

Alexander Ramsey & Agnes Dye

Alexander Ramsey was born in South Carolina about 1798 and he is believed to be buried at Ramsey Family Cemetery (known as Bridges Cemetery in 2006, on Property belonging to Bob Ramsey). There is an old stone marked A.R. there. His parents are John & Sarah Smith Ramsey of York Co, SC. Alexander married Agnes Dye b. 1801 in Rutherford Co, NC to Henry & Anna Dye. John Ramsey and Wife Sarah are buried at Ramsey Family Cemetery in York Co, SC along with his wife. He died Dec 25, 1822, with his will probated in 1823. John Ramsey Sr.'s Will names the following children: Daughters, Anny & Jenny, sons, Thomas, David, Harvey, Alexander, Henry, Abraham and John Jr. Alex & Aggy resided in the Lattimore, NC area. Harvey and Alexander were Executors (usually oldest boys). Some people confuse this family with the one from Pickens Co, SC. These are the not the same, they are likely cousins.

Their Children were:

John Ramsey b.1822-1830

John and Preston Ramsey are mentioned as heirs to Alexander's Estate. According to the Cleveland Banner, Preston and John removed from the State. Preston Ramsey is listed as a tenant in common with the other grandchildren/children of Alex & Aggie's in the estate records. Previously the family had thought that the John Ramsey in York Co, SC that married Maggie and had John Thomas Ramsey was the son, however, recent Land deeds and documents, uncovered that John Ramsey b. 1834 as the son of Thomas Ramsey and Alexander's nephew. We are currently investigating new information to find a John Ramsey born in this time period that would have been alive until 1875-1880 at least, That is Not in the State of North Carolina, perhaps went to TN, that had a Father born SC and mother born NC. Perhaps he went to SC, TN, AL or Georgia. If you are aware of information please contact us.

Thomas Jefferson Ramsey b. Sep 17, 1825 and died Nov 24, 1855

This information came from the WPA Cemetery Record Book recorded in 1939, He was buried at Ramsey Family Cemetery, near Lattimore, Cleveland Co, NC He married Celia Walker Pannell, the daughter of Martin Pannell and Cynthia Walker. Celia b. Oct 6, 1832 and d. Dec 13, 1873.

Celia remarried to Berry Hamrick b. Sept. 2, 1820 d. Dec 13, 1917.

Berry represented the children in the estate records for Alex Ramsey.

Celia's grave was recently moved from its original place to Double Springs Cemetery next to Berry. A new stone was erected there.

Jefferson and Celia Ramsey had the following Children:

Sarah JANE Ramsey b. July 24, 1850 d. July 28, 1884

She married John Madison Bridges. She is buried as Jane Bridges wife of J M Bridges at Double Springs Baptist Church Cemetery near Washburn's Switch in Lattimore, NC. J. M. (James Monroe) Bridges handled the Estate of Alexander Ramsey vs. Preston & John Ramsey.

Grandison S Ramsey b. Jan 27, 1852 d. Nov 2, 1908 married Judy Blanton Wright b. Jan 30, 1853 d. Jan 21, 1940 on Aug 6, 1870 in Cleveland Co, NC. They are buried at Beaverdam Baptist Church Cemetery. They had 3 known children: Willie O. Ramsey McSwain b. 5 Jul 1871 T Mae Ramsey Dellinger b. 10 Apr 1873 Clarence Oscar Ramsey b Sept 25, 1873 d. Mar 14, 1953 he married Edna Wilaura Bridges b. Aug 8, 1875 d. Oct 23, 1945 in Cleveland Co, NC. They are buried at Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church Cemetery. They had two known children Granderson "Thomas" Ramsey b. Sep 16, 1896 & Madie Ramsey b. 1906.

Martin Pannell Ramsey is the youngest child of Celia Pannell & Jefferson Ramsey. Martin was born May 12, 1855 in Cleveland Co, NC. He was a newborn baby, but a few months old, when his father died. Martin married Susan Parthantine Padgett whom was born Jan 1862 in South Carolina. They had several children whom were raised in South Carolina. John Jefferson Ramsey b. Jan 1879 married Jane Unknown and had Lucille, Alma, John and Susan Ramsey (also Noted Edna C. Francis) Other children of Martin and Susan Ramsey are: Eura C (male) b. Oct 1881, Lula I b. June 1882, Matie E b. March 1886, Martin C b. May 1893 and Charles E b. March 1894.

They resided near Gaffney & Limestone, Cherokee Co, SC from 1900-1920, Martin died 15 April 1936 in Cherokee Co, SC and they are buried at Oakland Cemetery at Gaffney, SC.

Langdon Cheves Ramsey b.1829 d. before 1850 married Margaret Horn b. July 16, 1830. She was the daughter of Henry Horn & Margaret Bartlett. Their Children were:

Henry Alexander Ramsey b Jan 6, 1850 d. Jan 26, 1931 married Elverie (Elvira Caroline Digh (Dye) b. Oct 15, 1853 d. March 17, 1934 on March 30, 1871, near Polkville, Cleveland Co, NC

Elverie and Henry were 2nd Cousins as their Grandparents were siblings. Elverie's parents were John Whitson Dye and Sarah Jane Yarborough. Whitson Dye was the son of John Dye who was the brother of Henry's grandma, Aggy Dye Ramsey.

The children of Henry & Elvira were:

John Alonzo b. Dec 15, 1874; Zulie b. 1876; Cordie b. 1881; Franklin Colon b. Nov 8, 1883; Essie Hester b. March 18, 1885; Alexander Cleveland b. May 16, 1887; Addie Flossie b. April 18, 1889; Mamie Eveline b. May 9, 1891; Roy Claude b. July 18, 1893 and Arthur Bryant Ramsey b. July 7, 1896.

Elizabeth Ann Ramsey was born about 1851. She married H Franklin White May 23, 1872 in Cleveland Co, NC.

John D Ramsey was born July 7, 1855 d. Oct 14, 1931. He married Mattie Amanda Grigg b. June 13, 1861 d. Apr. 13, 1930 on Dec 1, 1885 in Cleveland

Co, NC. They are buried at Mt. Harmony Baptist Church in Rutherford Co, NC.
Their Children were:
Sidney L b. Aug 28, 1887; Mattie b. 1892; Annie b. 1898; John Vassie B b. June 4, 1902; Summie G (male) b. May 13, 1905.

Obituary Provided by Larry Ramsey
**Funeral Services
For Mrs. Ramsey
At Mt. Pleasant**

Aged Cliffside Woman With Many
Relatives In Cleveland County.
Passes At Age 80

Mrs. Elverie Caroline Ramsey, 80, died at her home near Cliffside early Saturday morning.

Mrs. Ramsey's husband, Henry Ramsey, died about three years ago.

Mrs. Ramsey was a faithful member of the Baptist church since early girlhood.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Mount Pleasant Baptist Church Cleveland County, conducted by the pastor, the Rev. J.J. Boone assisted by the Rev.

C.C. Matheney of Greeneville. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

Surviving are five sons, J.A. Ramsey and A.B. Ramsey both of Cleveland, Tenn., F.C. Ramsey of Gaffney, route 9, A.C. Ramsey and R.C. Ramsey, both of Mooresboro, route 2: five daughters, Mrs. J.T. Carswell of Mills Springs, Mrs. W.T. Hamrick of Mooresboro, route 2, Mrs. T.L. Houser of Mooresboro, route 9, Mrs. M.O. Simmons of Cliffside: one brother, George Dye of Gastonia: one sister, Mrs. D.W. Crowder of Lawndale.

Cynthia Ramsey b. 1839 d. 1874 married Andrew L. Brooks b. Mar 17, 1849 d. July 10, 1932 He is buried at Union Baptist Cemetery with his 2nd Wife Matilda O. Powell b. Mar 7, 1851 d. June 2, 1927.

It is possible that Andy had a daughter named Hattie with Cynthia.

Hattie is listed in the household as born in 1871. The rest of Andy's children were born after 1875. It is likely that Cynthia was buried at Ramsey Family Cemetery.

Alexander Ramsey Jr. b.1840 d. April 1863

Alexander Ramsey Co G 5th SCV Jenkins; Infantry Private age 23; Died of Disease at home; April 1863 Alexander married Martha Jane Wallace, 28 Nov 1861,

Alexander died of disease from the war in 1863. Martha remarried to Francis Marion Earle and had more children. I do not know where Martha and Alexander

are buried, but I assume at Ramsey Family Cemetery with no stone. There is no stone with Francis Earle, as he is buried in SC, he died a widower. They lived around the Kings Mountain Area of SC. Francis is buried at Canaan United Methodist Cemetery in York Co, SC. John "Preston" Ramsey was the only child of Alex Jr and Martha Wallace and lived nearby Francis and Martha Earle.

On the 1900 York Co, SC Census:

I located John Preston Ramsey b. Sept 1862 NC NC SC in York Co, SC.
Wife Mary J b Jan 1861 SC, NC, SC married 1880 6/6 Living
Ida E b Mar 1883
Andrew Clawson Ramsey Jan 1885
Thomas Meek Ramsey Sep 1887
Jesse Bland Ramsey Jun 1897
Franklin C Ramsey April 1900
William Alexander Ramsey b., 14 Jul 1881 d. 20 Sept 1921 from a lightening strike.

Preston was actually born 6 Sep 1861 according to his death certificate Preston burned to death in a house fire along with his wife, Mary Jane Ervin, on Jan 5, 1946. This family endured a lot of tragedy.

Both John Ramsey, His Uncle, and Preston Ramsey were mention in the Will of Alexander, because John Ramsey was his son who had moved away from NC and Preston was his grandson, via Alexander. Many people have Alexander Jr and Martha matched up wrongly to other families in the area, however, they are likely unaware of Alexander Ramsey's Estate records across the border in Cleveland Co, NC.

Alexander Ramsey Estate Records

*A Return of the Estate of T J Ramsey for the year 1862 \$21.15
Martin Pannell Guardian of the heirs of T J Ramsey
To In open court Dec the 18th 1862
Recorded on page 244 Book B*

(Thomas Jefferson Ramsey married Cely Pannell, dau of Martin Pannell.
He was the son of Alexander Ramsey and Aggie Dye b 1826)

*State of North Carolina Superior Court
Cleveland County to the Sheriff of Cleveland County , Greetings,
Whereas Aggie Ramsey widow of Alexander Ramsey , lately filed her petition in the Superior Court of said County for Dower in the lands of the said Alexander Ramsey , Dec'd, And Whereas the said Superior Court ordered that a unit of Dower be issued to the Sheriff in her behalf, as it the following lands tenants, and heriditaments in said County of which her said husband died seized and possessed to wit 86 Acres of land joining the lands of Thos Cagdale,, A C Williamson & al.
These are therefore to command you to summon five free holders connected to the parties neither by consequently or affinity and entirely disinterested who after being*

duly sworn by you are to allot and set off to the said, Aggie Ramsey, by proper mites and bounds, One third in value, of all the said lands Tenants and heridiments including therein the dwelling house and all offices, outhouses , buildings and improvements thereunto belonging or in anyway appertaining , during the term of her natural life,

And to put her in the possession of the same and the allotment of Dower made by the said jury after being

Reduced into unity and signed by them, you are to return to the Superior Court

Witness J Jenkins, Clerk of Superior Court at office this 20th Day of March 1874, J Jenkins CAC

Cleveland Co.

*North Carolina Superior Court
Cleveland County*

J M Bridges & Wife etal

Vs

Preston Ramsey

Petition for Sale of Land for Petitioner

To the Honorable the Superior Court of Said County,

The Petition of Cynthia Brooks and husband Andrew Brooks, the heirs of Cheves Ramsey deceased to wit, Henry Ramsey and Eliza & John Ramsey infants by their next friend Henry Ramsey, the heirs of Jefferson Ramsey deceased to wit, Jane Bridges wife of J M Bridges, G S Ramsey and Martin Ramsey an Infant under 21 years of age by his next friend Berry Hamrick, respectfully, showeth unto this Honorable Court that they together with defendant Preston Ramsey are tenants in Common of the Tract of Land consisting of about eighty acres lying in Township No 8. In Cleveland County, and adjoining land of Anderson Williams, thou bequeath others, which lands descended to them as his heirs at law, of Alexander Ramsey, Deceased, late of the said County, leaving him surviving a widow Aggie Ramsey who is entitled to Dower in the said land.

And your Petitioner further shows that they _____to have Partition of the said land made amongst them according to their respective rights and intends them, but owing to the size of the said tract the number of portions included the mothers and quality of the _____ and other causes , it is infeasible that _____ Partition themselves, can be had without serious injury to the Portions. Your Petitioner therefore, pray this Honorable Court to order a Sale of the said lands on such terms as may be just and responsible, and that the

Proceeds of the Sale may be divided among them and defendants according to their respective interests therein and may be paid them as _____ for them according to the law and the course of this Honorable Court, and that a writ of dower issued to the Sheriff of Cleveland County Commanding him to proceed

The log off and set apart to Aggie Ramsey widow of said Alexander Ramsey her dower in the said lands according to the law ans is in such owns, _____ and provided your petitioner will her _____

Lee Durham ATTY for Petitioner

Filed Jan 16th 1874 and order to publish.

*(* Cynthia Ramsey Brooks, Dau of Alex & Aggie Dye Ramsey, Sarah Jane Bridges dau of Thomas Jefferson Ramsey & Cely Pannell, Grandison S Ramsey and Martin P Ramsey as well.*

Henry, Eliza, & John Ramsey children of Langdon Cheves Ramsey, son of Alex and Aggie Dye Ramsey.

Preston is John Preston Ramsey son of Alexander Ramsey Jr and Martha Jane Wallace. Preston was Grandson of Alex and Aggie Dye Ramsey. John Ramsey and wife Margaret E. Ramsey who reside in York Co, SC. John was son of Alex and Aggie)

J M Bridges & Wife against (Sarah Jane Ramsey Bridges)

*John Ramsey and Preston Ramsey
Cleveland County Court*

Summons Superior County

State of North Carolina

To the Sheriff of Cleveland County-Greeting

You are hereby commanded to summons John Ramsey & Preston Ramsey the Defendant named above if they be found in your County, to be and appear before the Clerk of our Superior Court, to be held for the county of Cleveland at the Court House in Shelby within 20 days after the service of this Summons and there to answer the Complaint which will be deposited in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court for the Said County, with in the 20 days after the issuing of this summons fail to answer the said complaint within that time, the Plaintiff will take judgment against the relief descended in the affidavit, Here in Fail not and of this summons make due return. Given under my and the seal of the said Court

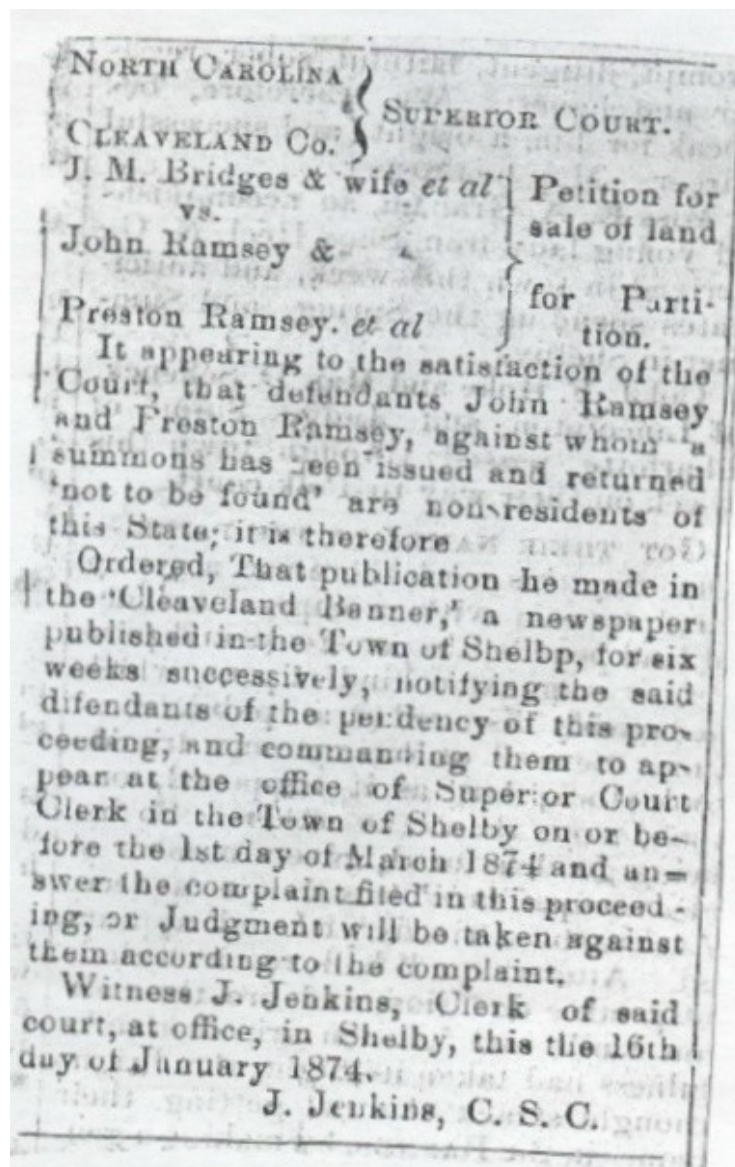
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This 15th Day of Jan 1874 J Jenkins Clerk

Appearing in the Cleveland Banner

North Carolina Superior Court
Cleveland County Petition for Sale of Land or Partition

Continued..



J M Bridges Vs John Ramsey, Preston Ramsey et al. IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that defendants John Ramsey and Preston Ramsey against who in a summons has been issued and returned NOT TO BE FOUND are non-residents of this State, it it therefore Ordered that Publication be made in the Cleveland Banner a newspaper published in the town of Shelby, NC, for 6 weeks successively, notifying the said defendants of the tendency of this proceeding commanding them to appear at the office of the Superior Court Clerk in the Town of Shelby on or before the 1st Day of March, 1874. And answer this complaint

filed in the proceeding or judgment will be take against them according to the complaint.

An 1829 Land Deed proves that Alexander was the son of John Ramsey and Sarah Smith of York Co, SC and was submitted by Brenda Ramsey.

300. No 519
State of South Carolina
York District
Know all Men by these presents that Alexander Ramsey
of the State of North Carolina. Rutherford County one of the Executors of the Estate of John Ramsey
Senr. Dec'd in consideration of the sum of twenty three dollars to me in hand paid by Joseph G. Smith
of the State and District aforesaid have Granted Bargained Sold released and Deded and by
these presents do grant Bargain Sell deed release unto the said Joseph G. Smith all that Tract or part
of Land containing by Estimation forty two Acres be the same more or less it being the Distributive
Share of Abraham Ramsey Dec'd which was left to him by the Will of John Ramsey Senr. Dec'd and so
by said Abraham Ramsey in his life time to David Ramsey and the same by David Ramsey to Joseph
Smith it Beginning on a Black Oak or Black Oak running So 85. N. 12. to a Black Oak thence N. 12.
20. to a post Oak thence So 76 E. 15. to a pine thence So 9. N. 22. to the Beginning bounded East by
Ramsey land on the North end by Cowles land on the West side by Sept Landings land and on the
South by Joseph G. Smith land formerly belonged to David Ramsey together with all and Singu
the rights Members Hereditaments and Appurtenances to the said premises belonging or in any way
incident or appertaining to Have and to hold all and singular the premises before Mentioned
unto the said Joseph G. Smith his Heirs and assigns for ever And I do hereby bind My self or
Heirs Executors and Administrators to Warrant and for ever defend all and singular the sa
premises unto the said Joseph G. Smith his Heirs and assigns against my self and my Heirs
against every person whomsoever lawfully claiming the same or any part thereof in Witness
my hand and Seal this 11th day of December in the year of our Lord One Thousand eight
hundred and twenty nine and in the fifty third and fifty fourth year of the Independence
The United States of America Signed Sealed and Acknowledged in presence of us
Abraham ^{his} children Daniel Smith Intested before signed Alexander Ramsey Esq. of John Ramsey Dec'd

North Carolina 2 Suprem Court
Chancery Court

J. M. Bridges wife ~~J. M. Bridges~~ Petition for
Partition of land
Preston Ramsey } for partition

To The Honorable The Supreme Court
of said County.

The Petition of ~~J. M. Bridges~~
~~and wife J. J. Ramsey~~, by their
Attorneys and Counsel Andrew
Bundy, the heirs of Lewis Ramsey
deceased, to wit Henry Ramsey,
Anne Eliza + John Ramsey in-
fant, by their next friend Henry
Ramsey; The heirs of Jefferson
Ramsey deceased to wit Jane
Bridges wife of J. M. Bridges;
G. J. Ramsey, Anne Martin
Ramsey an infant under 21
years of age by his next friend
Henry Ramsey, respectfully
sheweth unto this Honorable
Court, that they together with
said defendant Preston Ramsey
are tenants
in common of the parcel
of land consisting of about

225
rightly as lying in Township
No 8, in Highland County, ad-
joining land of Anderson
Williamson, their bogate 17th,
which land descended to
them as his at law
of Abraham Ramsey and
lot of Price County who
died intestate in Price County,
leaving him having a widow
our Aggie Ramsey who is now
titled to own in the Price
land.

Since your petitioners fur-
ther show, that they claim
to have partition of said
land made amongst them
according to their respect-
ive rights and interests
therein, but owing to the
size of the Price tract, the
number of parties inter-
ested the nature and
quality of the soil and
other causes, it is imper-
missible that actual partition
thereof can be had with-
out serious injury to the
parties. Your petitioners