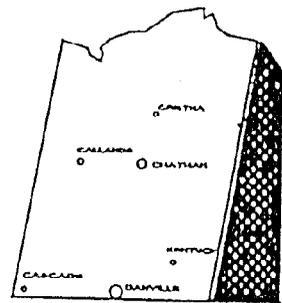


PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Established 1787. The area was Halifax County 1762-87 and Lunenburg County 1746-62. Embraced Henry County until 1777 and Patrick County until 1791. Court has wills, deeds, marriages, court orders, land books, some vital records 1863-88.

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PITTSYLVANIA

BY: ANNA EYARS

JOSEPH REYNOLDS OF PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY: HIS PARENTS AND PROGENY

While researching the family history of my friend and neighbor, Nancy Edwards Batterman, I was taken aback when I discovered that she descends from four separate Reynolds great-great grandfathers. Three of these I have proven to be grandsons of Joseph and Margaret Devin Reynolds. The fourth is very likely the son of Joseph Reynolds and his second wife, Nancy Ford. I reluctantly concluded that I would have to try to trace every Reynolds in the county to be sure about my friend's lineage.

William Reynolds Not Joseph's Father

Joseph Reynolds was born ca. 1760 and married Margaret Devin 21 Aug. 1780 (bond). Several sources have identified him as the son, Joseph, named in the 1791 will of William Reynolds of Pittsylvania County, with mother Martha and siblings: Sally, Tiffey, Betty, Thomas, John, Jesse, William, James, Alice, Lucy, Richard Cole, and Anna Davis Reynolds.

Although the time frame for this Joseph is logical, he is clearly not "our Joseph" who married Margaret Devin and lived for most of his life on Tomahawk Creek in the northwest section of the county. William Reynolds, the alleged father, does not appear in Pittsylvania Co. until about 1782, when he buys 200 acres of land from Robert Walters on Burches Creek (DB 6/240). He sold to his son Jesse, so named in the deed, 100 acres of this land 16 Apr. 1787 (DB 8/20). In his will, (D&WB 9/37), dated 16 Jan. 1791, William lent the 104-acre moiety of the tract to his wife Martha for her lifetime; at her death, the land was to go to two other sons: Joseph Reynolds, 54 acres, and Richard Cole Reynolds, the other 50 acres. William Reynolds' will was proven 18 July 1791. On 17 Feb. 1794, Jesse Reynolds purchased from Joseph Reynolds and wife Betsey, of Halifax County, and from Richard Cole Reynolds and wife Nancy, of Pittsylvania County, 104 acres on Burches Creek, land "left by will of Wm. Reynolds, dec'd., to Joseph and Richard Reynolds" (DB 9/510). This clearly proves that Joseph, son of this William Reynolds, was married to Betsey (Elizabeth Turner, in Halifax Co. 27 Nov. 1787) and NOT Margaret Devin.

Of the large family of William and Martha Reynolds, only one son remained in this county to carry on the name. This was Jesse. He had eight daughters who got married here: Patsy, m. 1801 Stephen Barber; ~~Barker~~ Nancy, m. 1803 Frederick Brown; Judith, m. 1803 Samuel Matherly; Anne, m. 1812 Wm. Shackelford; Sally, m. 1810 David Evans; Elizabeth, m. 1819 Champness Evans; Milley, m. 1810 Vincent Brown; and Mary, m. Jesse Pearman. His sons were Joseph, m. 1825 Mary Seymore, and William, m.

Elizabeth Pearman. All these families lived in the southeastern quadrant of Pittsylvania County.

David Reynolds Not The One Either

For many Reynolds researchers, the book The Kennolds-Reynolds Family of Virginia and England, 1510-1918, published by Stephen Tillman in 1939 is like a Bible, in the sense that any Reynolds who began another Reynolds is probably mentioned somewhere in it. Tillman had obviously done research in Pittsylvania County, using some court records and contributions from some families. However, in the case of "our Joseph" Reynolds, he jumped to some sadly mistaken conclusions. He extends an old, established Reynolds line down through Richard and Mary Anderson Reynolds, who migrated from Isle of Wight Co. Va. into Surry, King William, and Halifax Counties, naming their son David as the father of "our Joseph." His record attributes to David Reynolds sons Joseph, b. 1750; Richard David, b. 1757; Abram David; Bartlett; William; Jesse, b. 1760; and Alexander, b. 1763. He cites David as settling in Pittsylvania Co. and Joseph as being born in Henry Co. There actually was a David Reynolds who died in Henry Co. However, the settlement of his estate after his death in 1788 named no wife or children--only siblings Moses, Jesse, Archelaus, Bartus, Reuben, Millereton, and Mary. Tillman picks up the alleged siblings and children of Joseph and constructs families for them, based primarily on marriage bonds. Errors abound! The Reynolds families of Henry Co. actually lived in what became Patrick Co. in 1791. They stayed there and flourished, producing the Reynolds lines responsible for the tobacco and aluminum fortunes in North Carolina and Virginia. But they have no connection, unless in the distant past (1600's) to "our Joseph" of Tomahawk Creek, Pittsylvania County.

Hugh Reynolds and Mary Nealey Parents of Joseph

Having eliminated David and William Reynolds as Joseph's father, I sought another candidate. Thanks to the will of William Nealey, I found one. Nealey's will, written 6 Dec. 1787 and probated 21 July 1788 (D&WB 11/182) named his daughter Mary Reynolds and his grandsons William and Joseph Reynolds. At the will's probate, Hugh Reynolds stood as security for William and Joseph, the executors, both of whom were young men without property at this point. Hugh Reynolds had lived in the area of Pie Cr. and Tomahawk Cr. since 1766, at least. His requests for land patents (almost 1200 acres) are recorded in the Land Entry Book, 1737-1770. He may not have received all this land, but it proves that he was living here in order to request the surveys. The deed books show that Hugh bought 57 acres of land on the south side of Tomahawk Creek from William Neelley 4 Nov. 1774 (DB 4/91) and later purchased 105 adjoining acres from Killian Creek (DB 7/1). When Joseph Reynolds first bought land in 1784 he got 240 acres on Tomahawk Creek adjacent to Hugh's corner. Hugh Reynolds was exempted from levies in 1785, indicating his age or infirmity; he was listed as not tithable on the 1787 tax list, alongside Joseph and William Reynolds. He was still alive in 1788 at the probate of Nealey's will. There is no deed on record for the sale of Hugh's land; nor is there a will, a court order requiring inventory and appraisal, or an account of probate for him.

Joseph named his first son Hugh after his father, and the younger Hugh was never called "junior" on deeds, etc. While there is no document naming Hugh as the father of Joseph and William Reynolds, I am convinced by the proverbial preponderance of evidence that he was just that.

Joseph Takes a Wife

Joseph Reynolds married Margaret Devin 21 Aug. 1780 (bond), and they had nine children before she died around 1795. (Her youngest child was born about 1797, and we know that she had died before her father wrote his will in 1800). Margaret was the daughter of William and Sarah Devin; some sources have Sarah's maiden name as Smith. William Devin died in 1802. His will, written 25 Nov. 1800, names sons William, Robert, James, and Joseph, daughters Sarah Devin and Mary Bigger, and the children of daughter Margaret Reynolds, dec'd., whose money would be under the direction of their father, Joseph Reynolds (D&WB 9/243). These children are documented in court records. A guardianship order in August of 1804 lists the seven minor children, but omits Hugh and John Devin Reynolds, who are already 21 (OB 11/209). An 1820 deed is even more misleading. In what ought to be a complete list of heirs, only five of the children are parties to the deed, with the land bought by the husband of a sixth heir (DB 25/496). Fortunately, there is definitive proof in a case brought to chancery by Robert Devin as executor of his father's estate. In August of 1805, the Reynolds heirs are named, almost certainly in birth order:

Hugh Reynolds, John D. (Devin) Reynolds, Sarah Reynolds, William Reynolds, Mary Reynolds, Elizabeth Reynolds, Joseph Reynolds (Jr.), Robert (Devin) Reynolds, and Margaret Reynolds (Order Book 11/422)

The Patter of Little Feet

1. Hugh Reynolds, b. ca. 1781, m. 21 Sept. 1801 Elizabeth Mitchell, d/o James A. Mitchell and Sarah Warren Philpott Hubbard, wife of Daniel Campbell Hobart/Hubbard, by whom she had son Moses Hubbard. Both the Philpotts and Hubbards came from Maryland; Hugh & Elizabeth had 7 children who were named in a chancery suit after Hugh died intestate in 1832, and continued after Elizabeth died 5 Feb. 1859.
 - a) James Mitchell Reynolds, b. 1803, m. 3 May 1826 Rebecca Giles, d/o John and Ann. They had 9 children.
 - b) Joseph D. Reynolds, b. 1805, m. 19 Dec. 1825 Elizabeth Mahan. Many of this family moved with the Mahans to Georgia.
 - c) Samuel Mitchell Reynolds, b. 1807, m. 17 Dec. 1827 Judith P. Hubbard. Samuel was dec'd. at time of suit, leaving 2 heirs.
 - d) Dabney Reynolds, b. 1810, m. 15 Jan. 1838 Sarah P. Mahan. No children by 1850 census.
 - e) John Wilson Reynolds, b. 1812, m. 19 Aug. 1833 Margaret Benson Reynolds, d/o William dec'd., and Nancy Blair Reynolds Booker. (See IV for William Reynolds data.)
 - f) Cassandra W. Reynolds, b. 1815, m. (1) 11 Aug. 1812 Abraham P. Parish and (2) 5 Dec. 1837 Perry G. Reynolds.
 - g) Serena Reynolds, b. 1818, m. 17 Oct. 1836 Arthur Fuller. She

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County was dec'd. by 1859, leaving 6 heirs.

II. John Devin Reynolds, b. 22 Feb. 1783, m. 19 July 1806 in Henry Co. Sarah Ann Philpott, d/o Charles Thomas Philpott. Charles was the brother of Sarah Hubbard Mitchell, making the wives of Hugh and John Devin first cousins to each other. Sarah Ann was b. 1 Oct. 1784 in Maryland and d. ca. 1853. John Devin Reynolds died intestate 18 Mar. 1831. The ensuing chancery suit named heirs:

- a) Hetodias Reynolds, b. 6 Nov. 1808, m. 10 Nov. 1828 John Ward Adkins, s/o Henry & Elizabeth. Living in Henry Co. MO at time of suit.
b) John Philpott Reynolds, b. 4 Aug. 1809, m. 15 June 1832 Rhoda Smith. John was dec'd. by 1859, leaving 5 heirs.
c) William G. Reynolds, b. 2 Apr. 1811, m. 10 Aug. 1838 his cousin Elizabeth E. Blair, d/o Samuel & Polly Reynolds Blair. 9 children.
d) Elizabeth Reynolds, b. 22 Dec. 1812, d. 20 Nov. 1826.
e) Charles Thomas Reynolds, b. 2 Oct. 1814, m. 17 Jan. 1843 his cousin Sarepta Reynolds, d/o Robert Devin and Susanna Carter Reynolds. 3 children by 1850. (Some sources erroneously list Charles T. as son of Robert Devin Reynolds.)
f) Josiah Reynolds, b. 28 Sept. 1816, m. (1) 11 Nov. 1844 Mary Julius and (2) 21 Mar. 1851 cousin Amanda V. Blair, d/o Sam & Polly.
g) Allen Gilmer Reynolds, b. 18 Oct. 1818, m. 24 May 1843 Martha Ann Jackson; 4 children by 1850. Allen d. 21 Jan. 1897.
h) Hugh Reynolds, b. ca. 1820; sold his share of dower to brother Barton. No further info.
i) Sally Ann Reynolds, b. ca. 1822, m. 3 May 1844 William Henry Hedrick; moved to Lafayette Co., Ill. She was dec'd. at time of suit, leaving 4 heirs.
j) Barton Reynolds, b. 27 May 1827, m. 4 Dec. 1852 Rutha Oakes, d/o William E. and Sarah Fraley Oakes. Barton d. 18 May 1891. They had 11 children, 5 of whom married Reynolds cousins.

III. Sarah "Sally" Reynolds b. ca. 1785; first daughter, named after maternal grandmother Sarah Devin. There is little known about Sally--no marriage or census data. She may be the Sally Reynolds who had a son by William Adkins. Adkins recognizes Coleman Reynolds as his son in the will he wrote in 1847. He devises to him tools, livestock, and the land "whereon Sally Reynolds lately lived."

IV. William Reynolds b. ca. 1787, m. 29 Mar. 1814 Nancy Blair, d/o James and Polly Dickerson Blair. They had one dau., Margaret Benson, b. 20 May 1815; William then died 27 Jan. 1816. (From an old Bible record donated to the search room files) Nancy remained a widow until 1824, when she m. John Booker. Margaret m. John Wilson Reynolds, s/o Hugh & Elizabeth. (See 1c)

V. Mary "Polly" Reynolds b. ca. 1789, named after her paternal grandmother, Mary Nealey Reynolds. Polly m. 26 July 1810 Samuel Blair, brother of James above, and s/o Wm. & Sarah Sutter Blair. Polly and Samuel had 9 children before she died ca. 1833. They were: Margaret B. m. Abiku Barron; Joanna A. m. Berryman Ann; Joseph, died young; Elizabeth Elvira m. William G. Reynolds; James H. m. America Blair; William Addison Young Blair, m. Elizabeth Mahan; John Francis Marion

Blair, m. Mary C. Mahan; Amanda V., m. Josiah Reynolds; and Edna E. B. Blair, unmarried.

VI. Elizabeth Reynolds b. ca. 1791, m. 23 Oct. 1817 John Hawkins Kendrick, who died before 1850. They had eight children: Susan Maria, m. Alexander Jefferson; Louisa H., did not marry but had several children by "Oven of All" Atkins; Paulina; Sally; Thomas, m. Nancy Jefferson, Betsey; and Rebecca, m. William Rigney.

VII. Joseph Reynolds, Jr. b. ca. 1793, m. 21 Feb. 1815 Hanerwa Collins, d/o Keziah Collins. They owned land and had children here, but left the county before the 1850 census. No data on their children.

VIII. Robert Devin Reynolds b. ca. 1795, m. 21 Feb. 1820 Susanna Carter, d/o Nathan & Elizabeth Adkins Carter. Robert died by 19 Feb. 1844, when the court ordered his l. & A. (OB 38/4) brought 15 June 1857 which named heirs:

- a) William Reynolds
b) Charles Reynolds and Sarepta (Reynolds) dau. of Robert, m. 17 Jan 1843
c) Thomas H. Giles and Margaret (Reynolds) dau. of Robert, m. 4 Aug. 1847
d) Coleman Reynolds in right of his wife Elizabeth Reynolds, m. 26 Nov. 1849
e) James Reynolds, m. Mary Ann Haley 24 Dec. 1857
f) Alfred Oakes and Mary (Reynolds) dau. of Robert, m. 25 May 1852

IX. Margaret Reynolds b. ca. 1797. Her name is on the 1820 deed with her brothers. That is the last trace of her that I have found.

Joseph Takes Another Wife

After being a widower for several years, Joseph Reynolds married again. His second wife was Nancy Ford, married 26 July 1803. They had 7 or 8 children, according to census records. I can prove only two of their children by documents: Damaris, who m. 1827 William A. Napier, and Nancy Booker Reynolds, who m. 1836 Anderson Adkins. I have strong circumstantial evidence for several more. I believe that there was also a daughter, Matilda, who married Hiram Collins in 1820 and died about a year later. I further believe that the sons were Berryman Reynolds, m. 1829 Nancy Adkins; Featherston F. Reynolds, m. 1828 Susan F. Napier; Perry G. Reynolds, m. 1837 Cassandra Reynolds Parish; possibly Williamson Reynolds, m. 1834 Catharine Oakes; and Abraham Reynolds, m. 1833 Martha Epperson.

In the next lineage I will outline my proof and theories for the above children. If any reader has information about any of this second family, or if there are additions or corrections to what I have written in this issue, I would certainly appreciate hearing from you.

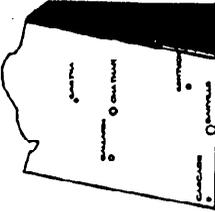
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JOSEPH REYNOLDS - PART TWO

In the August issue of Lineages, I outlined the parents and the children of Joseph Reynolds by his first wife, Margaret Devin. She had died before her father, William Devin, wrote his will in 1800. On July 25, 1803, a marriage bond was issued for Joseph Reynolds to marry Nancy Ford; his "second family" is the subject of this article.

At first I wasn't sure of the identity of this Joseph Reynolds. However, two documents proved that he was our patriarch. The first proof is a chancery suit brought by Nancy Ford Reynolds sometime between the death of Joseph in 1840 and Nancy's own death in 1847, for which reason the suit abated and was stricken from the docket. Nancy was suing for her dower rights to two tracts of land which she and Joseph, Sr., had sold to "his sons," Joseph, Jr. and John Devin Reynolds. Nancy's name, as wife of Joseph, appears on several deeds. A second, and conclusive, item is the deed of gift in which Joseph Reynolds, Sr. and his wife Nancy gave "our daughters Damaris Napier and Nancy Booker Reynolds" several slaves. The slaves were to remain with the parents during their natural lives; and if Nancy Booker Reynolds (who was not yet married) should die without issue, Damaris would receive her portion. (Deed Book 37/495, 10 July 1835)

The federal census of 1820 was crucial in determining the children of Joseph's second family. Joseph is shown as 45+ and Nancy as age 26-45. There are five sons and three daughters in the home. (3 males under 10, 1 male 10-16, 1 male 16-18; 1 female under 10, and 1 female 10-16) All of the children of Margaret Devin are out of the home and accounted for, except Margaret, whose name appears on the 1820 deed with her brothers. Her age would have to be 20 or 21; however, and I do not find her on this census. Therefore, Joseph and Nancy Reynolds had at least seven children; I believe there were eight. Here are my conclusions.

Before beginning the family structure, I point out that the children designated as Joseph's second family are the right age to be his grandchildren by John Devin Reynolds or Hugh Reynolds, his two older sons. But, if you refer back to the previous Lineages article, you will see that the chancery suits cited named all of the heirs of both John Devin and Hugh. There is no other logical assumption--they must be children of Joseph by his second wife.

I. Matilda Reynolds, b. ca. 1804, was, I believe, their first child. She married Hiram Collins 21 Feb. 1820, with surety John Hawkins Kendrick (husband of her half-sister Elizabeth). She appears

with her husband in the 1820 census as age 16-26. The geographically arranged census lists Joseph Reynolds, Sr.; Robert Reynolds; Joseph Reynolds, Jr.; and Hiram Collins, in consecutive order. Unfortunately, Matilda must have died quite young, because Hiram Collins remarried on 7 Dec. 1821.

II. Berrymann Reynolds, b. ca. 1806, was perhaps the oldest son of this second family. He married Nancy Adkins, proven to be the daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Rossett Adkins. (Account Current Book 36, page 497, showing the division of Henry Adkins' estate on 4 Aug. 1875; lists a 1/10 share to Nancy Reynolds, dec'd. Her son, John W. Reynolds was defendant in a chancery suit brought to settle the estate.) Nancy and Berrymann were married 16 Nov. 1829, with neighbor Noton Jefferson as surty. On 18 June 1838, Joseph Reynolds, Sr., sells 50 acres on both sides of Buckhorn Branch of the Tomahawk to Berrymann--"it being the land on which Berrymann Reynolds now resides." (DB 41/325) Berrymann died before 1850, leaving Nancy with six children to raise. They were:

- (a) John Ward Reynolds, b. 1832, m. Rebecca Mahan 22 Dec. 1857
 - (b) Gilmer Reynolds, b. ca. 1837--no further information
 - (c) Julia A. Reynolds, b. ca. 1839, m. J. Wilson Giles 8 May 1870
 - (d) Joseph D. Reynolds, b. ca. 1844, m. Mary S. Smith 7 Jan. 1869
 - (e) Betsy Reynolds, b. ca. 1846, m. James H. Mahan 9 Nov. 1871
 - (f) John Wyatt Reynolds, b. ca. 1847--no further information.
- John Ward Reynolds remained in this county, fathering nine children and adding significantly to the local Reynolds population.

III. Featherston F. (Ford) Reynolds, b. ca. 1808, must be a son of Joseph and Nancy. His name could have come from the Featherston Foard listed in the 1810 Pittsylvania Co. tax list for the northern section of the county. With Ford names so few, I believe he must have been a relative of Nancy Ford Reynolds. Featherston F. Reynolds married Susan F. Napier 11 Feb. 1818, with William A. Napier his surety. (William had married Featherston's sister Damaris the year before. Also listed as witnesses are Anthony and Elizabeth (Napier) Epperson.) Featherston Reynolds remains in the county through 1850, when his children are listed on the census as: Diney, b. 1829; Elizabeth, b. 1832; Nancy, b. 1837; Thomas, b. 1841; Eracha (?), b. 1842; Dolly, b. 1843; William, b. 1846; Malissa, b. 1848; and Lorenza, b. 1850. There are no marriages here for these children, and all are gone from the county by the 1860 census.

IV. Damaris Reynolds, b. ca. 1810, m. William A. Napier 21 Nov. 1827. She is, of course, a daughter proven by deed. Her children were:

- (a) Monroe Napier, b. ca. 1829
- (b) Elizabeth Napier, b. ca. 1831, m. Caleb Adkins, brother to Berrymann Reynolds' wife Nancy, 9 Oct. 1850
- (c) Nancy B. Napier, b. ca. 1833, m. 26 June 1850 Henry Adkins, also brother to Nancy Adkins Reynolds
- (d) Joseph Napier, b. ca. 1837
- (e) Damaris Napier, b. ca. 1840 in Missouri
- (f) Frances Napier, b. ca. 1843
- (g) Thomas Napier, b. ca. 1845
- (h) Zachary Napier, b. ca. 1848.

V. Abraham Reynolds, b. ca. 1812, m. Martha Epperson 18 Dec. 1833. The surety was Featherston F. Reynolds. This connection strongly suggests Abraham's relation to the other members of Joseph's second family. Abraham and wife appear on the 1840 Pittsylvania Co. census but are gone by 1850.

VI. Perry Green Reynolds, b. ca. 1815, m. Cassandra Ann Reynolds Parrish 5 Dec. 1837. Cassandra had married first Abraham P. Parrish 11 Aug. 1832. She was the daughter of Hugh and Elizabeth Mitchell Reynolds. She had one son, Abraham P. Parrish, Jr., by her first husband. The marriage to Perry G. Reynolds produced three daughters and another son:

- (a) Menetia F. Reynolds, b. ca. 1840, m. Price E. Martin 15 Nov. 1853
 - (b) Almira G. Reynolds, b. ca. 1849, m. 4 Oct. 1855 Caleb Adkins, son of Anderson and Nancy E. Reynolds Adkins (see VIII)
 - (c) Serena E. Reynolds, b. ca. 1853
 - (d) Decatur J. Reynolds, b. ca. 1846.
- Perry Green Reynolds died by 16 Dec. 1872, his will being proved on that date. (WB 3/88)

VII. Williamson Reynolds, b. ca. 1817, m. Catherine Oakes 17 Feb. 1834; surety was George Oakes and parent of the bride was listed as William Oakes, Sr. I include Williamson in the family because he lived amid all the Reynolds-Oakes-Adkins families at the right time, is the right age, etc. He and his wife are still in this county in 1840, but they have left by the 1850 census.

VIII. Nancy Booker Reynolds, b. ca. 1819-20, m. Anderson Adkins, son of Henry and Elizabeth Rossett Adkins, 19 Feb. 1836. Her father is listed as Joseph Reynolds, Sr. She is clearly one of the daughters named in the 1835 deed cited earlier. Nancy and Anderson had the following children:

- (a) Ralph Adkins, b. 1837, m. Harriet Ann Reynolds 15 Jan. 1861 (Poor Harriet is called Henry, Henry Ann, and Mary Ann on various documents. She is the daughter of John Philpott Reynolds and Rhoda Smith--see family of John Devin Reynolds in previous article.)
- (b) Betsy Adkins, b. 1839, m. William G. Reynolds, son of John P. and Rhoda Reynolds, 9 June 1858
- (c) Henry G. Adkins, b. ca. 1842; probably died in the Civil War
- (d) Caleb Adkins, b. ca. 1849, m. Almira G. Reynolds, dau. of Perry G. and Cassandra Reynolds (see VI)
- (e) John W. Adkins, b. ca. 1850-1852; unmarried through 1875
- (f) William N. Adkins, b. ca. 1855
- (g) Henry G. Adkins, b. ca. 1859.

Now that I have traced the four Reynolds lines of my friend, Nancy Batterman, I can stop. I hope that this information will help any far-flung descendants who are scattered over the country to "plug in" to the family which goes back to Hugh Reynolds and Mary Neely. When they settled on Tomahawk Creek in the 1760's, they surely never would have dreamed that by the 1990's, there would be ten or more generations with their bloodlines populating a wide portion of Pittsylvania County.