & c.		559
1859	Stephen Eubank, Exec. of Joseph Bush, decd.	Two Mile Creek, about 1 mile from its mouth bdndry: McChord, Johnson, Elizabeth Johnson	40	95

S/ Stephen Eubank

John W. Bush of Estherville, Iowa was a Cousin of mine. He sent me this information, which is about identical to the white sheet on the Bush history.

BUSH FAMILY HISTORY COMPILED BY JOHN W. AND NANCY BUSH OF ESTHERVILLE, IOWA.

PHILLIP BUSH SR. AND HIS WIFE, MARY OF ORANGE COUNTY, VIRGINIA has a family of eight ~~sons~~ and four daughters. In 1783 five of these sons and one daughter came to Kentucky and settled in Clark County. They were early members of The Old Stone Meeting House, a Baptist Church built about 1783 and later on called Providence. The family record of these five sons follows below:

- PHILLIP: Born October, 18, 1736. He married Frances Vivian, daughter of John Vivian.
- JOHN: Born February, 3, 1742. He married Elizabeth Watson and later Polly Tilghman. His descendants are the direct ancestry of the Bushs interested in this record.
- CAPTAIN BILLY: Born October, 29, 1746 and died July, 26, 1815. He married Frances Tandy Burrus.
- AMEROSE: Born April, 8, 1748. He married Lucy Cholson.
- FRANCIS: Born February, 20, 1770. First wife unknown. Second was Rachel Martin

FAMILY OF JOHN BUSH AND POLLY TILGHMAN BUSH, LISTED ABOVE.

POLLY: Married Ben Gentry, TOM, died young. NELSON, direct ancestry of Bushs interested in these old records. PLEASANT: He married Jane Bush, Daughter of Capt. Billy. LANDRUM: never married, LUCY: Married Wm. Berry, TILGHMAN: Married Sarah Elkins and MERCER: No additional on him here, but information farther along lists his daughter.

In the record of John Bush (above) compiled by John R. Bush Sr., 1858-1933, and recompiled by his son, James A. Bush in 1972 it gave the name of his first wife as Mary but from records above it likely was Elizabeth Watson. In this record it lists 11 children of John Bush and it was surmised that the first wife was the mother of all of them, but above records indicate Polly Tilghman was the mother of the eight listed above. The three not listed above were William, Jonathan and Anio, probably children of his first wife. In the same record a son Filman is listed. Tilghman likely right.

FAMILY OF NELSON BUSH; who was born December, 13, 1789 and died September, 24, 1874.

- He married Nancy Neil, daughter of Allen Neal and wife Nancy Elkin and grand-daughter of Rev. Robert Elkin. NANCY NEIL was born January, 24, 1801 and died January, 15, 1879. Nelson and Nancy were married March, 30, 1815. Their children as follows:
- ADELINE: born January, 8, 1816, married Elias Curry,
- ALLEN NEIL: his descendants are the direct ancestry of the Bushs interested in this.
- LANDRUM NEIL: born in 1821. Nothing further on him.
- PLEASANT NEIL: born April, 7, 1822, died June, 29, 1893. Nothing further on him.
- SARAH ANN: born February, 20, 1825, married Christopher Bush, died February, 26, 1867.
- NANCY NEIL: born May, 14, 1827, married John Tuttle.
- MARY JANE: born May, 30, 1829, married Wm. Webber, died 1910.
- ROBERT: born in 1831. (Went to Texas. Returned to Ky. for a visit around 1910 or later) (or, after an absence of 60 years, James A. Bush remembers it.)
- WILLIAM NELSON: born May, 27, 1833, married Betty Raney.
- NAPOLEON BONAPARTE: born May, 1, 1835, married daughter of Mercer Bush, listed above.
- MARGARET NEIL: born June, 1, 1837, married Martin Boall.
- LUCY TILGHMAN: born April, 10, 1839; married Archibald Stevenson.
- HANNAH NEIL: ~~born~~ born May, 27, 1841, married Minor Hampton

FAMILY OF ALLEN NEIL BUSH; who was born April, 24, 1819 and died December, 15, 1870.

- He married Polly Robinson May, 10, 1842. She was born October, 19, 1825 and died April, 17, 1895. They had nine children as follows:
- EDITH: born ~~born~~ April, 16, 1843, married Dillard Fox, died July, 29, 1871.
- NANCY: born, October, 10, 1844, married J. W. Ragland,
- ALLEN NEIL JR.: born in 1847. He married Mary E. Pett.
- JONAS ROBINSON: born December 7, 1849, married Sally Weber. He died June, 10, 1910.
- William Neil: born September 22, 1852. He married Olive Baker.
- ENOCH ROBINSON: born November 5, 1855. He married Ann Eliza Brock. Died Sept. 7, 1935.
- JOHN ROBINSON: born July, 25, 1859, married Alice Powell. He died March, 22, 1933.
- Kitty Robinson: born December, 28, 1860. Married George Allen. She died?
- POLLY ROBINSON: born October, 19, 1863. Married N. B. Barrow. She died?

my father

This sheet is made up from information furnished by John W. Bush almost entirely. It was compared with information compiled by John R. Bush Sr. In most cases the two records are identical. Most differences are minor, such as the spelling of a name or a slight difference in a date and some information in one was missing in the other. This sheet was mimeographed by James A. Bush, Box 444, Watertown, So. Dak., 57201.

Bestwick, Nebr.

10-1-1968

Dear Miss Owen -

It was nice to get your letter and we were thrilled to receive the clipping write up about the Old Stone meeting house and the mention of our Capt Billy Bush. It (the clipping) is making the rounds of the family to be read and copied -

We will always have a happy memory of our visit to Kentucky and see the historical places that we had read so much about.

We enjoyed meeting so many nice and friendly folks - We had heard many stories about Kentucky from our father Pleasant Bush who spent his early boyhood there - He was born at Stanford in 1803 they moved to Kansas in 1875 with their seven sons - all born at Stanford Ky -

Elkanah Bush was born in Clark Co Ky in 1834 the eight child of Colonel Pleasant Bush and his wife Jane Bush Bush - They were cousins - In 1861 at the age of 26 he married Anna Bryant who was then 16 years of age - Anna M. Bryant was the daughter of Reuben Bryant (died 1852 at the age of 33 yrs is buried in the old cemetery at Stanford) his wife Elizabeth

Robinson was the daughter of John Robinson of Fayette County, Kentucky - See Will Book T page 169 - probated October 14 - 1850. He mentions his daughter Elizabeth Robinson Bryant. Elizabeth Robinson Bryant was born 1844 - died 1906 is buried at Campbellville Ky.

In regard to the Robinson family - as they say Robinsons were thicker than ants in central Kentucky - so many were named John and Benjamin and unless one has the correct dates hard to trace these lines -

I am not sure who my John Robinson parents were.

(Will probated Oct. 1850) We believe him to have been the
grand son of Benjamin Robinson Rev. War Veteran who stated
he was 80 years old Sept 17-1832 - he was born in
Spottsylvania Co Virginia - He states he was born December
17- 1752 - I have a copy of his War Service which I will copy
if this is the Benjamin Robinson you are searching for -

Mrs. Anne Burnside Brown of Lancaster Kentucky
has a lot of material on the Robinson families -
you might contact her perhaps she could help -

I do have a lot on the Robinsons if I knew the dates
of your Benjamin Robinson I would check and see
if he fits into our family and where -

We have had a lovely fall here in Nebraska. Some nice
rains and the winter wheat is up. Makes a lovely green
sight you see I have two boys who are farmers and
stockman. so I am always interested in the farm -

I have five grand children who are quarter horse fans -
they own some very good quarter horses. In fact
two, Linda and Duane took top honors at the State
Fair in Lincoln this fall - on their horses Holly & Bude -
and their horseman ship - They had to compete against
over 900 of what had been judged the best in their
area. so we were very proud of them -

I hope you will be able to locate your Benjamin Robinson
if not and you will send me his dates I will go over
the material I have and see if he fits in -

We hope this finds you well. We did enjoy meeting you
and we enjoyed tramping over the same ground our
ancestors trode in years ago - You see Nebraska making
is very new as we just celebrated our first 100 years -
Give our regards to Mrs. Witt
Sincerely, Carmitta Bush Woerner

Bostwick Feb. 8-26

1968

Dear Miss Owen-

at long last I am getting around to writing some long neglected letters.

Betty and I had a very enjoyable trip. met so many nice and friendly people and saw a lot of new and different country. It was our first trip to Kentucky - where both our fathers and mothers had lived in the early days - My mother's people were Dutch Reform and helped establish the old mud meeting house at Harrodsburg in the early days. They had flat boated down the Ohio river then went back to their home near Harrodsburg - among them the Smocks Van Arsdales and De Mattes - my mother was a Smock. Most of our kin went to Indiana and Iowa we first Jacob Smock at South yard Indiana in 1831 -

my father's people were the Bushes - Bryants and Robinsons a number of these went to Independence and Hickman Mills Missouri prior to 1850. My father's parents Elkanah & Anna Bryant Bush went to Liberty Kansas in 1875 - They were parents of seven sons - all born at Stanford, Ky.

Reuben Bryant father of Anna Bryant Bush is buried at Stanford - died 1852 - we with the help of a very dear lady Mrs Beagley located his grave in the old cemetery. Most of the records on these old stones had eroded away so only the blank stone remained - We could just faintly make out the name Reuben Bryant. So we knew which was his - Mrs. Beagley suggested she see about having a bronze marker made and place at the head of the grave as her son in law ran the monument works. She was able to have this done which we greatly appreciated. Had a note from her saying they had placed it at the grave.

so now the grave of Reuben Bryant will be marked so future generations will be able to locate it. and the cost was very reasonable \$10.00.

We have had many pleasant memories of the afternoon spent with you and dear little Mrs. Witt.

It was sweet of you to take the time and bother to help us locate Capt. Billy Bush's grave - we never would have found it without your help.

We were sad to find it in such an unkept state.

Since having the Reuben Bryant marker made we have wondered if something in that line could be put on the William Bush grave - as in a short time the data on his stone will be eroded away.

Do the D. A. R. or State Historical Society help on that type work?

We were glad to find both the Old Mud Meeting House and the Old Stone Meeting house in such good repair and being taken care of.

We enjoyed the beautiful Blue Grass country around Lexington also the fine homes - my family are what you

might call horse lovers - some of my grand children have some very good quarter horses - these make good substitutes as well as pleasure horses - as they live on a ranch they get a lot of good as well as pleasure from their horses.

Linda who is 16. won high point with Western pleasure riding and horsemanship at our County Fair - She is always some very good horses taking part so we are proud she did so well. She was also high point winner in the District Contest. She and Duane 14 have won enough high points so they can enter their horses at the State Fair in Lincoln the last of the week. They belong to a Saddle Club and put on drills at various parades and activities.

We hope this finds you well. Give our regards to Mrs. Witt - we did enjoy our visit with you and appreciated your help. Our weather has been hot and cool by turns - have had rains - which is good on the crops and features.

Sincerely
Lurmetia Bush Warner

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MRS MARY C OLIVER
384 S MAIN ST
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Dear Kathryn:-

when I was in Richmond I found this record of the Bush Family in "Adventurers of Purse and Person" by Jester. It is practically what you sent me but this record gives the authorization of the stamp in the footnotes. I looked up several and found them legal proof. One of the men in the library & archives told me they would be accepted anywhere.

I thought you would be interested in this Family History of Mary Bryan the wife of Philip Bush.

I am so glad to get what you sent me on the Martin - I looked up deeds etc mentioned in it and found them to be true.

This checking of family history grows on one and you want to check each new name you find mentioned. I hope to come to Winchester some time in the fall and want to see you then.

with best regards;

Mary Creath Oliver



Watertown, S.D. 57201
P.O. box 444
August, 1, 1978.

Dear Miss Owen:

after visiting with you
the afternoon of July 21
I went up through West
Virginia and into Maryland,
Pennsylvania and New York
then headed back home and
arrived here July 28th.

Enclosed are the bits of
Bush and Powell records of
ancestry that I have. The
Bush ancestry is of course on my
father's side and the Powell
ancestry is my mother's side.
unable to go any further
back on her ancestry.

If this is of interest to
you I'd be glad to hear
from you about it and in
some cases might be able
OVER

to add a bit more
information.

If you've been able
by now to identify and of
the pictures I left with you
their names might bring
back memories to me and
again, perhaps not.

Sincerely, James A. Bush