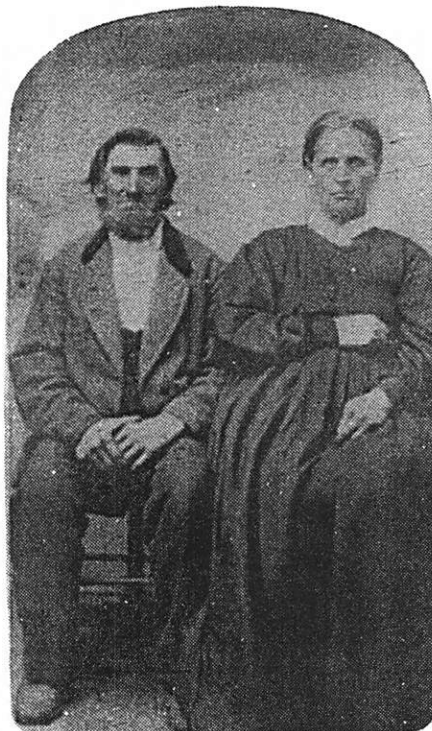


McNEELY'S



of
northwest missouri

and some from

west virginia, pennsylvania,
north carolina, virginia, indiana,
southeast missouri, kentucky

The title "McNeely's of Northwest Missouri" is a little misleading. This book covers more than the Northwest Missouri branch of the McNeely family. However this coverage is result of an attempt by the compiler to show the possible connections of the McNeely clan. At least the McNeely's who arrived early 1700's. We follow the migratory trail of the family from Pennsylvania through Virginia to Kentucky, West Virginia and some to their ultimate destinations in Missouri and Indiana.

The traditional story of many branches of the family tree is that "Four McNeely Brothers came from Ireland to America, each separating and going their separate way". This tradition has not been proven or disproven, but we know that all tradition contains some truth. All indications are that the early McNeely's arrived in America between 1720 to 1750. Most researchers list them as arriving 1732-1737. There are various documents to support this early arrival.

The book contains some historical information of living conditions and family narratives. At the end of each chapter we have included a Genealogical Report of those in that chapter for easy scanning with birth, death, marriage information as well as family groupings.

Researchers/genealogist who have assisted greatly are, Alice Skinner, Agnes Pearlman,

Jim Small, Betty Mills, Cheryl Colbert, Lowell McNeely and Russell Bufkins.

To them a note of gratitude for their patience and tolerance in their communication with this compiler.

This work is not presented as a definitive work on the McNeely family. It is presented as basic tool to assist in further research. Hence the family will be able to progress and eventually we will have a solid history of THE McNEELY FAMILY in America.

PENNSYLVANIA TO NORTH CAROLINA MCNEELYS

Compiled by Maurice McNeely

The earliest information and records indicate that the early McNeely's migrated from borderland of Scotland and England to Northern Ireland. According to *The Book of Irish Families Great & Small* by Michael C. O'Laughlin the McNeely name was a principal Name in the County of Antrim County, Ireland in 1659. In the early 1700's they arrived in America. Some families settled in Pennsylvania while others continued to Virginia with other Scots/Scotch-Irish during the years 1720-1735. Some of the Virginia migrants continued on to West Virginia, North Carolina or Kentucky. Records and other information indicate that the Rowan, Mecklenburg and Iredell, North Carolina McNeely's migrated to North Carolina from Bucks and/or Lancaster Counties of Pennsylvania. According to the History of Bucks County the Scots/Scotch Irish of that County arrived in Bucks County between 1716 and 1745. The same History states the McNeely's probably arrived between 1735-1741. We find the McNeely's first mentioned in history and records in the townships of Bedminster, Allen, Tinicum with an allied Hart family in Plumstead of Bucks County. Hanna, in his "The Scotch-Irish", tells us that Neshaminy in Warwick township, and Deep Run in Bedminster township were established in 1726; Plumstead in the township of the same name three years later, in 1730 and Tinicum in Tinicum township, in 1739. William W. H. Davis, in his "History of Bucks County" has this to say: "They were almost exclusively Presbyterian." There are also McNeely's in Chester and Greene County, Pennsylvania, all migrating from Northern Ireland and probably closely related.

The History of Bedminster, Bucks County, Pennsylvania states: "In the early 1700's there was a migration of Scotch-Irish from Northern Ireland. This was due not from famine, but as a result of the Trade and Navigation Act passed by Parliament in 1696. This Act classified Northern Ireland as if it were one of the colonies, as far as taxation was concerned. Many people faced complete financial ruin. The end result was a migration into the colonies. They preferred the wilderness to the cities. Not so much for the privacy, but to get away from the sight and sound of the British and British law, which they felt had betrayed them. They journeyed out into the wilderness and finding land they liked which was unoccupied, they squatted. They felt that God did not like idle land, and if the Proprietors were not doing anything with the land, why, then they would. And so they became squatters. They moved in, then had to be removed when the land was legally sold. This was one of William Allen's (a land proprietor) big problems...as land was sold to speculators, squatters who had the means could get a mortgage and buy their plot if they wished. We know that Isaac Norris used a plan whereby a man could pay a sum each year for twenty years. Then on the twenty-first year the land became his, and he received a deed. It is not known if William Allen used this plan, but we do know he had some sort of contractual arrangement with those buying his land." (Early Families, page 5, History of Bedminster, Bucks County, PA, fourth printing, September 1999, by Bedminster Historical Society, Pauline Cassel, 1976)

"Active in the Deep Run Presbyterian Church in early time was **ROBERT MCNEELY**. He settled on 153 acres of land north of church site. His brother **JOHN MCNEELY** settled above him on 190 acres of land...both brothers are on Allen land. They probably settled here AFTER 1741. There may have been a purchase agreement sat up with William Allen, but it never came into fruition. Allen's Estate sold...in 1801... And so, sixty years of hard work and heavy taxation went down the drain. The tax list of 1782 and 1783 show both McNeely's are on the Allen Estate. The end of the revolution proprietary land was now commonwealth land. There would be patents and warrants issued into the mid eighteen hundreds in this area. As for the land that had been William Allen's the American government had confiscated it. A court battle ensued to regain the land by his estate, headed by Ann Penn Greenleaf. Granddaughter of William Allen. She and her family succeeded in regaining control of what was William Allen's land. Many families on that land did not have a deed to their property. It may be they had a purchase agreement with William Allen which became void after 1776, when Allen went to England. They had paid their taxes on the land to the Continental Government during the war on the basis that the land was theirs by default. Now the estate came along with purchase demands. It is not known if these families were given first chance to purchase their land from the estate or if they could not meet the price set by the estate, however, we do know that the unsold land of William Allen's Estate went on public auction several times. The auctions held in 1800 and 1801 took place at John Shaw's Tavern in Dublin. This was the former Robert Robinson Tavern (John and Archibald McNeely were witnesses for Robert Robinson on his application for tavern in 1770). Men such as **ROBERT MCNEELY** who had held over 300 acres in 1782 were sold out. The land was re-plotted. Property lines changed and new people settled on land that had been farmed by another for over forty years." (Early Families, page 37, History of Bedminster, Bucks County, PA, fourth printing, September 1999, by Bedminster Historical Society, Pauline Cassel, 1976). The History mentions Robert McNeely and John McNeely on land North of Deep Run Presbyterian Church however the land records contained in this same source list the land as being occupied by Robert McNeely and Widow McNeely. Also the tax list contained in the History as Robert McNeely's Estate and Widow McNeely's Estate is on the Surtax of 1799. Estate does not always signify that the individual is deceased. The Bucks County Transcript 1779 has Robert McNeely's est 300

acres 4 horses 7 cattle and Andrew McNeely's estate 100 acres 2 horses and 4 cattle. This indicates that the land mentioned in The History of Bedminster, Bucks County was Robert and Andrew McNeely. Also listed on the mentioned transcript is John McNeely single man, this would not be Robert's brother but as explained later was probably son of Robert Junior. The direct tax of 1798 Bucks County list Widow Manely (McNeely) as occupant on William Allen property adjoining John Eigel and Henry Weisel and William Manely (McNeely) occupant on William Allen property adjoining Thomas Darrah and Robert Darrah. William McNeely was oldest son of Robert Junior and Rebecca McNeely. We believe brothers Robert and John McNeely arrived Bucks County, Pennsylvania along with other Scots/Scotch-Irish immigrants, however we believe mentioned land is either that of Robert Senior or Robert Junior and Andrew, not John and Robert. The groupings shall be discussed more in depth as we proceed.

The History of Bucks County by W.W.H. Davis has **Jonathan (John) McNeely** as settling farther North in Bucks County in Allen Township on Allen land. "*Allen Township, Bucks County, PA, The Scotch-Irish settlers in Allen moved in the organization of a township in 1746. At the June term "the inhabitants living on the west branch of the Delaware" petitioned the court to fix the boundary of a township. The pioneers of the Lehigh who petitioned for the township were: Jonathan McNeely, James McAlexander (Alexander mm), Joseph Kerr, Jonathan Kerr, David Kerr, James Kerr, Thomas Thompson, Thomas Armstrong, William Craig, James Craig, Thomas Craig, William Craig and others.*" . (THE HISTORY OF BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, CHAPTER XXXVII, SMITHFIELD; ALLEN; MOUNT BETHEL; MOORE; EASTON; 1746 TO 1750 from the discovery of the Delaware to the present time by W. W. H. Davis, A.M., 1876 and 1905 editions. CHAPTER VII (Vol. II), 1905 ed.... 1746 TO 1750). Some of these same surnames are found in North Carolina and VA in association with the McNeely's. My deduction based on preceding information is that **Robert I and John I** were brothers who migrated from Northern Ireland, to Bucks County, PA by 1741. They both settled as tenants on Allen land, **Robert I** in Bedminster and **John I** in what became Allen Township. **Andrew, son of Robert I** settled on Allen land adjoining **Robert I**. **Robert I** died 90 years of age and is buried in Deep Run Cemetery and has grave marker with date of death of April 24, 1780; **Robert II** (more on Robert II later) died at 66 years of age and is buried in Deep Run Cemetery and has grave marker with Revolutionary Marker and date of death as November 11, 1795. The 1779 Transcript shows **Andrew McNeely** estate and the tax list shows widow McNeely. Widow McNeely on same land following years until Allen land sold. Martha McNeely, Andrew married Martha Morrison, is listed on the 1790 census in this same location, hence we believe **Andrew** son of **Robert I** died in 1778. No grave marker found but we do have Neely, no first name legible who died in 1778 at 49 years in same row and next to **Robert McNeely II** in Deep Run Cemetery. We believe this to be **Andrew** (more on Andrew later) son of **Robert II**.

The preceding information gives strong support of the probability of **John I** and **Robert Senior** being brothers who immigrated to Bucks County, Pennsylvania from Northern Ireland. We also have found information that supports **Adam McNeely** (discussed under North Carolina Adam) as a brother. A good possibility exists that the two brothers who migrated to North Carolina were **Adam** and **John I** with **Robert I** remaining in Bucks County. However this writer believes the **John** and **Robert** of North Carolina tradition are second and third generation families as shall be discussed later in this project. There is a **McNeely** tradition in all branches that four brothers migrated from Ireland to America, they separated and went their separate ways. This tradition probably has some merit and there is a possibility that **George McNeely** of Augusta County is a brother to **Adam**, **John** and **Robert**. We list this as pure speculation based on the affiliation of surnames in Pennsylvania, North Carolina and Virginia. The following shall focus on what we believe to be strong support for **Adam**, **John I**, **Robert I** (siblings) and **David** as progenitors of the Rowan, Mecklenburg and Iredell North Carolina McNeely's. First we shall discuss Bucks County, Pennsylvania families and then shall look at the McNeely's in the North Carolina counties of Rowan, Mecklenburg and Iredell.

BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ROBERT McNEELY SENIOR

Immigrant **Robert McNeely** came to Bucks County from Ireland. Some of his descendants migrated to North Carolina and Ohio. **Robert** was born about 1690 in Tyrone County, Ireland. The North Carolina records and a letter written by Archibald McNeely's daughter reveals an **Adam McNeely** and at least one sibling (referred to in this project as *Grandfather*) migrated to America from Ireland about the same time, possibly same group. **Robert** came to Bucks County, PA around 1732 and died April 24, 1780 in Deep Run, PA. He is buried in the Deep Run Presbyterian Church cemetery. (Source: "*Bucks County Tombstone Inscriptions, Bedminster Township, Deep Run Presbyterian Cemetery.*"). He migrated to Deep Run, Bucks County, PA around 1732 according to "The Compendium of American Genealogist". Notes and Queries by William Egle, which appears to be supported by documentation, states "*Robert McNeely was settled in Bucks County, PA, Bedminster township, as early as 1735; was in that year an elder in Presbyterian church, built at Deep Run in 1732. Robert died in 1782, and was buried at Deep Run*"

church...". The exact date of Robert Sr's arrival in the Province is unknown. The History of Bucks County, PA, Chapter 35, Bedminster, 1742 by W. W. H. Davis in referring to the early settlers of Deep Run, PA states "...these first-comers were from the north of Ireland, and belonged to that sturdy race known as Scotch-Irish, which played such an important part in the settlement of both the county and state. Although the township is now German, this race settled there at a subsequent period, and their descendants have gradually pushed out the English-speaking people and become dominant. The Scotch-Irish Presbyterians had not been long seated on Deep Run before they organized a church, which took the name of that stream, and bears it to this day....In the old graveyard lie the remains of former generations, the inscriptions on the tombstones carrying us back nearly a century and a half. We read on these mute memorials of the past, that Alexander Williams died January 22, 1747, Samuel Hart, Jr., 1750, Samuel Cochran in 1767, Thomas Thompson in 1767,.....At a later day there were buried there, Robert Barnhill, **ROBERT MCNEELEY**, ...and others, fathers of the township." In the public release released by the tourism department of Bucks County it states for Bedminster "First settlers of the township were Irish from the counties of Donegal and Antrim and perhaps other parts of northern Ireland....before the close of the 18th century a number of them migrated to North Carolina." This information seems to substantiate Robert's arrival period, his location and the movement of his descendants prior to 1800. Robert served for many years as an Elder in the Deep Run Presbyterian Church, which was organized about 1734.

Bucks County Tombstone Inscriptions, Bedminster and Haycock Townships (Bucks County), Compiled by Frances Wise Waite, Bucks County Genealogical Society, Doylestown, PA 18901 has Robert McNeely 90 years of age died April 24, 1780. He is buried in Row 8 of the Deep Run Presbyterian Cemetery Bedminster Township. This death date of 90 shows he was born about 1690 making him the first generation of McNeely's into Bucks County. We have found no will or other official documents concerning Robert McNeely Senior. This is not unusual for the early arrivals of Scots/Scotch-Irish were more concerned with survival and clearing land than record keeping. However this lack of official documents and lack of a will means we have been unable to determine the family of immigrant Robert McNeely Senior. There has been some confusion between he and the family of Robert Junior we will discuss this under Robert Junior. Immigrant Robert McNeely Senior's family HAS NOT been established or has it been confirmed. However land and tax documents support the listing of Robert Junior and Andrew as his probable sons. Plus they are both in the same location as Robert Senior; also Robert McNeely, we believe Junior, age 66 is found buried next to Robert McNeely, we believe Senior, age 90 in the Deep Run Cemetery. There is a tombstone that only the name Neely is legible in same roll as both Roberts, this guy died at 49 years of age in 1778, probably Andrew, will discuss under Andrew. The Scots-Irish had large families it can be assumed Robert Senior had more children.

ROBERT MCNEELY Junior/II (Probable son of Immigrant Robert McNeely Senior)

Robert Junior, son of Robert was born about 1729. This birth date has been determined by his tombstone marker, died at 66 years of age in 1795. Tradition is that he migrated to North Carolina with brother John around 1750. North Carolina oral source states he served in the Revolutionary War in North Carolina and returned to Bucks County, Pennsylvania after the war. The associate list of Bedminster County shows he was in Bucks County before and during the Revolutionary War, more on this later in this section. His grave marker has a Rev War flag marker. The 1779 Bucks County Transcript includes Robert McNeely estate 300 acres 4 horses, 7 cattle and Andrew McNeely estate 100 acres 2 horses, 4 cattle plus a John McNeely listed as single man. (PA Archives Third Series Volume page 93, William Stanley Ray State Printer 1897). The first tax list we have for Bedminster, Bucks County, PA is 1782 and it is incomplete. However it includes Robert McNeely. Robert has 330 acres, 3 horses, 6 cows, 5 sheep. We assume from this that Robert Junior has assumed control of his father's estate, it is still listed as Allen's land. Later Tax list 1783-1785 Robert has less acreage. Widow McNeely is listed with 100 acres, 2 horses, 2 cows, this compares with the estate listed as Andrew's. The 1790 census has Martha McNeely in Bedminster, Bucks County, hence this confirms that this is Andrew's estate, Andrew's wife was Martha Morrison. The 1783 list has William McNeely as single man at his father's. William is the oldest son of Robert Junior and Rebecca. The word estate does not always signify that the individual is deceased. The tax rates are given in pounds, shillings, and pence. It was possible for an individual to live on less than TEN SHILLINGS a year. Further comparison may be made by the fact that a free person could work in the fields for A PENCE A DAY, sun up to sun down six days a week during harvest.

Robert Junior, not Robert Senior, had a will written in 1795. Many family groupings show Robert Junior's wife Rebecca and their children to be those of Robert Senior, this includes Professor Egle noted Pennsylvania Historian whose noted work can be found in the Pennsylvania Archives. The will of Robert Junior clarifies this grouping. The date of the will proves it to be the will of Robert Junior.

ROBERT MCNEELY WILL NUMBER 2683 Bucks County, PA. "In the name of God Amen; I Robert McNeely of Bedminster in the County of Bucks being very sick and weak in body but of sound mind

and memory blessed be to God; do this seventh day of November in the Ayer of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following (that is to say) First and Principally I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it, and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent and Christian like manner, nothing doubting to receive the same at the general resurrection, through the merits of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ — ITEM: It is my will and so order that all my just debts and funeral expences be fully paid by my executors herein after named: ITEM I give and bequeath unto my loving wife REBECCA all the household goods and effects which she brought with her to me, when she become my wife — Two - her choice of my stock, my old bay riding mare, and fifty pounds (equivalent 2001 to about \$2250) in money for ever; I give and bequeath unto my three eldest sons viz; JOHN, ROBERT, AND ANDREW the sum of five pounds (equivalent 2001 to about \$225) each as their full share out of my estate, to be paid in one year after my decease; ITEM I give and bequeath unto my daughter Margaret her case of drawers, her bed, and bedding, saddle, and bridle, the tea table which I bought at JOHN McNEELYS vendue also the one half of my pewter, and the residue and remainder of my estate of what ever kind the same may be I give and bequeath (after the before mentioned legacies are paid off) unto my four youngest children Viz - WILLIAM, JOSEPH AND MARGARET to be equally divided between them share and share alike; to them their heirs and assigns forever it is my will that what I have already bequeathed to my wife shall be considered as her share and in lieu of and in full for her dower out of my estate; it is my will that my family live as usual together until next Spring, and so much longer as they may choose or think proper. Lastly I do nominate and appoint my trusty friend Alexander Hughs, and my Said son William McNeely, to be the executors of this my last will and testament, ratifying and confirming and confirming this to be my last will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written ROBERT McNEELY /seal/ signed sealed published and declared by the testator as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have subscribed our names at the request and in the presence of the said testator. JOHN LUBY, JOHN McKINNEY.

BUCKS ff This 14th day of December 1795 personally appeared John Luby and John McKinny, the two subscribing witnesses to the execution of the within written will who being duly attested did declare and say that they were both present and saw and heard the within named ROBERT McNEELY the testator sign, seal, publish and declare, the within instrument of writing as and for his last will and testament and that at the time of so doing he was of sound mind and memory and of a disposing understanding to the best of their knowledge and belief.

BUCKS FF Be it remembered that on the 14th day of December 1796 This the Last Will and Testament of Robert McNeely, deceased was duly proved when letters of testamentary were granted to Alexander Hughs and William McNeely. They having first been solemnly sworn well and truly to administer all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and Credit of the said deceased and in one month from this date to exhibit into the registers for the County of Buck a true inventory and conscionable appraisement of the same and in one year or when thereto lawfully required to render a just account of your whole administration. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office. Registered December 14th 1796 — James Hanna Register.

We see from the will that Rebecca was Robert Junior's wife. The age of Robert's children indicate that Rebecca was Robert's second marriage. She was born about 1740 and died January 25, 1830 in Bucks County PA and is buried in the Deep Run Presbyterian Cemetery. Children of Robert and his first wife are: John, Robert, and Andrew; children of Robert and Rebecca are James, William, Joseph and Margaret. Robert's will states four younger children we assume these children are by he and Rebecca. However the will lists only William, Joseph and Margaret as these younger children. Census information, James will and tombstone inscription indicate that James is the missing youngest son whose name is absent in the will. Margaret, Joseph, James and William are buried in Bucks County, PA. This writer believes that John, Robert and Andrew migrated to North Carolina and are children of Robert and a first wife. The will of James mentions Robert and John's children, Andrew had no children. "...equally divided among the children of my much loved brothers JOHN McNEELY and ROBERT McNEELY." the children of my beloved brothers John and Robert". We have found no living children for Andrew so this little note seems to give us some circumstantial support for this deduction. Robert born 1749, John no birth date, and Andrew born 1757. Robert died in Iredell County, North Carolina and is probably the Robert of tradition, Andrew died in Mecklenburg County and John (probably Planter John) died Mecklenburg, NC (See Mecklenburg Chrono).

On November 26, 1775 the Assembly of Pennsylvania passed a requirement for assessors of the several townships, boroughs, wards and districts to deliver an exact list of names of "every Male white person, capable of bearing Arms, between the age of sixteen and Fifty years." Those able bodied free men who refused to sign up in an associator unit were to be fined two pounds ten schillings by the commissioners. (Pennsylvania Archives, votes of the Assembly vol. VIII pp 7380-7382). The associates list are by townships, *Roll of the Bedminster Militia, 10 August 1775: Andrew McNeeley Sr., Robert McNeely Jr, John McNeely. Roll of the Bedminster Militia 18 August 1775, Andrew McNeely Sr, Robert McNeely Sr, Andrew McNeely Jr, John McNeely, Robert McNeely Jr.* (The Pennsylvania Militia: The Early Years 1669-1792 by Samuel J. Newland; Ph.D. Professor Military Education U. S. Army War College Carlisle, PA. Commonwealth of PA Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, Anrville, PA). Andrew Senior who died in 1778 would be the son of Robert Senior. The one listed as Robert McNeely Senior is in fact Robert Junior immigrant Robert

would be 85 years of age. The one listed as Robert Junior is **Robert III** we find later in North Carolina. Robert the third's second wife made application for Revolutionary War Pension in North Carolina, it states he served in the Pennsylvania line, (*Genealogical Abstracts of Revolutionary War Pension Files Volume II: F - M, Abstracted by Virgil D. White, The National Historical Publishing Company, Waynesboro, Tennessee, 1991 page 2305*). **Andrew Junior** is son of Robert Junior, Junior denotes age in this instance. **John** is son of Robert Junior. So we have Robert and Andrew sons of immigrant Robert and we have Robert III, Andrew and John sons of Robert Junior. By this we know that Robert II and his sons were in Bucks County, Pennsylvania prior to and probably during the Revolutionary War. The Revolutionary Pension Application filed by Robert III's second wife plus the wills of Robert the third, Andrew and John in North Carolina confirms their relation and their migration to North Carolina. The conclusion is Robert Senior, Robert Junior and his family were all in Bedminster Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania until after the Revolutionary War. This also supports my previous statement that John, Robert III (*probably Robert of tradition found listed in Thyatira Church*) and Andrew, sons of Robert II migrated to North Carolina. This writer has found no supporting material for Robert Senior or Robert Junior ever being in North Carolina. We will further discuss the sons of Robert II, John, Robert and Andrew under the North Carolina section.

ANDREW McNEELY (*Probable son of Immigrant Robert Senior*)

The Compendium of American Genealogy, Page 711, Volume V 1933 by Frederick Adams Virkus, The Institute of American Genealogy, Chicago, Illinois has Andrew McNeely son of Robert McNeely who migrated from Ireland to PA in 1732, married to Martha Morrison in 1760. Early Marriages of Pennsylvania has the marriage as October 1760. Virkus does not list sources but is generally accurate except for dates and sometimes generations. In this listing Virkus has Andrew as son of Robert McNeely who died in 1795. Andrew the son of Robert Junior migrated to North Carolina as discussed under Robert McNeely Junior. Handwritten chart by David McNeely Stauffer provided by Marilyn A Kittock has "*The Knox and McNeely families came to (unreadable word) from Dunganon, County Armaugh, North of Ireland about 1710-1720 to America. Andrew McNeely settled at Neshaminy, Bucks County, and was an elder in the church of Rev. Wm Tennent (1726-1743 Mr. Tennent at Deep Run 1732-1757), hence the Wm Tennant in the Phila McNeelys.*" Andrew (*son of Robert Senior*) was born about 1729 and died about 1778. The dates of his birth and death are derived from the Tax and associate list. He is on the 1775 Associate list of Bedminster, Bucks County, PA. Bedminster Township, Bucks County tax list of 1779 has Andrew McNeely estate 100 acres 2 horses 4 cattle. Land map in The History of Bedminster has Widow McNeely on Allen land next to Robert McNeely in Bedminster Township, Bucks County. The 1779 tax list of Bucks County has Andrew McNeely estate 100 acres, 2 horses and 4 Cattle. The 1782 tax list has Widow McNeely 100 acres, 2 horses and 2 cattle. This shows us that Widow McNeely was indeed Martha the widow of Andrew McNeely. There is an illegible tombstone marker with the word Neely and death date of 1778 at age 49 same row as Robert McNeely Senior and members of his family. Compiling this information gives us the mentioned birth and death date.

The 1784 tax list of Bedminster, Bucks County has Martha McNeely with 8 white people in household. Andrew and Martha were married in 1760. We know of Andrew, Margaret and David, add their mother and we account for four of the eight people, this leaves us three more. In 1779 the transcript list has John McNeely as single man, this indicates he was at least 16 years of age, having a birth date around 1763. The 1790 Bucks County census has Martha McNeely with 3 males over 16 and 3 females in her household. John probably one of these males. Direct tax of 1798 Bucks County list Widow Manely (McNeely) Owner William Allen, adjoining John Eigel and Henry Weisel (*Joseph Weisel witness on Matthews will*) 22X14 log house acreage 100. The 1800 census has widow McNeely with 1 male 17-26; females 1 17-26, 1 45 plus. There is little doubt but what this is Andrew's widow and their children. David married 1796, Andrew married March 1801 they would not be in household. We believe John to have married Mary Grier in 1794 (*Record of PA marriages prior to 1810, Volume II, Gen. Pub. 1987*). The census also has William McNeely males 3 17-26; females 2 17-26, 1 45 plus, this compares favorably with the family of Robert Junior, Rebecca would be the over 45 female. The 1810 census of Bucks County has only William and Matthew McNeely listed. William with males 1 27-45, 1 45 plus; females 1 27-45, 1 45 plus. Matthew with males 1 27-45; females 1 27-45, 1 45 plus. We have identified William as son of Robert Junior. This 1810 census indicates that Matthew is son of Andrew. Matthew had will that shows he died prior to the 1820 census. Martha died in 1822, we have not found her on the 1820 census. Since Matthew's will does not mention wife it appears she has died or the female in household may be his sister Nancy. This writer has found no McNeely's on the Bucks County census after 1840. James the youngest son of Robert Senior died at 71 years of age in 1841. Matthew's will: Matthew McNeely has a will that mentions his brother David and sister Nancy.

Will Book Volume 9, page 317, Tinicum Township Bucks County, PA 1815-1824, LDS film 0172904.
 "In the name of God Amen I Matthew McNeely of Hilltown in the County of Bucks being very sick and weak in body, but of sound mind and memory blessed be God for the same do this sixteenth day of Oct. in the year of our Lord A.D. 1818 make and publish this my last will and testament in manner

following, first and principally I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it, and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent and Christian like manner, and as to the worldly substance wherewith it has pleased God to bless me I give in the following manner, first it is my wish and I do order and direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be fully paid by my executor hereafter named. ITEM I give and bequeath unto my brother DAVID McNEELY all my wearing apparel of whatever it may be and the residue and remainder of my estate of whatever kind the same may be, I give and bequeath unto my sister NANCY McNEELY to her, her heirs and assigned forever, and lastly I do nominate my friend WM McNEELY Esq. to be the executor of this my last will and testament, ratifying and confirming this to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written. s/Matthew (his mark M.) McNeely. (Seal). Signed Sealed published and declared by the testator as his last will and testament. In the presence of us who have subscribed our names at the request and in the presents of the said testator. Henry Shellenberger, Joseph Weisel (Joseph and Michael Weisel land owners in same area as Robert McNeely, Michael bought land 1734), Bucks County, PA. on the 4th of December 1818. Henry Shellenberger and Joseph Weisel appeared before me and on their solemn oaths did say that they were present and saw Mathew McNeely the testator sign and seal publish and declare the foregoing writing as ___ for his last will and testament and that at the time of his so doing he was of sound mind and memory and of disposing understanding to the best of their judgement and belief. John Pugh Reg. Bucks County, PA (seal). Registered December 4th 1818.

The known children of Andrew are Margaret, David who married Mary Knox and Andrew who married Sara Bettle. We add to this list, Matthew and Nancy based on Matthew's will and John explained above. Hence Andrew's children would be Nancy, Margaret, John, Matthew, David and Andrew, if this is correct we have accounted for all children except one. This article is primarily concerned with the North Carolina migrants hence we will not discuss this family in depth. We have listed this information to avoid confusion with Andrew McNeely son or Robert Junior who migrated to North Carolina.

DAVID McNEELY (Probably migrated from Lancaster, PA)

We have not found David on any document in Pennsylvania and as stated earlier have no documents showing the family of Robert Senior. However it was common for the Scots/Scotch-Irish to have large families and we are confident that Robert Senior would be no exception. We do know that David is second generation of Rowan County North Carolina McNeely's. Since no information for David is found in Pennsylvania we shall discuss the basis for our deduction under the North Carolina section.

ROWAN, IREDELL, MECKLENBURG COUNTIES NORTH CAROLINA

The Rowan, Iredell, Mecklenburg, North Carolina McNeely were probably part of a group of Bucks County Presbyterians who moved to this part of North Carolina. Land was available in North Carolina and other Presbyterians had preceded them to this area. The McNeely's migrated from Tyrone or Antrim County, Ireland to Bucks County, Pennsylvania and from there to North Carolina. The early ones were faithful and active Presbyterians. *"The Deep Run Presbyterian Church was the cradle of that denomination north of Neshaminy. It was recognized as a church and received into the presbytery in 1732...A walk through the adjoining country reveals many graves with no mark to perpetuate the posthumous fame of their occupants. Among the earliest tombstones with inscriptions where... the Stewarts, Bryans, Smiths, Dunlaps, Wigtons, Darrahs, ARMSTRONGS (Samuel and Andrew Armstrong same area as Robert McNeely, later Sarah Armstrong married Edward Rutledge and George McNeely married Sarah Rutledge their daughter. George McNeely son of David McNeely Senior of VA, possibly links Bucks County and Augusta County, VA McNeely's) AND McNEELYS are among other tenants of this "God's Acre". In ROWAN COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA five hundred and fifty miles from this place, there is a large and flourishing congregation of the Concord Presbytery, a large proportion of the members of which are descended from persons formerly connected with this church and congregation."* (page 575, *The History of Bucks County, PA*, edited by J.H. Battle, The Reprint Company, publishers, Spartanburg, South Carolina 1985.).

M. W. (Bill) McCombs Junior, 809 Race Street, Statesville, North Carolina, 28677 doing research for Mrs. Betty Mills, Cape Girardeau County Genealogical Society, Jackson, Missouri April 2002 expressed the common tradition of the McNeely of this part of North Carolina. His report:

"Having failed to make much progress with "The McNeely Family History in North Carolina" being unable to place the settlement of the brothers John and Robert McNeely II in North Carolina after their journey from Bucks County, PA in 1750. I made a visit to one of the oldest Presbyterian Churches in North Carolina, which is on NC Highway 150, 10 miles West of Salisbury, NC toward Mooresville. The name of the Church is Thyatira Presbyterian Church and was founded in 1755 as Cathey's Meeting House; The present Church building was constructed in 1860 and is still in operation. There is a large well maintained Cemetery to the right side and

back of this Church with a circular paved driveway; near the driveway entrance stands a large glass enclosed list of those Church members who are buried in this cemetery.

My interest here was to help you trace the McNeely Family, and I learned that **Robert McNeely II**, as you no doubt remember, was the son of Robert McNeely Senior (an immigrant born in Scotland) and is supposed to be buried here (*probably should be Robert III son of Robert Junior*). I also learned that **Robert McNeely II** (*probably Robert III*) was a deacon in Thyatira Presbyterian Church at one time. After I saw the glass enclosed cemetery list I thought that, at last, I could document the source for trace of Robert McNeely II. However, it was not to be because those interred in the cemetery were buried there many years ago in 1749 when a small log house was first used as a meeting place and many of the graves were marked with a field stone in the later 1700s. I did copy down the McNeely names listed in the enclosed case who could be some of the descendants of **Robert McNeely II**. If you will recall his brother, **John** (*this is probably John III, not immigrant John*) probably fought in the Revolutionary War here in NC but was buried with military honors at Bucks County PA (*no support for this statement found*)...we know for certain from records of the Thyatira Presbyterian Church in Rowan County, NC that a **John McNeely** (1724-1801) (*probably John II, I think son of immigrant John, no confirmed information found on immigrant John in NC, discussed later in this document*) was an elder in that church. We don't know about his marriages and children...we know (legend) that **Robert McNeely II** came to North Carolina with his brother John in 1750 (*generations & families mixed up, the Robert referring to would be Robert III, John referring to I think son of immigrant John*), and that tombstone inscriptions, Deep Run Presbyterian Cemetery, Bucks County, PA indicate that a Revolutionary War flag marker was placed at his grave (*placed at grave of Robert II, I don't think he ever came to North Carolina, discussed earlier*)...Moved to Rowan County, NC with his brother John and enlisted in the Continental Army (1776). At end of Revolutionary War he moved back to Bucks County, PA where he died November 11, 1795 at 66...**John McNeely** b 1724-27, **Robert McNeely II** 1729 and **Andrew McNeely** 1738 were the children of Robert McNeely's first wife (*this is correct, however they are children of Robert II not immigrant Robert*). The Revolutionary War ended in 1781; What was happening to **Robert McNeely II** between 1781 and his death in 1795? (*on Allen land in Pennsylvania*). A period of some 14 years. Documented information on mentioned **John McNeely** ends at Thyatira Presbyterian Church, Rowan County, NC." The remainder of Mr. McCombs report contains family listings and McNeely articles published elsewhere." Mr. McCombs list some McNeely's buried in early 1900s. He also list some family groupings I have listed in my family groupings, he did provide us some new dates and of course some additional clues.

I believe Mr. McCombs expresses the acceptable tradition of many of the North Carolina researchers quite well. Notice my comments within his report, the basis for my comments are given in this project. He also shows the difficulty of documenting the arrival time and the name of the early arrivals. For some reason the North Carolina family researchers as well as the professionals seem to miss Adam McNeely that I have found to be first generation McNeely from Pennsylvania to North Carolina. The purpose of this project is an attempt to clarify, possibly give at least circumstantial support for the traditions, to show some obvious discrepancies to these traditions and to give some possibilities of family groupings. Available information indicates the subject North Carolina McNeely's migrated from Bucks or Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. Land documents and history show **Robert McNeely I** as immigrant and first generation, no information to support move to North Carolina; court document/newspaper article shows an **Adam McNeely** in Bucks County, it is possible that Adam migrated from Bucks to Lancaster County then to North Carolina, also first generation; petition for Allen Township and History of Bucks County gives us **Jonathan (John) McNeely** in Bucks County, first generation. No documents have identified this John in North Carolina, however letter of Eleanor McNeely mentions grandfather, various documents of North Carolina McNeely's indicate it is probable that grandfather is this John. Robert, Adam and John are the only ones we have found of this generation in Bucks County. Based on generation, movement, association and naming patterns of families I believe them to be brothers. If North Carolina McNeely's migrated from Bucks County, then these men must have been the progenitors of the subject families. David McNeely also in Rowan County, he is second generation and closely related to these families. David is also progenitor of North Carolina folk. This gives us four family branches. This project is an attempt to identify these family branches.

ADAM McNEELY (*Immigrant and First generation McNeely to North Carolina*)

The earliest documents showing McNeely families in Rowan County North Carolina are land documents listing John (*we believe immigrant John I*) and Adam McNeely owning land in 1765 (*Early Landowners, Rowan County, North Carolina, James W. Klutz, 106 Chancellors Ridge Ct, Cary, NC 27513*) and the 1768 tax list of Rowan County listing David and John McNeely (*same John*). The North Carolina families have a tradition that Robert and John McNeely migrated to North Carolina around 1750. The tradition varies however they are all in agreement Robert and John came to North Carolina. Some have John remaining and Robert returning to PA and serving in the Revolutionary War, we will address this tradition

later. We know individuals by the name of Robert and John McNeely came to North Carolina, however we do not know which generation of Robert and John or do we know the arrival date of the earliest McNeely's. The tradition never mentions an Adam McNeely, but he is found in early records of Rowan and in a letter from Archibald McNeely's daughter Eleanor, written 1797 that mentions an **Uncle Adam and Grandfather**.

"I have heard my father tell how **GRANDFATHER AND UNCLE ADAM** came to this part of Carolina, about their killing buffalo and deer for their meat, about their buying grants of land from the Council (Royal Land Grants), and how later on the Earl of Granville persuaded the King to give him the land, and how he demanded them to pay him rent, and threatened to take their homes from them, and the Governor, the hated William Tryon (Note: He was British Colonial Governor in America (appointed 1764) sent an army to make them pay rent. Father and hundreds of other Regulators surrounded General Waddell, around 1766), and he didn't make them pay it. But that was all before my day." (Provided by Gen Soc of Cape Girardeau, MO. Permission was given by Mrs. Alice Johnson of Fredericktown, MO to use her records. Mrs. Johnson is the great, great, granddaughter of Eleanor McNeely McPherson).

The tradition and Eleanor's letter seem to indicate an earlier arrival of McNeely's than 1765 but no records of confirmation have been found. These documents indicate that Adam and Grandfather were the first McNeely's into this area from Pennsylvania.

The following abstract was found listing an Adam McNeely in Bucks County: "*John McCaufeld, Irish servant, tailor by trade, age c. 18, runaway from Adam McNelly, of Tinneum Twp., Bucks Co. (4 April 1751), (Page 122, Abstracts from The Pennsylvania Gazette, 1748-1755 by Kenneth Scott and Janet R. Clarke, Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc. Baltimore 1977).* An INDENTURED SERVANT was one who was voluntarily or involuntarily committed to working for someone for a fixed number of years ...usually 4 to 7...in exchange for passage to America, or some other financial advantage. As the lowest person on the totem pole, an indentured servant had few, if any rights, but people without skills or money accepted this position in order to immigrate. After the period of work was over, the servant usually became a freeman. I am assuming McCaufeld was an indentured servant, however the article is used to show an Adam McNelly in Tinicum. We also have McNeely's by the name of Adam in Lancaster County, PA. The Lancaster Adams are not the North Carolina Adam but there is good possibility they are associated. Adam's will states "...I will that what money I have owed to me in PENNSYLVANIA...". His will also shows land where Humphrey Cunningham lived in Rowan County, North Carolina. Early landowners Rowan County list Cunningham owning Granville land in 1759. Eleanor's father Archibald and Robert McNeely II had children baptized in Tinicum Township, Bucks County in 1770. Based on North Carolina association and based on Eleanor's remark of **Grandfather (discussed later)** and **Uncle Adam** we believe the Bucks County Adam to be the Adam who migrated to Rowan County, North Carolina. An association in Bucks County is evident when compiling this information.

Anson County North Carolina was formed from Bladen County in 1750, Rowan and Mecklenburg Counties formed from Anson in 1763 and Iredell was formed from Rowan in 1788. This writer has found no McNeely's in Anson County. However if the tradition of McNeely's is correct they migrated to what was then Anson County but there may be some documents listing them that we have not found.

Adam McNeely was one of the first and oldest McNeely's to settle in Rowan County, North Carolina. He may have arrived prior to 1763 but we have found no documentation of support. Land documents show he had land in Rowan County in 1765. The Granville district of North Carolina was from 1748 until 1763, there are no McNeely's recorded in the Granville Land Grants. Eleanor was the daughter of Archibald McNeely Sr. who evidently is the son of the mentioned Grandfather. We believe Adam and Grandfather to be brothers hence Eleanor would be great niece of Adam. Adam's will was recorded in book A page 131 the abstract: "*Adam McNeely, 9 Dec. 1766, probate April 1767. Wife Margaret to be maintained by 3 sons. Son Thomas to have 296 acres of home place where Humphrey Cunningham formerly lived. Underage sons David and Adam to have 296 acres, half of the home plantation, with David to have the part adj. Thomas Johnston. Daughters: Sarah, Rebecca, Ann, Jane Margaret, each of whom is to have 25 pounds when she comes of age. Exrs: wife Margaret, son Thomas, Alexander McCorkle, and Samuel Young (Young associated with Brawley/Brady of Lancaster County who migrated to Rowan County and associated with David's family), the latter two of which are inspectors and guardians. Wit: James Patterson, David Stewart, Robert Caldwell.*" He mentions money due him from PA. Maurice has copy of will. The will reveals that David and Adam were under legal age to own property hence they would be under 21 years of age making them born after 1745. David has a will recorded in book A page 236 Rowan County, NC. Abstract: "*David McNeely. 23 Oct. 1776, probate 1777. Mother, Margaret, to have land on Withrows Creek. Bros: Adam, Thomas. Sisters: Jean, Rebecca, Ann Margaret. Executors George (Sarah's husband) Marshal, Margaret. Witnesses George Marshall, Sarah Marshall (sister). He mentions Samuel Young, also a 275 acre plantation allotted him by his father's will, the land adj. Thos. Johnston. James Brandon and Sarah Marshall proved the will 1 Apr. 1777.*"

JONATHAN (JOHN) McNEELY (*Immigrant and first generation McNeely to North Carolina*)

The History of Bucks County by W.W.H. Davis has Jonathan (John) McNeely settling farther North in Bucks County, Pennsylvania in Allen Township on Allen land. "*Allen Township, Bucks County, PA. The Scotch-Irish settlers in Allen moved in the organization of a township in 1746. At the June term "the inhabitants living on the west branch of the Delaware" petitioned the court to fix the boundary of a township. The pioneers of the Lehigh who petitioned for the township were: Jonathan McNeely, James McAlexander (Alexander mm), Joseph Kerr, Jonathan Kerr, David Kerr, James Kerr, Thomas Thompson, Thomas Armstrong, William Craig, James Craig, Thomas Craig, William Craig and others.*" (THE HISTORY OF BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, CHAPTER XXXVII, SMITHFIELD; ALLEN; MOUNT BETHEL; MOORE; EASTON; 1746 TO 1750 from the discovery of the Delaware to the present time by W. W. H. Davis, A.M., 1876 and 1905* editions. CHAPTER VII (Vol. II), 1905 ed..... 1746 TO 1750) The History of Bedminster, Bucks County, Pennsylvania states: "Active in the Deep Run Presbyterian Church in early time was **ROBERT McNEELY**. He settled on 153 acres of land north of church site. His brother JOHN McNEELY settled above him on 190 acres of land...both brothers are on Allen land. They probably settled here AFTER 1741. (Early Families, page 37, History of Bedminster, Bucks County, PA, fourth printing, September 1999, by Bedminster Historical Society, Pauline Cassel, 1976). The Kerr name was later listed interchangeably with Carr. Carr was associated with the Hart family John McNeely married Eleanor Hart.

These are acceptable histories of Bucks County based on official documents compiled and written by qualified historians of that County. Hence we accept them as evidence that John and Robert McNeely were immigrant brothers from Northern Ireland to Bucks County, Pennsylvania. Although descendants of Robert are found later in Bedminster Township of Bucks County, we have found no further documents on Jonathan (John). This seems to indicate that Jonathan (John) must have left Pennsylvania. According to the mentioned history Robert settled on 153 acres, John settled on 190 acres North of Robert both on Allen land. Later we have Robert on 330 acres with no mention of John, this leads us to believe that Robert may have assumed control of John's land (*PA Archives Third Series Vol. 13 page 93*). The accumulative total of Robert and John's mentioned land is 343 and later Robert had 330 hence I believe that Robert took possession of land John first settled. Robert McNeely Junior mentions in his will "... the tea table which I bought at JOHN McNEELY'S vendue (public sale)..." This could be either Robert Junior's son John or it could be his Uncle John. Robert Junior's sons are on the militia list of Bedminster mentioned later, they are not found on the tax list indicating they were in their father's household, hence it is doubtful they would have public sale prior to leaving Bucks County. We believe Jonathan (John) Senior had a sale and migrated to North Carolina. That Robert Senior purchased the tenant rights (*whatever they were*) to his land and that Robert Junior purchased the mentioned tea table at his sale.

The petition for organization of Allen Township included Jonathan (John) McNeely and surnames of McAlexander (Alexander), Craig, Kerr and Thomas Thompson. Later we find these same surnames and others in Bedminster County, Bucks County, Thomas Craig signed petition of Robinson's tavern application 1763. Then later still we find McNeely's, Thompson, Kerrs (Carrs), Alexanders, Hughes, Kilpatrick, Harts, McGloughlin/McLaughlin and Bells as early landowners in Rowan County, North Carolina. The Rowan County 1768 tax list for South of Salisbury has John McNely and Alexander Thompson 2 taxable indicating in same household. Apparently these families were part of the Bucks County to North Carolina migration. Based on Eleanor's letter Adam and Grandfather were part of these early migrants. Pennsylvania land and tax documents seem to indicate that Robert McNeely remained in Pennsylvania. We do not find Adam and John on any of the militia association list, tax list or land documents in Bucks County. This leads us to believe they have left Pennsylvania.

We know that Adam McNeely and Grandfather were in North Carolina prior to 1765. We think it reasonable to estimate around 1760. The early landowners of Rowan County list Adam and John 1765, Archibald 1772, David 1775, David was on 1768 tax list (*comment later*). Archibald and John (*probably John Junior*) signed a tavern application for Robinson 1763 in Bucks County, PA, "*On the 1763 list of applicants was a Robert Robinson of Bedminster. He desired to open a tavern near the place Charles Jenny operated a tavern. Jenny was now retired and a tavern was very much needed. Also applying for a tavern to fill this opening was Jared Irwin. Robert Robinson's application was approved by the Quarter Session. It was signed by his neighbors as follows: ARCHIBALD McNEELY, JOHN McNEELY, THOMAS CRAIG* (page 27, History of Bedminster, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, Fourth Printing, September 1999 by Bedminster Historical Society, Pauline Cassel, Harry C. Adams, Publisher, 1976). In 1770 Archibald had child baptized in Pennsylvania, Tinicum Presbyterian Church records, also known as Red Hill Presbyterian Church. Robert Junior had son James baptized same year (*source later in this document*). The John signing tavern application may have been John son of Robert Junior or the John appearing on 1765 land purchase, but we believe him to be brother of Archibald. The dates show that Archibald and brother John probably migrated to North Carolina between 1770 and 1772. Archibald's siblings were Isaac, James, Margaret who married James Hughes and John

McNeely, confirmed by Isaac's will. If Jonathan (John) is grandfather then according to Eleanor's statement and Isaac's will listed below, these would be his children.

Page 205 Will book A or B Rowan County, NC May Court 1775. "In the name of God Amen. This twenty Eight day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy four, I ISAAC McNEELEY of Rowan County in the province of North Carolina being at the present sick and verie weake of body but of sound and disposing mind and memory Thanks be given to God therfore calling into mind the mortality of my body and that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament. That is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend soul to almighty God gate it and for my body I recommiend it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner at the discretion of my Executor, nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again reunited to my soul by the might power of God and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life; I do give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and forever.

FIRST: It is my will and I do order that all and singular my just debts and funeral charges be paid and satisfied.

SECONDLY: I give and bequeth unto my well beloved brother **ARCHEBELL McNEELEY** the sum of Thirteen pounds four Shillings.

THIRDLY: I give and bequeat unto my well beloved (brother mfm) **JAMES McNEELEY** the sum of thirteen pounds four Shillings.

FOURTHLY: I give and bequeath unto my will beloved brother in law **JAMES HUGHES** (James married **Margaret McNeely** in PA mfm) the sum of thirteen pounds fower Shillings and likewise my blue suit of Cloths and New Buckskin Britches.

5THLY: I give and bequeath unto my well beloved brother **JOHN McNEELEY** my Stout Coak(sp?).

6THLY: It is my will and I do order that my Carpenter and joiner tools be sold and the money thence arising be equally divided amongst my three **BROTHERS VIZ. ARCHD McNEELEY, JAMES McNEELEY AND JAMES HUGHES AND**

LASTLY: I do ordain and appoint my Trusty Brother **JOHN McKNEELEY** and **ARCHEBELL McNEELEY** to be my Executors of this my last will and testament and I do hereby disalow, revoke and disannull all and every other forever testament wills legacies and executors in any ways before this time. Named willed and bequeathed ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament. In witness, whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and years aforesaid. Signed sealed published pronounced and declared by the said **ISAAC McNEELEY** as his last Will and Testament in the presents of us the subscribers viz. **Thomas (his mark) Bell, Thomas Thompson. s/ISAAC McNEELY.**

Eleanor McNeely daughter of Archibald McNeely Senior states "...Uncle Adam and Grandfather...", indicating they were brothers, uncle being old/great uncle. This information provides us some firm generation guidance. Adam and Grandfather first generation McNeely's to this area of North Carolina; Archibald, his siblings and David second generation to North Carolina, all arriving prior to the Revolutionary War. It is possible that first generation Adam, Robert and John migrated during this time frame, that Robert went back to Pennsylvania as tradition states, only he went back prior to revolutionary war not after. Tradition normally contains truth, the generations and time element gets confused during the years. We have established Adam, Robert and John as first generation McNeely's. It is probable that the **Grandfather mentioned by Eleanor is the Jonathan (John)** mentioned in early Bucks County history and the same guy who signed the petition for Allen Township in Bucks County. We find the same surnames in Rowan County, North Carolina early landholders map that are listed on the petition of Allen Township. This indicates these families including John and Adam McNeely migrated to Rowan County, NC. Adam and Grandfather (*Eleanor's letter*) are probable brothers, we believe grandfather is John, History of Bucks County links Robert and John as brothers hence Adam, Jonathan (John) and Robert are immigrant brothers. Anson County, North Carolina was formed from Bladen in 1750. No McNeely records found in in Anson County. Rowan and Mecklenburg Counties were formed from Anson in 1763. Iredell formed in 1788 from Rowan. McNeely records found in Rowan, Mecklenburg and Iredell. The McNeely arrival prior to 1760 lacks any verifiable support. However the absence of records make it difficult to determine the exact year Adam and Grandfather (*Maurice thinks John*) arrived in North Carolina. A paragraph in Eleanor's letter assists us in making an approximate arrival date. Eleanor writes (*italics*), "...Everything here has changed so much since I was born. I was born in this house but it was then in the province of North Carolina, America...." Eleanor was born in 1772, so we know Archibald arrived prior to this date. Also he had enough time to build a house prior to her birth or he lived in house built by his father. Archibald signed petition in PA in 1763. He had child baptized in Pennsylvania July 1770, child unnamed (*Bucks County Births page 194, John T. Humphrey, Humphrey Pub, Washington, DC*). Archibald arrived between July 1770 and December 1772 when Eleanor was born (more on Archibald later). "*I have heard my father(Archibald) tell how Grandfather and Uncle Adam came to this part of Carolina...about their buying grants of land from the Council...*"

From History of Land in North Carolina we find that between 1663-1729 North Carolina was under the control of the Lords Proprietors and their descendants. They commissioned colonial officials and authorized the governor and his council to grant lands in the name of the Lords Proprietor. In 1729, seven of the Lords Proprietors sold their interests in North Carolina to the Crown and North Carolina became a royal colony. The eighth proprietor, LORD GRANVILLE, retained economic interest and continued granting land in the northern half of North Carolina. All political functions were under the supervision of the Crown until 1775. The term "precinct" as a geographical unit ceased to exist after 1739. These areas became known as "counties". Northeastern North Carolina became the domain of the Earl of Granville. He sent out land agents who sold or leased land to settlers in payment of an initial fee and an annual quitrent. (The quitrent is really more of a tax than a rent—owners of land in England were accustomed to the payment of an annual quitrent to the Crown in order to keep the land they already owned.). These arrangements were formalized by written records, and are referred to as Lord Granville Grants. Since he basically owned all of the land, the only way of legally establishing ownership was to purchase a grant from his agents. At the time of the revolution (or perhaps before), the remaining ungranted land became the domain of the Colony and/or the State, and subsequent claims for ownerless land were made through those political bodies.
(Statelibrary.dcr.state.nc.us/NC/HISTORY/HISTORY).

"...and how he (Lord Granville) persuaded the King to give him the land, (according to historical information he owned it) and how he demanded them to pay him rent, and threatened to take their homes from them, and the Governor, the hated William Tyron (appointed as British Colonial Governor in America 1764) sent an army to make them pay rent. Father and hundreds of other Regulators (regulators formed about 1765, Archibald was in PA in 1770) surrounded General Waddell, and he didn't make them pay it. But that was all before my day." Although there are some questionable areas concerning historical facts in Eleanor's letter it gives us a lot of valuable information. It does show that Grandfather (we believe old John) and Adam arrived in North Carolina between 1739 and 1764. Tradition has Robert and John arriving around 1750. This would be during proprietary land ownership.

"Because Rowan County lay within the Granville Proprietary and because the Granville Land Office snapped shut in 1763 and never reopened, there was no way for a person to gain title to vacant land for the fifteen year period until the State Land Office opened in 1778. Because many of the settlers who flooded into the area during the period could not gain title to land, their names do not appear in the deed records and cannot readily be confirmed by other records...they are close to impossible to identify except through...tax lists, which in the pre-Revolutionary period defined only the taxable persons (known as polls), and not by acreage." (Jo White Linn, PO Box 1948, Salisbury, NC 28145, November 1995, Rowan County Tax list).

The Granville Grant list has no McNeely's listed. The 1759 tax lists, the petition to the King or the Militia lists of Rowan County, NC compiled by Jo White Linn has no McNeely's listed. The earliest documents found listing McNeely's are land transactions of John and Adam McNeely in 1765 who purchased land from individuals and the 1768 tax list of Matthew Locke has John McNely and David McNely. Hence we have support for an arrival date by 1765 for Adam, John and David.

A posting on Genforum by Talma Klaassen states that Elinor Hart married John McNeely. Since the marriage records of Pennsylvania are almost non-existent we have found no absolute confirmation of this marriage. However circumstantial material gives this validity. Talma's message and the supporting material follows:

"Bowman, Hart, Mathers, McGlaughlin, McNeely. William Bowman born 1732 Bucks Co PA? Married Elizabeth HART 23 March 1756 in Bucks County PA. Elizabeth may have been daughter of SAMUEL HART born Ulster who died in 1750 Bedminster Township Bucks County, PA (will proved 20 April 1750). Elizabeth's siblings may have come to Rowan County. Mary Hart married James McGlaughlin, died 1779 Rowan County. Jean Hart married Samuel Mathers, Elinore Hart married JOHN McNEELY. Were there other Hart brothers who came to Rowan County. Talma Klaassen tbk@wichita.infi.net.

This message posted in 2002. No success in making contact with Talma as of February 2005. However documents have been found that give overwhelming support to listed marriages of the Hart women. Mary's marriage to James McGlaughlin/McLaughlin and Jean Hart's marriage to Samuel Mathers confirmed by Samuel's will. A Record of The Hart Family of Philadelphia by Thomas Hart states: "Jean/Jane who married Samuel Mathers and removed to North Carolina". William Bowman marriage to Elizabeth Hart supported by the naming of their children and association in North Carolina with McLaughlin's and McNeely's. Elinor's marriage to John McNeely supported by same associations. We have not located Mathers in North Carolina. James McGlaughlin had a will written 4 September 1779, probated in Rowan County in 1779. Brother-in-law William Hart and Archibald McNeely were executors with Thomas Thompson and John McNeely as witnesses. Samuel Hart and his family were residences of Plumstead Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania. Plumstead adjoining township to Bedminster and Tinicum. Samuel Hart and family were strict Presbyterians., early McNeely's were strict Presbyterians. Samuel Hart who died 1750 is buried in Deep Run Cemetery same cemetery as Robert McNeely and family. We assume Elizabeth Hart who died

three months after her husband also buried in Deep Run, many illegible markers. "Travel was difficult, visits between neighbors and relations were frequent. Church was almost a family reunion, a great effort to attend made by all" (page 8 *Early Families*, page 37, *History of Bedminster, Bucks County, PA*, fourth printing, September 1999, by *Bedminster Historical Society, Pauline Cassel*, 1976). This material establishes time period, religious and location association of the McNeely and Hart family in Bucks County confirming their association even though marriage and land records are missing. The *Early Landowners of Rowan County, North Carolina* by Klutz shows this association continued in Rowan County.

Available records show the North Carolina McNeely's from Pennsylvania migrating during three time periods. First 1750-1765; second increment 1770 to 1774; third after Revolutionary War. The records also show four family branches, the progenitors being Adam McNeely, Jonathan (John) McNeely, Robert McNeely and David McNeely. Adam McNeely had a will and we have been able to confirm his family. Robert Senior and Jonathan have no wills hence their families must be determined by other means. David had a will so we know his descendants but not his ancestor. The naming of his children indicates a close affiliation with Adam. We believe him to have migrated from Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. Lancaster County McNeely research is in initial stage by this writer as of February 2005. The following time line has been compiled to assist us in establishing relationships and movement. This compilation is not inclusive of all known material but is sufficient to establish reasonable relationship, association and movement of these families and provide a basis for some deductions.

BUCKS COUNTY, PA.

- 1732-1741 – Robert, Adam and Jonathan (John) McNeely arrive America from Northern Ireland.
Good possibility that George McNeely's family of VA were part of this arrival group.
(Source: Listed previously in this project).
- 1732-1741 – Robert McNeely land in Bedminster per history of Bedminster. (Source: Listed previously in this project).
- 1746 – Jonathan McNeely signs Allen petition, Bucks County. (Source: Listed previously in this project).
- 1750 – Samuel and Elizabeth Hart die in Plumstead, Bucks County, PA. Buried Deep Run. (Source: *A Record of the Hart Family of Philadelphia*, by Thomas Hart, Edited Privately for the Family, Philadelphia, PA 1920. *Will of Samuel and Elizabeth Hart, Bucks County, PA. Tombstone Inscriptions Deep Run cemetery, Bucks County, PA.*)
- 1751 – Adam McNeely may have been in Tinicum, Bucks County. (Source: "John McCaufeld, Irish servant, tailor by trade, age c. 18, runaway from Adam McNelly, of Tinnecum Twp., Bucks Co. (4 April 1751), (Page 122, Abstracts from The Pennsylvania Gazette, 1748-1755 by Kenneth Scott and Janet R. Clarke, Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc. Baltimore 1977
- 1758 – John Junior and Elinor marry in PA. (Son of Jonathan Mc) (Source: Marriage date speculated based on date of birth of John Junior. Talma Klaassen message listed previously).
- 1760 – Margaret marries James Hughes PA. (Dau of Jonathan Mc) (Source: PA marriages prior to 1790 by John Linn and William H. Egle, Gen. Pub. Co. 1979)
- 1763 or 64 – Archibald married. (Son of Jonathan Mc). (Source: Date of marriage based date of birth first child).
- 1763 – Archibald, John and Thomas Craig sign application of Robinson for Tavern, Bucks County, PA. Thomas Craig also signed Allen Township petition with Jonathan McNeely. (Source: Page 27, *History of Bedminster, Bucks County, PA*, *Bedminster Historical Society, Pauline Cassel*).
- 1770 – January 18, 1770 Robert McNeely had son James baptized mother's name not given. July 1, 1770 Archibald had child baptized, name not given, mother's name not given. (Taken from *Records of Tinimum Presbyterian also known as Red Hill Presbyterian Church. Baptismal register begins 1766. Published in Pennsylvania Births Bucks County, 1682-1800, John T. Humphrey, Humphrey Publications Washington, D. C. 1993*).

FIRST INCREMENT TO NC FROM PA.

- 1760-1764 – Adam and family (Possible fm Lancaster), John Senior & David McNeely (Possibly fm Lancaster, based on association with Braly/Brawley). (Source: Speculation based on dates of land ownership).
- 1765 – John and Adam purchased Rowan County land. . They undoubtedly would have been on the land prior to purchase date listed, the resistance to the regulators mentioned by Eleanor was in 1766, so we have a correlation. Adam and John purchasing land in 1765 indicates a good probability of this John being first generation John. (Source: *Early Landowners of Rowan County North Carolina* by James W. Klutzz, P.E., 106 Chancellors Ridge Ctl, Cary, NC 27513, Sheet No. 2 of 6 plus abstracts by Klutzz).
- 1768 – David (Possibly Lancaster) on Rowan County Tax list. (Source: Tax list Rowan County, North Carolina).
- 1768 – William Thompson purchased land. (Source: *ibid Klutzz*).

SECOND INCREMENT TO NC FROM PA. (*Migrated prior to Rev. War, not found on associators list of PA.*)

- 1772 – Archibald Senior purchased Rowan County land. (*Source: ibid Klutzz*)
- 1775 – Isaac dies. (*Source: Isaac's will listed previously in this project*).
- 1775 – William Bowman NC land. (Hart) Married Elizabeth Hart sister of Elinor. William Bowman purchased land 1775 and James McLaughlin purchased adjoining land to William in 1799. (*Source: Bible Record of Alexander McNeely, submitted to Central Illinois Genealogy Quarterly Volume XXV:1 page 10 by Mary Ellen Karl, Winter 1989*)
- 1779, 9:54, State Grant #13 to David McNeely 182 A on both sides Catheys Mill Crk adj Archd McNeely, Andrew Kerr, John McNeely, Robert Moore's house and Thomas Bell, @ 50 sh the 100 A. (*Abstracts of the Deeds of Rowan County, NC Vols 1-10, Jo White Linn Box 1948, Salisbury, NC 1983*)
- 1779 – James Hughes purchased Rowan Count land. (Margaret McNeely). (*Source: ibid Klutzz*).
- 1779 – James McLaughlin land NC. Joins John. (Hart) John McNeely purchased land in 1765 and 1793; James McLaughlin purchased adjoining land to John in 1779. (*Source: Land, ibid Klutzz; McLaughlin as husband of Mary Hart from Hart book ibid*)
- 1779 – William and James Hart NC Land. William Hart and Samuel Hart, (*William brother of Eleanor Hart et al*) Samuel probable son of James Hart brother of Elinor, Mary, Elizabeth and Jean) purchased land in 1779. (*Source: Wm and Samuel sons of James from Hart book by Thomas Hart, . Land from Klutzz ibid*). "Professor Edward Hart of Easton, PA, writes, "My mother says, William Hart, the father of Colonel Joseph Hart, married and moved to North Carolina, and I have been told, had four sons". It is believed that the Harts of Missouri were their descendants." (*Chapter IV, page 245, 'A Record of the Hart Family of Philadelphia, by Thomas Hart, edited privately for the family 1920*).
- 1780 – James Stewart purchases NC Land. (*Source: ibid Klutzz. Stewart on Allen petition mentioned earlier in this project*).
- 1780 – Thomas Bell land. John's daughter Elinor married James Bell. (*Source: John McNeely's will and Rowan County marriages 1753-1868 by Brent H. Holcomb, Gen. Pub. Co. 1981*).
- 1782 – First tax list of Bedminster, incomplete list. (*Source: History of Bucks, mentioned previously in project*).
- 1793 – John McNeely purchases land. (Hart) (*Source: ibid Klutzz*).

The mentioned property is all within an approximate four miles circumference and in the Thyatira Church area with the exception of Adam's land, it is approximately eight miles from center of this circumference. There are other documents containing inter-action between these families such as witnessing wills and land documents, acting as executors of estates etc. that may be consulted for additional information.

Based on the preceding material we make the following deductions. Jonathan (John) McNeely is immigrant John, brother of Robert and Adam. They migrated from Northern Ireland to Bucks County, Pennsylvania around 1740. There is an association with the Lancaster County, Pennsylvania McNeely's, David is part of this association. Adam, Jonathan (John), Robert and David are the progenitors of the Rowan, Iredell and Mecklenburg McNeely's. John McNeely son of Jonathan (John) married Elinor Hart. This marriage is supported by Hart family location and association and is further supported by the fact that John had daughter named Elinor and a son named Samuel, Samuel Hart was Elinor's father. The dates of land ownership assist us in determining migration groups. It appears that Adam's family migrated with him in what we have termed the first increment, we do not know the dates of birth of his children, we know Adam Sr. died in 1766. Jonathan (John I) migrated same increment. His family with him except John Junior, Archibald and Margaret. They had married by this time and remained in PA for a short period. The time line shows Archibald and John signing petition in Bucks County, PA in 1763 with Archibald having a child baptized at Tinicum in 1770. Hence it is doubtful either of them came with first increment. We believe John Jr., Archibald, James and Margaret (McNeely) Hughes (siblings), Elinor's sisters families and possibly her nephew Samuel migrated prior to the Revolutionary war, probably around 1772. They are not listed on the 1775 associate list of Bedminster Township, Bucks County, PA. An interesting tidbit of Hart family lore, some of the children went south for the purpose of horse breeding. They have found no support for this lore but later some of John McNeely's family is involved in horse-trading in North Carolina and South Missouri.

By process of elimination and examination of available documents it appears that Jonathan (John) McNeely of Bucks County, PA is immigrant John who migrated to North Carolina around 1760. It also supports him as being the John who appears as landowner in 1765 in Rowan County, North Carolina along with Adam McNeely landowner same year. The material has also provided us with sufficient support for Jonathan (John) to be the grandfather mentioned by Eleanor. The family association in Rowan County provides reasonable support for him to be the father of the siblings mentioned in Isaac's will, John, Archibald, Isaac, James and Margaret.

Paris, France there was a man who made pictures on a copper plate. I wonder if you will ever have your picture made? There are so many new things in the world now. The world has changed so much in the past twenty-five years, what will it be in the next hundred. I wonder if they will ever learn to write by machinery?

Mother showed me her old Bible this morning, her mother bought it when she was a girl, it is the finest book I have ever seen, it was printed in Edinburgh in 1740, 1741, and 1742, as it is printed MDCCXL MDCCXLI and MDCCXLII. It has the Psalms of David in it, so that if every one had one they could sing with lining. (Note: to read out a hymn, a line or two at a time for repetition in singing). I asked Mother to give it to me, and she said I could have it when she died.

Well, there is to be a new world here on this earth some say, and we all believe that those who love Jesus go to a new world when they die, where sickness and death never come, if the Lord will, I want to live in this world fifty more years. If I do I am sure I will see many strange things in this world. I may go away to the West, even as far as the great river (Mississippi) possibly over it. But I do not want to go out of the United States, the country in which I now live.

With best wishes I close this letter, wishing you a long and happy life, and many wonderful birthdays. s/Your Loving Great Grand Mother Eleanor McNeely. (Note from writer: Eleanor McNeely McPherson almost got her wish for she lived forty-nine years, one month and fifteen days after she wrote the letter. And incredible as it may seem, she had a granddaughter born exactly one hundred years and one day after the date of the letter, this granddaughter was Verlee McPherson, daughter of Samuel Archibald McPherson, a Presbyterian minister who lived many years and preached in Waxahachie, Texas. I wonder what Eleanor would have thought of our dissensions and violence over school busing, our machines such as typewriters, computers, etc., and being able to take colored pictures in seconds by the flick of a switch. It would be beyond her imagination that she would be able to see people walking and talking on the other side of the world by simply turning a dial. She would not believe that people travel by flying through the air and that men had walked on the moon. Truly the world has changed greatly in less than two hundred years since Eleanor's time."

Several North Carolina families migrated to Cape Girardeau County in Southeast Missouri. Many if not all of them are descendants of Archibald McNeely. Land, probate and court actions have identified the earliest MO families as: Samuel McNeely who we believe to be son of Archibald; Josiah McNeely who is the son of John Saddler; John M McNeely son of John Saddler; Zenas C. McNeely son of John Saddler; William B. McNeely whose wife Elizabeth was sister of John Saddler; Jane Clementine McNeely daughter of John Saddler who married Elam Adams; one of the Bell families associated with the McNeely's. Shortly after we find Ezekial McNeely son of Adam McNeely, grandson of David of Rowan County; William B was son of Samuel who was son of John Jr of Rowan County; John R. McNeely parentage uncertain but is of the descendancy of David of Rowan County, hence associated with Ezekial; Eleanor McNeely daughter of Archibald who married Robert McPherson;. There may have been some later arrivals but most of the Southeast Missouri McNeely's are descendants of these families. Possibly the John Saddler who many list as son of John Jr is the son of Robert son of Archibald. This is speculation on my part with no document support.

DAVID McNEELY

(Rowan County, NC)

David arrived Rowan County, North Carolina about the same time as Archibald. We assume he migrated from Pennsylvania. He owned land adjacent to Archibald and John Sr in the 1770's. The naming of his children indicate a relation with an Adam, perhaps of Lancaster County, PA. We have found no documentation prior to North Carolina although a Matthew of Bucks County had a son named David. David's will recorded in Book E page 77 of Rowan County probated 1805. Abstract as listed by Linn: E:77 David McNeely, 14 May 1801, probated 1805. Sons Adam, John and Timothy each to have 2 pounds, Timothy being under age. Son James to have home plantation. 2 pounds each to daughters Margaret and Agnes. Daughter Jean to have personalty incl. red chest and all the pewter and 12 pounds. executors: son-in-law John McNeely, son James. Wit: James Bell, Samuel McNeely. (Abstracts of Wills, Rowan County, NC Jo White Linn)

Agnes married William Kilpatrick son of John and Elizabeth (McKnight) Kilpatrick. James McNeely was the bondsman.

JAMES McNEELY

(Son of David)

David's son James married Elizabeth Kilpatrick sister of William in Rowan County, NC. James and Elizabeth had Ruel, John R. and James Kelsey. John R. migrated to Cape Girardeau, Missouri around 1830 about the same time as William B., Samuel (descendant of Archibald McNeely) and Josiah McNeely. There are many descendants of these families in Southeast Missouri. One of John R's sons was George W. who had son John T. The following article and obituary was printed in the local newspaper: Jackson, May 17 -- *Funeral services for John T. McNeely, 81 years old, who died at his home at Leemon Thursday night, will be conducted at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon at Old Applecreek.* From the Ash-Book Journal: "John T. McNeely, 81 of Leemon Dies. John T. McNeely, one of the most respected and esteemed citizens of this county, died at his home at Leemon last Wednesday night of paralysis from which he had suffered for several years. He attended church the previous Sunday and was taken seriously ill soon thereafter. Mr. McNeely was born Nov. 3, 1859 in the same community in which he died. He was the son of George W. McNeely, his grandfather being John R. McNeely, a native of North Carolina who moved to this county in 1830. On Dec. 12, 1889 he united in marriage with Miss Jennie Stevenson of Shawneetown, who survives. He followed farming all of his active life. The will of John T. McNeely, who died at his home at Leemon Saturday, was filed for probate today. It was witnessed by A.M. Sander and John G. Putz, and provides that the entire estate go to the testator widow, Mrs. Jennie McNeely. A peculiar circumstance came to light during the filing of the will. John T. McNeely died at the age of 81 years, 6 months, and 12 days. His father George W. McNeely, lived to be exactly the same age, 81 years, 6 months, and 12 days. He died Aug. 19, 1917." "The will of John T. McNeely, who died at his home at Leemon Saturday, was filed for probate today. It was witnessed by A.M. Sander and John G. Putz, and provides that the entire estate go to the testator widow, Mrs. Jennie McNeely. A peculiar circumstance came to light during the filing of the will. John T. McNeely died at the age of 81 years, 6 months, and 12 days. His father George W. McNeely, lived to be exactly the same age, 81 years, 6 months, and 12 days. He died Aug. 19, 1917." (From Goodspeed's history of Southeast Missouri, BNL Library Service PO box 1506 Harry S. Truman Station, Independence, Missouri 64055, Reprint 1873 biographical appendix page 781) GEORGE W. McNEELY sketch. "George W. McNeely...is the son of John R. McNeely, a native of North Carolina. The latter (John R.) was reared in his native State, and was married there to Mary Shuford, who was also a native of North Carolina, born in 1807. After their marriage they immigrated to Missouri, and settled in Cape Girardeau County in 1833. There they entered land and improved a farm, upon which Mrs. McNeely still resides. Although Mr. McNeely was a cooper by trade he managed his farm during his life, and died there about 1843. They were the parents of six children, four of whom are living. One son, Archibald, resides in California. The two other sons and the daughter live in Cape Girardeau County.

James Kelsey son of James remained in Rowan/Iredell County, North Carolina and has descendants in that area. Article 398 by Anne M. Chase from The Heritage of Iredell County 1980 published by the Genealogical Society of Iredell County, Statesville, North Carolina. Excerpt: "Tradition holds that Robert McNeely from County Tyrone, Ireland came to Bucks County, PA in 1720. He served as an elder in the Presbyterian Church built in Deep Run, Bedminister Township, Pennsylvania in 1732 and is buried there with his wife, Rebecca. Two sons, John and Robert, went to North Carolina about 1750. The McNeely family has made research more difficult by using the same first names again and again and I have not been able to make a connection with these two sons. I believe that the David McNeely whose will was probated in 1805 in Rowan County was a direct ancestor. His sons were listed as Adam, James, John and Timothy and his daughters were Margaret, Agnes and Jean. This James is probably the James who married Elizabeth Kilpatrick Feb. 25, 1793, and whose estate was divided between John R. Ruel, and James Kelsey McNeely in Rowan County January 4, 1827. Mary McNeely, the daughter of Cam McNeely and granddaughter of James Kelsey McNeely, believes that James was an uncle and that the father of James Kelsey was Cooper John McNeely. "Miss Mary" taught school in Mooresville for many years and is still a resident. Her research indicates that Cooper John went to Missouri and an article in the "Mooresville Tribune" of 1937 states that my grandfather, John Thomas McNeely, visited relatives in Missouri near Jackson and Girardeau." Note from Maurice: Elizabeth is in household

of Ruel on the 1850 Rowan County Census. Rowan County Marriage records list Elizabeth Kilpatrick wedding James McNeely, hence Anne M. Chase is probably correct.

ADAM McNEELY

(Son of David)

Adam married Lattice Kilpatrick daughter of John and Elizabeth McKnight Kilpatrick. Sister of William and Elizabeth. Adam had the following will:

In the name of God amen. I ADAM McNEELY of the County of Iredell and Sate of North Carolina being in perfect health of body and mind do make this and publish this my last will and testament in the manner following. I give and bequeath unto LATTICE my wife her living on the plantation which I now live and I give her my Negro Fanny _____ her horse and saddle and all the household and kitchen furniture to be divided amongst my children as she may think proper and give her the use of all my Negro during her life and then to be divided as follows; to my SON DAVID I give and devise all that part of land on which he now lives and third of my Negro boy Perry at the death of his mother. To my SON JOHN I give and devise all that part or parcel of land on which he now lives and the third of my Negro Perry at the death of his mother. To my SON JAMES I give and devise all that part or parcel of land on which he now lives and the third part of my Negro boy Perry at the death of his mother, to be valued by my three Sons above mentioned and one of them to keep him and not put him out of the family. To my SON ZEKIEL (Ezekial mm) I give and devise my plantation known by Neils land joining my Son JAMES and his horse and Saddle and bridle two cows and his share of the plows and plow gears. I give him my black girl Mriah and Hiram my black boy at the death of his mother, to my SON HEZEKIAH I give and bequeath the plantation on which he now lives _____ waggon and gears and cloth his share of the plows and plow gears with all the horses and cattle on the place and I give him my black woman Sol and my boy Sam by him paying my grandson ADAM ALBERT ten dollars he comes of age. My Smith tools to be left where they are for the use of all my children. I do hereby appoint my two sons DAVID AND JOHN McNEELY to be my executors of this my last will and testament revoking all former wills and testaments. I witness whereof I have hereunto set my had and seal this fourth day of December in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and twenty Eight. Signed Sealed published and delivered to be my last will and signed in the presence of us s/David Kilpatrick, Jabes(SP?) N. Kilpatrick Jurat. s/Adam McNeely seal. Book 2 page 85 Iredell County, NC. Lattice also had a will: In the name of God amen. The fourteenth day of July one thousand eight hundred and forty one. I Lattice McNeely of Iredell County in the State of North Carolina in health sound in mind and memory do make this my Last Will and Testament in the following manner. I GAVE and bequeath to my son DAVID ten Dollars and his daughter LATTICE one bed and furniture. I GIVE and bequeath to my Son JOHN my Girl Fanny and one hundred Dollars with the expectation of him to take care of _____ and my property and to his Daughter Nancy my bed and furniture and my Small Cornwood and TO POLLY his daughter my tin trunk. I GIVE and bequeath to my son JAMES ten Dollars and his Daughter LATTICE one bed and furniture. I GIVE and bequeath to my son EZEKIAL ten Dollars. I GIVE and bequeath to my son HEZEKIAH ten Dollars and his Daughter NANCY one bed and furniture and my large Commode. The remainder of my property to be equally divided between my Children David, John James, Ezekial and Hezekiah. I ordain and appoint my son JOHN Executor of this my last will and testament, hereby revoking and discharging all other wills and testaments. Signed Sealed the day before mentioned. s/Lattice (her mark) McNeely seal. Test. Wm Kilpatrick, L.N. Kilpatrick, David Kilpatrick Jurat. (Book 3, page 10 Iredell County, Wills). Adam's wife Lattice also had a will: In the name of God amen. The fourteenth day of July one thousand eight hundred and forty one. I Lattice McNeely of Iredell County in the State of North Carolina in health sound in mind and memory do make this my Last Will and Testament in the following manner. I GAVE and bequeath to my son DAVID ten Dollars and his daughter LATTICE one bed and furniture. I GIVE and bequeath to my Son JOHN my Girl Fanny and one hundred Dollars with the expectation of him to take care of _____ and my property and to his Daughter Nancy my bed and furniture and my Small Cornwood and TO POLLY his daughter my tin trunk. I GIVE and bequeath to my son JAMES ten Dollars and his Daughter LATTICE one bed and furniture. I GIVE and bequeath to my son EZEKIAL ten Dollars. I GIVE and bequeath to my son HEZEKIAH ten Dollars and his Daughter NANCY one bed and furniture and my large Commode. The remainder of my property to be equally divided between my Children David, John James, Ezekial and Hezekiah. I ordain and appoint my son JOHN Executor of this my last will and testament, hereby revoking and

discharging all other wills and testaments. Signed Sealed the day before mentioned. s/Lattice (her mark) McNeely seal. Test. Wm Kilpatrick, L.N. Kilpatrick, David Kilpatrick Jurat. (Book 3, page 10 Iredell County, Wills).

Children of Adam and Lattice Kilpatrick McNeel yare: Lattice, Nancy, Polly, David, John, James, Ezekial and Hezekiah.

DAVID the son of Adam and Lattice married Elizabeth Creswell daughter of James And Elizabeth (Martin) Creswell. David's will:

In the name of God Amen. I David McNeely of the County of Iredell and state of North Carolina being in perfect health of body and mind do make and publish this my Last Will and Testament. The manner following. I GIVE and bequeath unto ELIZABETH my wife her living of the lands I now own and I give her all the household and Kitchen furniture to be divided among my children as She may think proper with her horse and Saddle and I give her the use of all my Negroes during her life and then to be divided as follows to my SON JAMES EPHRAIM I give my Black boy Lowes/Lewis(mm) at the death of his mother and what is called his meadow. To my daughter JANE I give her or her heirs my black Girl Mary An at the death of her mother and I give all the lands that I have to my son BILLEY and my black woman Lise and my black man Sandy and my black boy Jack and my black boy Hiram at the death of his mother by him living(sp?) to her and I give to my Daughter Lucase my black boy Jo at the death of his mother and I also give to BILLY all my Stock my wagon and Gear and all my farming tools of all sorts also my Shop tools by him paying to my grand sons DAVID ten dollars when he comes of age. I do hereby appoint my son BILLY to be my executor of this my last will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 11 day of January eighteen hundred and fifty one. Signed sealed published and de_____ to be my last will and testament. s/David McNeely seal. In presence of us: James McNeely Jurat (married Hannah Creswell sister of David's wife), James Shepperd Jurat (married Creswell sister of David and James wife). Proven May 1852. (Book 3 page 57, Iredell County, NC).

Elizabeth is listed on 1870 census of Iredell County, NC with Louisa, probably Martha L. L. David and Elizabeth's children: James Ephraim, Jane, William W., Martha L. L.

JOHN son of Adam and Lettice married Margaret unk, possibility Margaret Pool, but questionable, would be very young when married. Children of John McNeely and Margaret are: Nancy, Adam Albert who moved to Cape Girardeau, MO, Camilia, and possible Joseph T.

JAMES son of Adam and Lettice married Hannah Creswell. James will:

I James McNeely of Iredell County and State of North Carolina do make publish and declare this to be my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following: To wit: ITEM 1st I will all my just debts and funeral expenses to be first paid. ITEM 2nd I devise to my wife HANNAH all my household and Kitchen furniture. One Horse, Saddle and Bridle, my Silver Watch, family Carriage, to be divided at her death among my Children as she may think proper and all of my other property both Real and Personal, Money, notes, accounts, and other Evidences of Debt, I will to my Wife Hannah during her natural life. ITEM 3rd I will to my daughters ISABELLA AND ELIZABETH in trust during their natural lives my Lands lying on WITHROW Creek known as the Jones land, to be equally divided between them according to quantity and quality, to go to their use at the death of their mother and at their death to go to their Children and if they, or either of them should die without Children then the said land to go to the Children of the others. ITEM 4th I will to my daughter MARTHA ANN, in trust, One hundred Acres of land known as the Oliphant land, to be hers at the death of her Mother. ITEM 5th I will to my daughter NANCY in trust One hundred and thirty Acres of land to be laid off of the North side of my plantation known as the Patterson land to be to her use at the death of her mother. ITEM 6th I will to my daughter JULIA in trust all the balance of my land to be to her use at the death of her mother. ITEM 7th I will and bequeath to my daughters at the death of their mother all my Negroes to be equally divided between them without selling them to be held in trust by my executors for the use of my said daughters during their lives. ITEM 8th I will to my Executor hereinafter named in trusts for the use of my daughters, all my land according to the interest and meaning of Items 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th. ITEM 9th I will all the balance of my property to be sold at the death of my wife and equally divided between all my children taking into consideration the advancements made to them living in my life time. I hereby appoint my friend John Davidson Executor to carry out the forgoing will according, to the true intent and meaning of the same and to act as Trustee according to the above provisions. In Testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affixing my seal. This 5 the

day of April AD 1853. s/James McNeely seal. s/G.G. Smith, James Shepherd Jurat, Proved August 1853. (Book 3 Page 68 Iredell County, NC)

Children of James and Hannah are: Martha Ann, Nancy, Julia, Isabella and Elizabeth.

EZEKIAL son of Adam and Lettice migrated to Cape Girardeau Missouri around 1829, he married Mary Ann Wilson From Betty Mills genealogy society Cape Girardeau, MO: Ezekial married 1837 Mary Ann Wilson and had poss. 14 children...Note: Ezek. was in Perry County MO 1840-50-60 Censuses before moving back to Cape Gir Co (Perry Co adjoins Cape Gir Co to the north). Following from Cape Girardeau Gen Society as furnished them by Ezekiel's granddaughter, her name was not given.

"Ezekiel McNeely came from Iredell County North Carolina to Missouri in 1829. He had charge of the plantation of Thos. Swan of Perry County, a few miles northwest of Wittenburg, for two or three years, then married Mary Ann, a Daughter of Thos. Wilson of this county, settled on Brazeau Creek, north of where Altenburg now is, lived there a number of years and settled in Cape County near where Shawneetown now stands. In 1865 he, with Addison and Richard Wilson and George Clodfelter, built a woolen mill at Shawneetown in which they manufactured flannels, jeans, blankets, yarns, and other woolen materials. People came here for many miles from this and adjoining counties to exchange their wool for the manufactured products. It was a great boon to a very wide section of country. After some years, Levi Kinder became a partner and later was operated by Torrence Walker and company. This mill was operated until near the close of the century when the machinery was sold. A flouring mill was later put into the building but a few years later it burned.

I have heard Mr. McNeely, who was my grandfather, say that while living in Perry County he had carried eggs, packed in a sack of chaff, on horseback, behind his saddle, to Appleton, a distance of ten miles, for which he received four cents per dozen, dressed pork sold for 2 and half to 3 cents per pound. The price of a days labor was a bushel of wheat and about 1845, wheat sold for 50 to 60 cents per bushel. Many a deer fell to his trusty rifle but he never carried home more than the hide and saddle of a slain stag. His farm in Perry county was principally in Brazeau Creek bottoms. The blackbirds were numerous and it was necessary to destroy their nests which were in the young willows along the creek bank, as they pulled a great amount of the young corn. These nests were destroyed with long poles. Wild hogs were very destructive to the wheat but more so to the slowly maturing corn crop. It was Grandfather practice to shoot them through the body. They would then go to the creek and die and he was not troubled about burning or burying the carcass. Such today no doubt would be reported to the humane society, but we must bear in mind it was the survival of the fittest, and these settlers were claiming from the wilderness a home which they must hold at all hazards. they had to meet the conditions that confronted them in the most practical way, whether it was in line with their desires had little consideration.

Our county seat was not made what it is today by men and women who reposed on flowery beds of ease, but it came at the expense of brain and brawn, the sacrifice of ease and pleasure, the exercise of with and tact, the living of lives whose dreams never came true, for while every life tells the story of an unfinished purpose, their lives, as we look back upon them, were bound by privations and restrictions far more rigid than ours.

My grandfather was the song leader in the church service for many years, always standing before the congregation.

The eldest daughter, Martha, married John W. Knox (my father) and their married life extended through 67 years. His only son Eugene, taught in schools and colleges for many years.

Ezekiel McNeely never failed to have an opinion about questions of right and wrong. He did not hesitate to state it, and when he believed a thing right, while courteous and considerate of others, there was no compromise. he served for many years as Justice of the Peace and was greatly respected for his decisions and the administering of his judgements. he was an especial friend of the German settlers when they began to settle around Altenburg.

At the ripe old age of 84 he passed on, mourned in death as he had been honored in life, and to such as he this generation should bare the head."

As stated by Betty Mills above Ezekial and Mary had a large family. The 1850 census of Cape Girardeau and later census includes the entire family. We know of Martha who married John W. Knox and Thomas Eugene but there were many others.

HEZEKIAH, son of Adam and Lettice, married Mary Brawley. Mary and family are listed on the Iredell census of 1850. The children of Hezekiah and Mary are: Nancy, William Richmond, Ezekial McKissick, John F. and Mary Elizabeth. Nancy died at 21 and is buried in Centre cemetery north of Mooresville North Carolina. Ezekial McKissick married Martha E. Creswell. He served in Co. A 4th North Carolina Infantry and was wounded in the Battle of Seven Pines and discharged at Richmond on December 17, 1862. He was engaged in the mercantile business for many years and was a partner in the firm of Brawley and McNeely in Mooresville. He served his Church as an elder in the Centre Presbyterian Church. He is buried in the Willow Valley Cemetery, Mooresville, NC. William Richmond enlisted in the Confederate service May 5, 1861 at age of 24. He served with his brother Ezekial in Co A of the 4th North Carolina Regiment and was appointed 2nd Lieutenant on August 2, 1863. He was wounded at Spotsylvania Court House, Virginia, May 15/15, 1864. He rejoined his company prior to October 19, 1864, when he was killed at Cedar Creek, Virginia. The History of North Carolina Troops records that "Lieutenant W. R. McNeely, who fell at the Battle of cedar Creek, was one of Iredell County's heroes. He was senior officer on the left of the regiment when he fell, and his loss was a serious one to his command. he was a cool and skilled officer and a good man." John Franklin was Captain in Co.K, 56th NC Regiment, CSA.; died December 01, 1916 in Panola County, MS. He married Jane Elizabeth Mills November 20, 1866 in Panola County, Mississippi.. Enlisted in Co. K. 56th Regiment of North Carolina Infantry. He was in the trenches at Petersburg, Virginia, in the winter of 1864-1865 and had been promoted to Captain on June 20 1864. He was with General Lee at the surrender at Appomattox on April 9, 1865, and was paroled and allowed to return to Iredell County. Soon after the War John Franklin moved to Panola County, Mississippi. He bought property and lived in the Eureka Springs community at McNeely Crossroads, until moving to Courtland, where he died. He has descendants living in Batesville, Mississippi in 2002. He is buried in the Magnolia Cemetery, Batesville, Mississippi. Mary Elizabeth (Libby) married John Alexander (Jack) Lowrance in Iredell County, NC. Jack enlisted in the Confederate Army April 1862, he served throughout the war in Company K, 56th North Carolina Infantry. He was at Petersburg in the winter of 1864/65 and was captured at the Battle of Five Forks near Dinwiddie, Virginia on April 1, 1865. After confinement in the Old Capitol Prison in Washington and the Johnson's Island prison in Ohio, he returned to Iredell Couty. They sold their farm in 1868 and after a brief stop in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, moved to Eureka Springs, Panola County, Mississippi, to be near Libby's brother, John Franklin. After Jack's death October 1879 Libby and family continued to operate the farm until they moved to Hill County Texas in December 1891. Libby died there October 1923, and is buried in Ridge Park Cemetery.

JOHN McNEELY

(Possible son of David)

We know that David had a son named John. Identification of which John is David's has not been confirmed. I speculate that this John married Ruth Wallis. Betty Mills believes this to be the John R who migrated to Cape Girardeau. *"Mary McNeely, the daughter of Cam McNeely and the granddaughter of James Kelsey Mcneely, believes that James was an uncle and that the father of James Kelsey was Cooper John McNeely. "Miss Mary" taught school in Mooresville for many years and is still a resident. her research indicates that Cooper John went to Missouri and an article in the 'Mooresville Tribune' of 1937 states that my grandfather, John Thomas McNeely, visited relatives in Missouri near Jackson and Giradean."* (Article 398 Heritage of Iredell County, NC 1980 Ann M Chase). Note from Maurice: Elizabeth at age 78 was in household of Ruel. James McNeely married Elizabeth Kilpatrick, hence Ann M. Chase seems correct. Silas is a son of a John and Ruth Wallis, I speculate this John. Silas married Martha Teresa Gray first then Mary C. (Lowrance) Moore second. Also James F. McNeely may have been the son of this John and Ruth.

More About William McNeely and Mildred Macay:
Marriage: December 11, 1860, Rowan County, NC¹¹

Children of William McNeely and Unk are:

- 13 i. Carrie⁸ McNeely¹², born Abt. 1856.
- 14 ii. Louie McNeely, born Abt. 1859.

Children of William McNeely and Mildred Macay are:

- 15 i. Robert W.⁸ McNeely¹².
- 16 ii. Fanny McNeely¹².
- 17 iii. T.C. McNeely¹².

Endnotes

1. Letter sent by GenSoc Cape Gir, MO written by McPherson Family., Elenor daughter of Archibald who m McPherson, stated Uncle Adam and grandfather.
2. Adam's will. Lancaster will book J-1-152. Probated 1771, written 1758..
3. David's will. Book A 236, Rowan County, NC..
4. Adam' will..
5. Abstracts of Wills and estates records. Jo White Linn page 10..
6. 1860 Rowan County census list Thomas as born South Carolina., Adam and Margaret were in SC at time of Thomas birth.
7. Speculation based on 1850 census. 1860 census., In household of Thomas L. Cowan brother of Margaret Cowan McNeely who would be grandmother of Thomas C. Margaret mother of Thomas who we believe to be father of Thomas C.
8. Speculation based on 1850 census. 1860 census., William G. in household of Thomas C. Cowan 1850 census. Thomas C. is brother of Margaret Cowan McNeely wife of Archibald Jr. We believe William G. is son of Thomas son of Archibald Jr. and Margaret. 1860 Rowan County census William G. in household of Thomas and Margaret. Much information on this family in Macay and McNeely Family Papers, 1746-1918 Reel 26 Southern Plantation Papers Series J, Part B. Particularly Robert and Fannie.
9. Speculation based on Louie being infant in household of Thomas with Wm G. also in household..
10. Macay and McNeely Family Papers, 1746-1918, Rowan County, North Carolina., William Spruce Macay married Mildred Ann Hunt. William Spruce died around 1860. Ann married William G. McNeely December 11, 1860.
11. Rowan County Marriages 1753-1868.
12. Macay and McNeely Family Papers, 1746-1918, Rowan County, North Carolina..

Descendants of (?)David(Rowan) McNeely

Generation No. 1

1. (?)David(Rowan)⁵ McNeely (UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹) was born Bef. 1747 in (McCombs NC researcher states born 1752, no source)¹, and died May 14, 1801 in Rowan County, NC. He married Unk in Rowan County, NC. She died Bef. 1800.

More About (?)David(Rowan) McNeely and Unk:
Marriage: Rowan County, NC

Children of (?)David(Rowan) McNeely and Unk are:

- + 2 i. (?)Margaret⁶ McNeely, born Abt. 1767 in (McCombs NC researcher states born 1776, no source); died October 22, 1837 in Rowan County, NC in 70th year.
- + 3 ii. Adam McNeely, born 1768 in McCombs has 1773 as birth date, no source.; died May 28, 1829 in Mooresville, Iredell County, NC.

- + 4 iii. James McNeely, born 1774 in (Betty Mills thinks James married 2 times, Elizabeth 2 wife); died Abt. 1827.
- + 5 iv. (?)John (Saddler) McNeely, born 1776; died September 29, 1846 in Rowan County, NC at 70 yrs 11 months 7 days..
- 6 v. Agnes McNeely², born 1780³. She married William Kilpatrick⁴ February 09, 1795 in Rowan County, NC.

More About William Kilpatrick and Agnes McNeely:

---: James McNeely bondsman.

Marriage: February 09, 1795, Rowan County, NC

- 7 vi. Timothy McNeely⁵, born Aft. 1783⁶.
- 8 vii. Jean McNeely⁷, born 1784⁸.

Generation No. 2

2. (?)Margaret⁶ McNeely (??)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹⁹ was born Abt. 1767 in (McCombs NC researcher states born 1776, no-source)¹⁰, and died October 22, 1837 in Rowan County, NC in 70th year¹¹. She married John (Jr.) McNeely¹² February 27, 1787 in Rowan County, NC, son of John McNeely and Unk. He was born December 1756 in Bucks County, PA¹³, and died October 15, 1843 in Rowan County, NC¹⁴.

More About (?)Margaret McNeely:

Burial: Back Creek Church, Rowan County, NC

More About John (Jr.) McNeely:

Burial: Back Creek Church, Rowan County, NC

More About John McNeely and (?)Margaret McNeely:

Bondsman: David McNeely

Marriage: February 27, 1787, Rowan County, NC

Children of (?)Margaret McNeely and John McNeely are:

- 9 i. Catharine⁷ McNeely¹⁵.
- 10 ii. Daughters McNeely¹⁶.
- 11 iii. Timothy McNeely¹⁷, died Abt. October 1839 in Rowan County, NC¹⁸.
- + 12 iv. Josiah McNeely, born Bet. 1780 - 1790 in Rowan County, NC; died February 18, 1837 in Scott County, Missouri.
- 13 v. (?)Nancy McNeely¹⁹, born Abt. 1793.
- + 14 vi. John McNeely, born December 19, 1797; died August 18, 1884 in Cape Girardeau, MO.
- + 15 vii. David McNeely, born Abt. 1800 in Rowan County, NC; died Bef. 1851 in Rowan County, NC.
- 16 viii. (?)Margaret McNeely¹⁹, born Abt. 1801.
- + 17 ix. Elizabeth McNeely, born Abt. 1805 in North Carolina.
- 18 x. Mary McNeely²⁰, born 1805 in Rowan County, NC; died October 28, 1885²¹. She married John Wilson McNeely²² October 24, 1845 in Rowan County, NC; born 1807; died 1871 in Rowan County, NC.

More About John Wilson McNeely:

Fact 1: John Wilson and Samuel bought Lucinda.

More About John McNeely and Mary McNeely:

Marriage: October 24, 1845, Rowan County, NC

- + 19 xi. Ebenezer McNeely, born Abt. 1811.

3. Adam⁶ McNeely ((?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)²³ was born 1768 in McCombs has 1773 as birth date, no source.²⁴, and died May 28, 1829 in Mooresville, Iredell County, NC. He married Lattice Kilpatrick²⁵ January 17, 1791 in Rowan County, NC, daughter of John Kilpatrick and Elizabeth McKnight. She was born 1767, and died May 28, 1846 in Mooresville, Iredell, North Carolina.

More About Adam McNeely and Lattice Kilpatrick:

----: William Kilpatrick bondsman.

Marriage: January 17, 1791, Rowan County, NC

Children of Adam McNeely and Lattice Kilpatrick are:

- 20 i. Lattice⁷ McNeely²⁶.
- 21 ii. Nancy McNeely²⁶.
- 22 iii. Polly McNeely²⁶.
- + 23 iv. David McNeely, born Abt. 1792; died Abt. 1852 in Will probated Iredell, NC May 1852..
- + 24 v. John McNeely, born 1795; died 1857 in Iredell County, NC.
- + 25 vi. James McNeely, born Abt. 1798 in Iredell County, NC; died 1853 in Iredell County, NC.
- + 26 vii. Ezekial McNeely, born Abt. 1804; died March 15, 1885 in Cape Girardeau, MO, 80 yrs, 8 mo. 7 days..
- + 27 viii. Hezekiah McNeely, born December 02, 1810 in Iredell County, NC; died August 17, 1844.

4. James⁶ McNeely ((?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)²⁷ was born 1774 in (Betty Mills thinks James married 2 times, Elizabeth 2 wife)²⁸, and died Abt. 1827. He married Elizabeth Kilpatrick²⁹ February 25, 1793 in Rowan County, NC³⁰, daughter of John Kilpatrick and Elizabeth McKnight. She was born Abt. 1778³¹.

More About James McNeely and Elizabeth Kilpatrick:

----: William Kilpatrick bondsman.

Marriage: February 25, 1793, Rowan County, NC³²

Children of James McNeely and Elizabeth Kilpatrick are:

- + 28 i. (?)John (Cooper?) R.⁷ McNeely, born 1796 in Rowan County, NC; died 1843 in Cape Girardeau, MO.
- + 29 ii. Ruel McNeely, born Abt. 1800 in Rowan County, NC.
- + 30 iii. James Kelsey McNeely, born July 02, 1807 in Rowan County, NC; died August 27, 1860 in North Carolina.

5. (?)John (Saddler)⁶ McNeely ((?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)³³ was born 1776, and died September 29, 1846 in Rowan County, NC at 70 yrs 11 months 7 days.³⁴ He married Mary B. "Polly" Cowan³⁵ July 22, 1802 in Rowan County, NC³⁶. She was born 1785³⁷, and died January 11, 1855 in Rowan County, NC aged 70 years³⁸.

More About (?)John (Saddler) McNeely:

Burial: Back Creek Church, Rowan County, NC

More About Mary B. "Polly" Cowan:

-----: 1850, Rowan County census with Joseph B.

Burial: Back Creek Church, Rowan County, NC

More About (?)John McNeely and Mary Cowan:

Marriage: July 22, 1802, Rowan County, NC³⁹

Children of (?)John McNeely and Mary Cowan are:

- + 31 i. Jane Clementine⁷ McNeely, born Abt. 1806; died December 10, 1867 in Cape Girardeau, MO.
- 32 ii. Linda/Lucinda McNeely⁴⁰, born Abt. 1807. She married Cyrus Fleming⁴¹ November 24, 1825 in Rowan County, NC⁴².

More About Cyrus Fleming and Linda/Lucinda McNeely:
Marriage: November 24, 1825, Rowan County, NC⁴²

- + 33 iii. Ann McNeely, born Bet. 1810 - 1815.
- 34 iv. John McNeely, born 1820; died January 06, 1847 in Rowan County, NC.

More About John McNeely:
Burial: Back Creek Cemetery, Rowan County, NC

- 35 v. Zenas C. McNeely⁴³, born December 1820 in Rowan County, NC; died August 24, 1847 in Betty Mills has 1834 probate listing. Cape Girardeau, MO.
- 36 vi. Joseph B. McNeely⁴⁴, born Abt. 1829⁴⁵. He married Mary A. McConnaughey January 08, 1849 in Mecklenburg County, NC⁴⁶; born Abt. 1828.

More About Joseph McNeely and Mary McConnaughey:
----: John R. Davidson, bondsman; B. Oates, wit.
Marriage: January 08, 1849, Mecklenburg County, NC⁴⁶

Generation No. 3

12. Josiah⁷ McNeely ((?)Margaret⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)⁴⁷ was born Bet. 1780 - 1790 in Rowan County, NC, and died February 18, 1837 in Scott County, Missouri⁴⁸. He married Mary Ann Unk⁴⁹. She was born Abt. 1795 in North Carolina, and died November 08, 1853 in Macon/Bond County Illinois⁵⁰.

More About Josiah McNeely:

Fact 1: Betty Mills thinks possibility James and Elizabeth are parents.

More About Mary Ann Unk:

-----: 58 yrs 11 months 13 days at death.

Burial: Bethel Cemetery

Children of Josiah McNeely and Mary Unk are:

- + 37 i. John A.⁸ McNeely, born February 22, 1818 in Rowan County, NC; died April 17, 1882 in Macon/Bond County Illinois.
- + 38 ii. (?)George N McNeely, born Abt. 1819; died April 04, 1856 in Macon/Bond County Illinois.
- + 39 iii. Margaret Mercy McNeely, born January 11, 1822 in Rowan County, NC; died January 18, 1916 in Tower Hill, Illinois.
- 40 iv. Catharine McNeely, born Abt. 1827.
- + 41 v. Sarah Jane McNeely, born Abt. 1828; died 1880 in Bond County, IL.
- 42 vi. Silas McNeely, born Abt. 1832; died April 22, 1856 in Macon/Bond County Illinois⁵⁰.

More About Silas McNeely:
Burial: Bethel Cemetery

14. John⁷ McNeely ((?)Margaret⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)⁵¹ was born December 19, 1797⁵², and died August 18, 1884 in Cape Girardeau, MO. He married (1) Jane C.

Miller⁵³ February 13, 1840 in Rowan County, NC⁵⁴. She was born August 06, 1804, and died January 27, 1857 in Cape Girardeau, MO. He married (2) Margaret G.⁵⁵ Abt. 1857. She was born February 20, 1836, and died January 28, 1860 in Cape Girardeau, MO.

More About John McNeely and Jane Miller:

Marriage: February 13, 1840, Rowan County, NC⁵⁶

More About John McNeely and Margaret G.:

Marriage: Abt. 1857

Children of John McNeely and Jane Miller are:

- + 43 i. John Newton⁸ McNeely, born July 01, 1841 in Cape Girardeau, MO.
- 44 ii. Margaret McNeely, born Abt. 1843.
- 45 iii. Lerena Jane McNeely, born Abt. 1845.
- 46 iv. Elizabeth C. McNeely, born Abt. 1847.

15. David⁷ McNeely ((?)Margaret⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)⁵⁷ was born Abt. 1800 in Rowan County, NC, and died Bef. 1851 in Rowan County, NC⁵⁸. He married Ann Lorance⁵⁹ July 18, 1825 in Rowan County, NC⁶⁰. She was born February 14, 1801⁶¹, and died April 13, 1851 in Rowan County, NC⁶².

More About David McNeely:

Burial: Back Creek Church, Rowan County, NC

More About Ann Lorance:

Burial: Back Creek Church, Rowan County, NC

More About David McNeely and Ann Lorance:

----: Alfred A. Lourance, bondsman

Marriage: July 18, 1825, Rowan County, NC⁶³

Children of David McNeely and Ann Lorance are:

- + 47 i. John (Locke) Lockridge⁸ McNeely, born July 04, 1836; died July 11, 1862 in Richmond, Virginia.
- + 48 ii. Silas A McNeely, born May 23, 1833 in Rowan County, NC; died April 08, 1888 in Rowan County, NC.
- 49 iii. Jane M. McNeely⁶⁴, born Abt. 1826.
- 50 iv. Margaret C. McNeely⁶⁴, born Abt. 1828. She married James Miller⁶⁵ December 22, 1854 in Rowan County, NC.

More About James Miller and Margaret McNeely:

Bondsman: James S. Lowrance

Marriage: December 22, 1854, Rowan County, NC

17. Elizabeth⁷ McNeely ((?)Margaret⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)⁶⁶ was born Abt. 1805 in North Carolina. She married William B McNeely August 01, 1832 in Rowan County, NC⁶⁷, son of Samuel McNeely and Nancy Pool. He was born 1805 in North Carolina⁶⁸.

More About William B McNeely:

-----: Migrated to Cape Girardeau, MO.

More About William McNeely and Elizabeth McNeely:

----: Aabner Adams, bondsman.

Marriage: August 01, 1832, Rowan County, NC⁶⁹

Child of Elizabeth McNeely and William McNeely is:

- + 51 i. Samuel E. (Iron)⁸ McNeely, born Abt. 1835 in Missouri.

19. Ebenezer⁷ McNeely ((?)Margaret⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)⁷⁰ was born Abt. 1811⁷¹. He married Elizabeth⁷¹. She was born Abt. 1820.

Children of Ebenezer McNeely and Elizabeth are:

- 52 i. Thomas G.⁸ McNeely, born Abt. 1845.
- 53 ii. William E. McNeely, born Abt. 1848.
- 54 iii. George W McNeely, born Abt. 1850.
- 55 iv. Sarah J McNeely, born Abt. 1852.

23. David⁷ McNeely (Adam⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)⁷² was born Abt. 1792, and died Abt. 1852 in Will probated Iredell, NC May 1852.. He married Elizabeth Creswell⁷³, daughter of James Creswell and Elizabeth Martin. She was born Abt. 1796, and died 1877 in Iredell County, NC⁷⁴.

More About Elizabeth Creswell:

-----: 1870, On Iredell census with Louisa who is probably Martha L. L. on 1850 census.

Burial: Centre cem. (North of Mooresville) North Carolina

Children of David McNeely and Elizabeth Creswell are:

- + 56 i. James Ephriam⁸ McNeely, born September 28, 1817 in Iredell County, NC; died August 24, 1881 in Iredell County, NC.
- + 57 ii. Jane McNeely, born Abt. 1821.
- 58 iii. William W. McNeely⁷⁵, born Abt. 1824.
- 59 iv. Martha L.L. McNeely⁷⁶, born Abt. 1834.

24. John⁷ McNeely (Adam⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)⁷⁷ was born 1795⁷⁸, and died 1857 in Iredell County, NC⁷⁸. He married Margaret⁷⁹. She was born 1793⁸⁰, and died 1871 in Iredell County, NC⁸⁰.

More About John McNeely:

-----: 1850, Carmi 2 yrs old in household on census.

Burial: Centre Church Cemetery, Mooresville, NC

More About Margaret:

Burial: Centre Church Cemetery, Mooresville, NC

Children of John McNeely and Margaret are:

- 60 i. Nancy⁸ McNeely⁸¹, born Abt. 1819.
- + 61 ii. Adam Albert McNeely, born Abt. 1826.
- 62 iii. Camilia McNeely⁸¹, born Abt. 1828.
- 63 iv. (?)Joseph T. McNeely, born Abt. 1821. He married Harriet E. Williford November 13, 1839 in Iredell County, NC; born Abt. 1820.

More About Harriet E. Williford:

Note: Zachariah Blackwelder, bondsman; Hy. Giles, Wit. marriage.

More About (?)Joseph McNeely and Harriet E. Williford:

Marriage: November 13, 1839, Iredell County, NC

25. James⁷ McNeely (Adam⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹⁸² was born Abt. 1798 in Iredell County, NC, and died 1853 in Iredell County, NC⁸³. He married Hannah Creswell⁸⁴, daughter of James Creswell and Elizabeth Martin. She was born Abt. 1799 in Iredell County, NC⁸⁵, and died 1856 in Iredell County, NC⁸⁶.

More About James McNeely:

Burial: Centre cemetery (North of Mooresville) North Carolina

More About Hannah Creswell:

Burial: Centre (North of Mooresville) North Carolina

Children of James McNeely and Hannah Creswell are:

- 64 i. Martha Ann⁸ McNeely⁸⁷, born Abt. 1831.
- 65 ii. Nancy McNeely⁸⁷, born Abt. 1833.
- 66 iii. Julia McNeely⁸⁷, born Abt. 1835.
- 67 iv. Isabella McNeely⁸⁸.
- 68 v. Elizabeth McNeely⁸⁸.

26. Ezekial⁷ McNeely (Adam⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹⁸⁹ was born Abt. 1804, and died March 15, 1885 in Cape Girardeau, MO, 80 yrs, 8 mo. 7 days.⁹⁰ He married Mary Ann Wilson 1837.

More About Ezekial McNeely and Mary Wilson:

Marriage: 1837

Children of Ezekial McNeely and Mary Wilson are:

- + 69 i. Martha⁸ McNeely.
- 70 ii. Thomas Eugene McNeely.

27. Hezekiah⁷ McNeely (Adam⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹⁹¹ was born December 02, 1810 in Iredell County, NC⁹², and died August 17, 1844. He married Mary Brawley April 10, 1834 in Iredell County, NC⁹³. She was born November 06, 1810⁹⁴, and died June 03, 1889.

More About Hezekiah McNeely and Mary Brawley:

Marriage: April 10, 1834, Iredell County, NC⁹⁵

Children of Hezekiah McNeely and Mary Brawley are:

- 71 i. Nancy⁸ McNeely⁹⁶, born March 12, 1835; died December 20, 1856 in Iredell County, NC.

More About Nancy McNeely:

Burial: Centre cem. (North of Mooresville) North Carolina

- + 72 ii. Ezekial McKissick McNeely, born July 20, 1836; died November 07, 1907 in Iredell County, NC.
- 73 iii. William Richmond McNeely, born October 28, 1837 in Iredell County, NC; died October 19, 1864 in in Battle of Cedar Creek, VA. He was in Co. A of 4th NC Regiment, CSA.
- 74 iv. John Franklin McNeely⁹⁷, born February 09, 1840 in John F. was born 9 February 1840 in Iredell Co., NC and died 1 December 1916 in Panola County, MS. He was Captain in Co.K, 56th NC Regiment, CSA.⁹⁸, died December 01, 1916 in Panola County, MS⁹⁸. He married Jane Elizabeth Mills⁹⁹ November 20, 1866 in Panola County, Mississippi.⁹⁹.

More About John Franklin McNeely:

----- 1: Captain in Co.K, 56th NC Regiment, CSA.

----- 2: John F. has descendents living in Batesville, MS. (2002)

Burial: Magnolia Cemetery, Batesville, Mississippi.

More About John McNeely and Jane Mills:

Marriage: November 20, 1866, Panola County, Mississippi.⁹⁹

75

- v. Mary Elizabeth (Libby) McNeely⁹⁹, born August 23, 1844; died October 14, 1923 in Hill County, Texas. She married John Alexander (Jack) Lowrance⁹⁹ April 11, 1860 in Iredell County, NC; died 1879.

More About Mary Elizabeth (Libby) McNeely:

Burial: Ridge Park Cemetery, Hillsboro, Texas

More About John Lowrance and Mary McNeely:

Marriage: April 11, 1860, Iredell County, NC

28. (?)John (Cooper?) R.⁷ McNeely (James⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)¹⁰⁰ was born 1796 in Rowan County, NC, and died 1843 in Cape Girardeau, MO. He married Mary L. Shufford¹⁰¹ January 05, 1826 in Rowan County, NC¹⁰². She was born September 10, 1806 in Rowan County, NC, and died July 28, 1890 in Cape Girardeau, MO.

Marriage Notes for (?)John McNeely and Mary Shufford:

Marriage bond: John R. McNeely to Mary Shufford January 5, 1826. Signed David Kilpatrick. (The Heritage of Rowan County, North Carolina).

More About (?)John McNeely and Mary Shufford:

Marriage: January 05, 1826, Rowan County, NC¹⁰²

Children of (?)John McNeely and Mary Shufford are:

- + 76 i. Henry⁸ McNeely, born Abt. 1828.
77 ii. Archibald McNeely, born Abt. 1829.

More About Archibald McNeely:

-----: Resided in California 1960's or so according to article in Goodspeed history of SE MO.

- 78 iii. Lafayette McNeely, born Abt. 1832.
79 iv. Delia Ann McNeely, born Abt. 1834.
+ 80 v. George W. McNeely, born February 07, 1836 in Cape County, MO; died August 19, 1917 in Leemon, Missouri.
81 vi. Robert McNeely, born Abt. 1843.

29. Ruel⁷ McNeely (James⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)¹⁰³ was born Abt. 1800 in Rowan County, NC. He married Eliza. She was born Abt. 1806 in Rowan County, NC.

Children of Ruel McNeely and Eliza are:

- + 82 i. Mary A⁸ McNeely, born Abt. 1826.
83 ii. James K McNeely, born Abt. 1828.
84 iii. Hugh William G. McNeely, born Abt. 1830; died July 25, 1852¹⁰⁴.
85 iv. Eleanor J. McNeely, born Abt. 1848.

30. James Kelsey⁷ McNeely (James⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)¹⁰⁵ was born July 02, 1807 in Rowan County, NC, and died August 27, 1860 in North Carolina. He married Margaret Gray¹⁰⁶ May 07, 1829. She was born May 25, 1807 in North Carolina, and died August 05, 1870.

More About Margaret Gray:

Burial: North Carolina

More About James McNeely and Margaret Gray:

Marriage: May 07, 1829

Children of James McNeely and Margaret Gray are:

- 86 i. Thomas G.⁸ McNeely¹⁰⁷, born 1829; died August 19, 1850¹⁰⁸.
- + 87 ii. James A. McNeely, born Abt. 1832.
- + 88 iii. Burgess Wilson McNeely, born May 12, 1834 in North Carolina; died March 30, 1896 in Mooresville, North Carolina.
- 89 iv. Maxwell McNeely¹⁰⁹, born Abt. 1835.
- + 90 v. Carmi/Clarence K. McNeely, born June 27, 1836 in Rowan County, NC (Just across line from Mooresville, Iredell); died November 1915 in Mooresville, NC.

31. Jane Clementine⁷ McNeely ((?)John (Saddler)⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)¹¹⁰ was born Abt. 1806¹¹¹, and died December 10, 1867 in Cape Girardeau, MO¹¹². She married Elam L. Adams¹¹³ 1825 in Rowan County, NC, son of Jacob Adams and Sarah. He was born Abt. 1801¹¹⁴, and died December 02, 1862 in Cape Girardeau, MO¹¹⁵.

More About Jane Clementine McNeely:

-----: Died at 59 yrs 1 mo, 22 days

More About Elam L. Adams:

----- 1: December 1825, Bought Land in Cape Girardeau County, MO.¹¹⁶

----- 2: Died 61 yrs 9 mo, 6 days.

More About Elam Adams and Jane McNeely:

Marriage: 1825, Rowan County, NC

Children of Jane McNeely and Elam Adams are:

- 91 i. Mary⁸ Adams¹¹⁶, born Abt. 1826.
- 92 ii. Sarah L Adams¹¹⁶, born Abt. 1828.
- 93 iii. Silas M Adams¹¹⁶, born Abt. 1828.
- 94 iv. George W Adams¹¹⁶, born May 15, 1831¹¹⁷; died August 30, 1858 in Cape Girardeau, MO¹¹⁷.
- 95 v. John C Adams¹¹⁸, born Abt. 1835.

33. Ann⁷ McNeely ((?)John (Saddler)⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)¹¹⁹ was born Bet. 1810 - 1815¹²⁰. She married Shive¹²¹.

Children of Ann McNeely and Shive are:

- 96 i. Caleb W.⁸ Shive¹²¹.
- 97 ii. John M. Shive¹²¹.

Child of Martha McNeely and John Knox is:

- 145 i. Unk Female⁹ Knox.

72. Ezekial McKissick⁸ McNeely (Hezekiah⁷, Adam⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹) was born July 20, 1836¹⁶⁰, and died November 07, 1907 in Iredell County, NC. He married Martha E. Creswell¹⁶¹ March 29, 1865 in Iredell County, NC¹⁶². She was born Abt. 1840.

More About Ezekial McKissick McNeely:

-----: 1870, William T. Mills 13 in household on census.

Burial: Willow Valley Cemetery, Mooreville, NC

Marriage Notes for Ezekial McNeely and Martha Creswell:

Cermony conducted by Rev. W. B. Watts.

More About Ezekial McNeely and Martha Creswell:

Marriage: March 29, 1865, Iredell County, NC¹⁶²

Children of Ezekial McNeely and Martha Creswell are:

- 146 i. William F⁹ McNeely¹⁶³, born Abt. 1866.
147 ii. John L.C. McNeely¹⁶³, born Abt. 1867.
148 iii. Mary C McNeely¹⁶³, born Abt. 1868.
149 iv. Ellen J. McNeely¹⁶³, born Abt. 1869.

76. Henry⁸ McNeely ((?)John (Cooper?) R.⁷, James⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹) was born Abt. 1828. He married Sarah J. Mitchell¹⁶⁴. She was born Abt. 1830.

Child of Henry McNeely and Sarah Mitchell is:

- 150 i. Eliza⁹ McNeely¹⁶⁴, born Abt. 1859.

80. George W.⁸ McNeely ((?)John (Cooper?) R.⁷, James⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹) was born February 07, 1836 in Cape County, MO¹⁶⁵, and died August 19, 1917 in Leemon, Missouri. He married (1) Marillies Haille¹⁶⁵ 1858¹⁶⁶. She was born December 25, 1837, and died May 04, 1866 in Cape Girardeau, MO. He married (2) Mary Mitchell¹⁶⁷ April 22, 1868 in Cape Girardeau, MO¹⁶⁸. She was born June 06, 1835, and died January 20, 1900 in Cape Girardeau, MO. He married (3) Mary E. Labriear/Green¹⁶⁸ August 06, 1903 in Cape Girardeau, MO¹⁶⁸. She was born Abt. 1845, and died February 23, 1905 in Cape Girardeau, MO. He married (4) Martha J. Nations¹⁶⁸ April 1916 in Cape Girardeau, MO.

More About George McNeely and Marillies Haille:

Marriage: 1858¹⁶⁸

More About George McNeely and Mary Mitchell:

Marriage: April 22, 1868, Cape Girardeau, MO¹⁶⁸

More About George McNeely and Mary Labriear/Green:

Marriage: August 06, 1903, Cape Girardeau, MO¹⁶⁸

More About George McNeely and Martha Nations:

Marriage: April 1916, Cape Girardeau, MO

Children of George McNeely and Marillies Haille are:

- + 151 i. John T.⁹ McNeely, born November 03, 1859 in Fruitland, Missouri; died May 1940 in Leemon, Missouri.

- 152 ii. Elizabeth "Lizzie" McNeely¹⁶⁹, born March 08, 1862 in Cape Girardeau, MO; died August 11, 1864 in Cape Girardeau, MO.
- 153 iii. Mary (Molly?) L. McNeely¹⁷⁰, born February 11, 1864 in Cape Girardeau, MO; died June 22, 1948 in Cape Girardeau, MO. She married William Price Morton Abt. 1883.

More About William Morton and Mary McNeely:
Marriage: Abt. 1883

- 154 / iv. David McNeely¹⁷⁰.
- 155 v. Dovey Ann McNeely¹⁷¹, born February 25, 1866 in Cape Girardeau, MO; died June 14, 1895 in Cape Girardeau, MO. She married Pleasant Snider December 24, 1890 in Cape Girardeau, MO.

More About Pleasant Snider and Dovey McNeely:
Marriage: December 24, 1890, Cape Girardeau, MO

Children of George McNeely and Mary Mitchell are:

- 156 i. Zurtha⁹ McNeely¹⁷², born February 09, 1870 in Cape Girardeau, MO; died March 17, 1873 in Cape Girardeau, MO.
- 157 ii. Rutha Ann McNeely¹⁷³, born December 13, 1871 in Cape Girardeau, MO; died February 13, 1895 in Cape Girardeau, MO. She married Ed Lang February 13, 1895 in Cape Girardeau, MO.

More About Ed Lang and Rutha McNeely:
Marriage: February 13, 1895, Cape Girardeau, MO

- 158 iii. Augusta McNeely¹⁷³, born October 16, 1874 in Cape Girardeau, MO; died December 22, 1963 in Chaffee, MO. She married William Henry Cunningham¹⁷³ September 30, 1900 in Cape Girardeau, MO.

More About William Cunningham and Augusta McNeely:
Marriage: September 30, 1900, Cape Girardeau, MO

83. James K⁸ McNeely (Ruel⁷, James⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹) was born Abt. 1828. He married Nancy M.¹⁷⁴. She was born Abt. 1830.

Children of James McNeely and Nancy M. are:

- 159 i. Louiza⁹ McNeely, born Abt. 1855.
- 160 ii. Mary Jane McNeely¹⁷⁴, born September 14, 1857; died June 09, 1858.

87. James A.⁸ McNeely (James Kelsey⁷, James⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)¹⁷⁵ was born Abt. 1832. He married (?)Mary M.¹⁷⁶. She was born Abt. 1840.

Child of James McNeely and (?)Mary M. is:

- 161 i. James K.⁹ McNeely¹⁷⁷, born Abt. 1869.

88. Burgess Wilson⁸ McNeely (James Kelsey⁷, James⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)¹⁷⁸ was born May 12, 1834 in North Carolina, and died March 30, 1896 in Mooresville, North Carolina. He married (1) Sarah Jane Williford in Second wife.. She was born May 12, 1834 in North Carolina, and died May 07, 1882 in North Carolina. He married (2) Bernice Lowrance.

More About Burgess McNeely and Sarah Williford:
Marriage: Second wife.

Children of Burgess McNeely and Sarah Williford are:

- + 162 i. John Thomas⁹ McNeely, born in Mooresville, North Carolina.

Marriage: July 23, 1896

- 176 ii. MamieGray McNeely¹⁸⁸, born January 31, 1879.
- 177 iii. William Lee McNeely, born June 30, 1883; died December 18, 1945 in Rowan County, NC. He married Margaret D. Lyerly Ray March 30, 1905; born November 24, 1881; died October 29, 1962 in Rowan County, NC.

More About William McNeely and Margaret Ray:

Marriage: March 30, 1905

- 178 iv. Cordi Lou McNeely, born April 13, 1881.
- 179 v. Inis ("Ina") Lillie McNeely, born May 27, 1886.
- 180 vi. James Monroe McNeely, born January 10, 1889.
- 181 vii. John Whittington McNeely, born June 07, 1891.
- 182 viii. David Steven McNeely, born February 13, 1893.
- 183 ix. Three More children McNeely.

125. Elisabeth⁹ McNeely (Samuel E. (Iron)⁸, Elizabeth⁷, (?)Margaret⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)¹⁸⁹ was born Abt. 1860. She married **Unknown H/Ripp**.

More About Elisabeth McNeely:

-----: 1880, In Samuel's household on census.

Children of Elisabeth McNeely and Unknown H/Ripp are:

- 184 i. William¹⁰ H/Ripp, born Abt. 1878.
- 185 ii. Sam H/Ripp, born Abt. 1880.

151. John T.⁹ McNeely (George W.⁸, (?)John (Cooper?) R.⁷, James⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)¹⁹⁰ was born November 03, 1859 in Fruitland, Missouri, and died May 1940 in Leemon, Missouri. He married **Jamima Jane "Jennie" Stevenson¹⁹¹** December 12, 1889 in Leemon, MO, daughter of Alexander Stevenson and Elizabeth Clodfelter. She was born June 16, 1862 in Shawneetown TP, Cape Girardeau, MO, and died June 11, 1945 in Leemon, Missouri.

More About John McNeely and Jamima Stevenson:

Marriage: December 12, 1889, Leemon, MO

Children of John McNeely and Jamima Stevenson are:

- 186 i. Mamie Onis¹⁰ McNeely¹⁹¹, born October 19, 1890 in Leemon, Missouri; died May 13, 1983 in Overland, Missouri. She married Chester Arthur Poe June 18, 1916 in Leemon, MO.

More About Chester Poe and Mamie McNeely:

Marriage: June 18, 1916, Leemon, MO

- 187 ii. Bess McNeely¹⁹¹, born December 28, 1892 in Leemon, Missouri; died November 19, 1937 in St. Louis, Missouri.

More About Bess McNeely:

Burial: Cape Girardeau, MO

- 188 iii. Elsay McNeely¹⁹¹, born December 28, 1892 in Leemon, Missouri; died November 23, 1981 in Cape Girardeau, MO. She married Edward Conrad Tuschhoff August 22, 1915 in Leemon, MO.

More About Edward Tuschhoff and Elsay McNeely:

Marriage: August 22, 1915, Leemon, MO

- 189 iv. Lois Alline McNeely¹⁹¹, born October 05, 1897 in Leemon, Missouri; died February 05, 1990 in Chateau Girardeau, Cape Girardeau, Missouri. She married Theodore Roosevelt Regenhardt March 31, 1923 in Leemon, MO.

More About Theodore Regenhardt and Lois McNeely:
Marriage: March 31, 1923, Leemon, MO

162. John Thomas⁹ McNeely (Burgess Wilson⁸, James Kelsey⁷, James⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)¹⁹² was born in Mooresville, North Carolina. He married **Emma Alice Freeze** January 24, 1899.

More About John McNeely and Emma Freeze:
Marriage: January 24, 1899

Child of John McNeely and Emma Freeze is:

- + 190 i. Jacob Burgess¹⁰ McNeely, born March 04, 1901 in Mooresville, North Carolina.

163. Cordi Belle⁹ McNeely (Burgess Wilson⁸, James Kelsey⁷, James⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹) She married **Unk Brown**.

Child of Cordi McNeely and Unk Brown is:

- 191 i. Grace¹⁰ Brown.

Generation No. 6

190. Jacob Burgess¹⁰ McNeely (John Thomas⁹, Burgess Wilson⁸, James Kelsey⁷, James⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)¹⁹² was born March 04, 1901 in Mooresville, North Carolina. He married **Ethel Louise Fox**. She was born May 23, 1907 in Fries, Virginia.

Child of Jacob McNeely and Ethel Fox is:

- + 192 i. Elizabeth Anne¹¹ McNeely, born February 07, 1934 in Mooresville, North Carolina.

Generation No. 7

192. Elizabeth Anne¹¹ McNeely (Jacob Burgess¹⁰, John Thomas⁹, Burgess Wilson⁸, James Kelsey⁷, James⁶, (?)David(Rowan)⁵, UNKNOWN but closely related⁴ NC, Unk PA To North Carolina³ McNeely, Bucks County PA², Unknown (Ireland)¹)¹⁹² was born February 07, 1934 in Mooresville, North Carolina. She married **(1) Unk Hirschfeld**. She married **(2) Unknown Chase**.

Children of Elizabeth McNeely and Unk Hirschfeld are:

- 193 i. David John¹² Hirschfeld, born July 07, 1956.
194 ii. Daniel Allen Hirschfeld, born November 27, 1957.
195 iii. Marchia Louise Hirschfeld, born February 20, 1961.

Child of Elizabeth McNeely and Unknown Chase is:

- 196 i. Alexander Anthony¹² Chase, born December 12, 1970.

Endnotes

1. Speculation had property tax in Rowan County in 1768, if same David. 21 age to have property..
2. Heritage of Iredell County, NC, article 398..
3. M.W. (Bill) McCombs Jr, Statesville, NC. (Researcher), Has no source for his material in most instances.