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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR:

Dear Members,

Response to our publication has been very rewarding. We hope you will continue to spread the word that we are a great organization and encourage all our Strickland kin to join us.

We love corresponding with all the members of our family, but urge you to always enclose a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope. Extra stamps are always welcomed, too. This will help us hold down the ever increasing cost of postage.

Thank you for all the material you are submitting for use in future issues of the quarterly. I am glad we have so many enthusiastic members. Please remember to tell us where you found the information you send to us. It is nice to be able to include where it was located when printing a record.

Good luck with your research!

Sincerely,



Nancy Cornell, Editor

STRICKLAND LIBRARY

New Books:

OUR FATHERS' CHILDREN by Stan B. Smith, pub. by J. Grant Stevenson, Provo, Utah, 1977. Paperback, indexed, 63 pp. Donated by Mrs. Ruth Edwards.

(Strickland Library, continued)

STRICKLAND MORE PARTICULARLY THE DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM GEORGE STRICKLAND by Esther Birch Kelso, 1964. Hardback, 252 pp. Donated by Harvey G. Kenney Sr.

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STRICKLAND NECROLOGY OF THE
 OLD FAIRBURN CITY CEMETERY
 Fairburn, Georgia

Names of all people buried in plots with Stricklands are included, because they are assumed to be a part of this family. Separation of plots is indicated by a black line. These plots are not necessarily adjacent to each other.

Cemetery surveyed in 1980 by Nancy Cornell

E. S. STRICKLAND
 Nov. 14, 1834
 Apr. 2, 1900

Double Marker

MARY J. STRICKLAND
 Aug. 12, 1836
 Jan. 21, 1899

GEORGE R. son of
 E. S. & M. J. STRICKLAND
 Apr. 6, 1877
 Feb. 17, 1880

ELIDA J. dau. of
 E. S. & M. J. STRICKLAND
 Dec. 8, 1856
 June 17, 1859

SARAH B. dau. of
 E. S. & M. J. STRICKLAND
 Dec. 3, 1858
 June 29, 1879

FRANCES STRICKLAND CAMP
 Oct. 13, 1828
 Apr. 15, 1893

NATHAN CAMP
 Sept. 25, 1808
 Nov. 25, 1856

(Note: FRANCES STRICKLAND CAMP is the sister of ENOCH SOLOMON STRICKLAND who is listed in the first plot on this page.)

LULA STRICKLAND McCONNELL
 Dec. 6, 1874
 Oct. 21, 1913

GEORGE F. McCONNELL
 Feb. 13, 1871
 Aug. 11, 1941

GEORGIA LOU McCONNELL
 Jan. 25, 1903
 Jan. 9, 1909

(Note: LULA STRICKLAND McCONNELL is the daughter of ENOCH SOLOMON STRICKLAND & MARY J. (McKOWN) STRICKLAND listed in the first plot on this page.)

HENRY STRICKLAND
Mar. 30, 1800
June 20, 1882

WILLIE STRICKLAND ROAN
Mar. 22, 1856
Aug. 11, 1933

Inf. dau. of
H. L. & M. G. ROAN
Oct. 1, 1899

LINA BELLE
Inf. dau. of
L. S. & W. E. ROAN
Dec. 1, 1878
Sept. 6, 1879

BENJAMIN S. ROAN
June 18, 1818
Dec. 23, 1891

Inf. son of
B. H. H. &
G. S. ROAN
b. (illegible)
no death date

HENRY L. ROAN
Jan. 8, 1876
Nov. 6, 1911

EMOLYN T. STRICKLAND
Nov. 5, 1816
Sept. 5, 1884

LEONARD S. ROAN
Feb. 7, 1849
Mar. 23, 1915

WILLIE ELLA
Inf. dau. of
L. S. & W. F. ROAN
Apr. 13, 1886
Sept. 17, 1887

FANNIE BELLE
Dau. of
B. S. & LUCY J. ROAN
May 8, 1858
June 2, 1878

JOHN FLOYD
Son of B. H. H. & G. S.
ROAN
June 21, 1881
Oct. 15, 1883

DR. STEVE HILL ROAN
Nov. 24, 1882
July 23, 1907

Unmarked Grave
beside Dr. Roan

HENRY E. STRICKLAND
June 19, 1867
May 28, 1921

Inf. of
MR. & MRS. HENRY E. STRICKLAND

M. HARBIN STRICKLAND
Mar. 14, 1902
Sept. 1, 1922

ALZIRA WOODDALL STRICKLAND
July 4, 1867
Apr. 24, 1908

JOSEPH M. STRICKLAND
Dec. 3, 1897
Jan. 28, 1919

(The Old Fairburn City Cemetery was originally in Campbell Co.

The area is now a part of Fulton County, Georgia.)

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Dec. 3, 1897
Jan. 28, 1919

ALZIRA WOODDALL STRICKLAND
July 4, 1867
April 24, 1908

M. HARBIN STRICKLAND
March 14, 1902
Sept. 1, 1922

INFANT OF
MR. & MRS.
HENRY E. STRICKLAND
(no dates)

HENRY E. STRICKLAND
June 19, 1867
May 28, 1921

Double Marker

WILEY J. JAMES
Aug. 10, 1834
Oct. 30, 1924
"FATHER"

PATIENCE JAMES
March 14, 1842
Sept. 29, 1935
"MOTHER"

MARY CATHERINE dau. of
WILEY J. & PATIENCE JAMES
May 5, 1877
May 22, 1878

To the Memory of
BEDFORD M. JAMES
March 26, 1836
May 30, 1875

JOHN ANDREW son of
WILEY J. & PATIENCE JAMES
Sept. 17, 1879
Jan. 1, 1881

WILEY COLQUITT JAMES
Jan. 14, 1884
Feb. 27, 1965

WILEY JAMES DODD ✓
April 17, 1905
Jan. 23, 1944

INFANT of
W. A. & LOULA WOODDALL
b. & d. May 14, 1902

Double Marker

WM. T. DODD, M.D. ✓
Nov. 23, 1869
June 11, 1929

FRANKIE E. DODD ✓
Nov. 26, 1873
June 20, 1957

(Note: WILEY JONES JAMES is the son of NANCY ANN STRICKLAND and JOHN P. JAMES; and the grandson of SOLOMON STRICKLAND of Henry County, Georgia.)

Double Marker

JAMES BARTOW JONES
Jan. 3, 1862
Sept. 20, 1938

LUCINDA EVELYN JONES
June 9, 1864
Oct. 2, 1939

(Note: LUCINDA EVELYN JONES is the daughter of ENOCH STRICKLAND whose grave is listed on page 22 of this quarterly.)

RALPH JONES
Aug. 30, 1897
Feb. 2, 1936

ONNIE B. JONES
Nov. 10, 1880
Jan. 4, 1960

(All names in plots where STRICKLANDS were located are included in this survey.)

FRANKLIN COUNTY, GEORGIA
LOOSE PAPERS OF STRICKLANDS

The following undated Will was located at the Georgia Dept. of Archives & History on a microfilm titled "Loose Papers of Stricklands of Franklin County, Georgia."

TO ALL PEOPLE TO WHOME THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME _____ I, HARDY STRICKLAND, do Sende Greeting. Know ye that the said HARDY STRICKLAND of the county of Madison and the state of Georgia for and in consideration of the love and good will and affection which I have and do bear towards my loving son HARDY STRICKLAND of the county of Madison and state of Georgia. Have given and granted unto the said HARDY STRICKLAND, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns all that tract of land containing 100 acres more or less lying partly in Franklin County and partly in Madison County and state of Georgia. Beginning on JOHN FREEMAN'S line on the Big Branch from thence Down the Big Branch to the Creek from thence to the Back line a strait Course.

Also my wife, SUSANA STRICKLAND, is to live on the said CHARLES STRICKLAND land that I give to him During her Natural life or widowhood and to have the privilege of said house and to be maintained upon the profit of said land.

(no signatures)

(On back of document:)

George	450	2"	500
Peter	450	1	700
Nancy	300	2	075
		6	275
Temas (?)	200		
Hannah	150		
Milley	150		
	1700		

Lewesea (?)

(The question marks indicate the handwriting was difficult to read.)

Located on the same microfilm:

Received of DANL M. BYRD & ISAAC STRICKLAND agents for the heirs of ISAAC STRICKLAND, dec'd. \$3.00 for making coffin.
Feb. 10th 1837 WM. A. CHRISTIAN

Many other loose papers are included on this microfilm (Drawer 52 Box 64) which were possibly never recorded in county records.

GEORGIA STRICKLANDS
1830 "Heads of Families"

APPLING COUNTY
James Strickland
John Strickland

BRYAN COUNTY
Peter Strickland

BULLOCH COUNTY
David Stricklin
John Striclin

CAMPBELL COUNTY
Irvin Strickland
Lazarus Strickland
Simon Strickland

DECATUR COUNTY
Niel (Piel) Strickland
Reubin Strickland

EFFINGHAM COUNTY
Henry Strickland

ELBERT COUNTY
Abner Strickland
Joseph Strickland

FRANKLIN COUNTY
Jacob Strickland

GWINNETT COUNTY
Mathew Stricklin
Drury Stricklan
Hardy Stricklan
Henry Stricklan
Simeon Stricklan
Simeon Stricklan
William Stricklan
Willson Stricklan

HALL COUNTY
William Stricklin
Brinkley Strickling
Joseph Strickling
Irvin Strickling

HANCOCK COUNTY
Jeptha Strickland
Thomas Strickland

HENRY COUNTY
Barnabas Strickland
Bedford Strickland
Cynthia Strickland
Drury Strickland
Eli Strickland
Ephriam Strickland
Isaac Strickland
Jesse Strickland
Solomon Strickland
Wiley Strickland

JACKSON COUNTY
Bennett Strickland
Corlor (Carlos)
Strickland
Edmond Strickland
Hardy Strickland
Noah Strickland
Oliver Strickland
Peter H. Strickland
Richard Strickland

JASPER COUNTY
Canery (Caney)
Strickland
E. B. Strickland
Isaac Strickland

LAURENS COUNTY
John Strickland
Josiah Strickland

LIBERTY COUNTY
Abraham Strickland

LOWNDES COUNTY
Archibald Strickland
Simpson Strickland

MADISON COUNTY
Ephraim Strickland
Isaac Strickland
Hardy Strickland Jr.
Hardy Strickland Sr.
Jacob Strickland
Kinchen Strickland
Miller Strickland
Samuel Strickland
Solomon Strickland
Thompson C. Strickland
Willis Strickland
Willis H. Strickland

MARION COUNTY
John Strickland

MERIWETHER COUNTY
Elisha Strickland

MONROE COUNTY
Henry Strickland

NEWTON COUNTY
Ezekiel Strickland

PULASKI COUNTY
James Strickland
Kinsbird Strickland
Mary Strickland
Temperance Strickland

PUTNAM COUNTY
Ezekiel Strickland

RANDOLPH COUNTY
Sampson B. Stricklin

SCREVEN COUNTY
Louis Stricklin

TALBOT COUNTY
Silas Strickland

TATTNALL COUNTY
Aaron Strickland
Aaron B. Strickland
Gadi Strickland
Gabriel Strickland
Henry Strickland
Jacob H. Strickland
Lewis Strickland

THOMAS COUNTY
Alsey Stricklin
John Stricklin
Simeon Stricklin

TROUP COUNTY
Horatio G. Strickland
Larkin Strickland

UPSON COUNTY
Cary (Carey) Strickland
Mary Ann Strickland

WAYNE COUNTY
Aaron Strickland
James Strickland
Joel Strickland

The Strickland "heads of families" will continue in Vol. 1
No. 3 with the 1840 U S Census of Georgia.

OBITUARY

The following obituary was printed in a Starke, FL., newspaper on Feb. 7, 1980. It was submitted by Mrs. S. F. Matthews.

JOHN NEWTON STRICKLAND, 161, died Monday, Feb. 4, following an extended illness. Born and raised in Bradford Co., and the son of the late JASPER & MAGGIE GILLARD STRICKLAND, pioneer residents of Bradford Co., MR. STRICKLAND was self-employed. He was also a member of the First Christian Church of Starke.

Survivors are his wife, MRS. RUBY MAE STRICKLAND, Starke; 1 daughter, MRS. JEWEL CASEY, Hampton Lake; 2 sons, JACK STRICKLAND, Jacksonville, and ARTHUR STRICKLAND, Starke; 16 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9, at the Chapel of Archer-Tanner Funeral Home, with Rev. M. E. Drake, pastor of the Church of God, officiating. Burial will be in Santa Fe Cemetery with Archer-Tanner Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

STRICKLAND DEEDS IN NORTH CAROLINA

Edgecombe County Deed Book D, page 171:

JACOB STRICKLAND of Edgecombe Co., to MARK STRICKLAND.
Dated 25 Nov. 1769; 280 acre plantation whereon said MARK
then dwelled. Wit: EDWARD MOORE, SOLOMON POPE, JOHN TAYLOR.

Edgecombe County Deed Book D, page 172:

JACOB STRICKLAND of Edgecombe Co., to HENRY STRICKLAND.
Dated 28 Nov. 1769; the 530 acre plantation whereon said
HENRY then dwelled, lying on both sides of Tar River...being
a Granville grant to said JACOB STRICKLAND which was dated
15 Oct. 1761. Wit: EDWARD MOORE, HARAY STRICKLAND, JOHN
TAYLOR.

Edgecombe County Deed Book D, page 371:

WILLIAM STRICKLAN of Edgecombe Co. to EDWARD NICHOLSON.
Dated 29 Jan. 1770. 150 acres on the south bank of Tar River
adj. JACOB STRICKLAN. Wit: SOLOMON CARTER, JOHN WOODARD.

Edgecombe County Deed Book D, page 397:

WILLIAM STRICKLAND of Edgecombe Co. to EDWARD MOORE.
Dated 28 June 1770. 285 acres on the south bank of Tar River
adj. JACOB STRICKLAND and said MOORE, as by a Granville grant
to said WILLIAM STRICKLAND dated 26 Apr. 1754; also, his part
of the public grist mill. Wit: JOHN HOXSIE, WILLIAM NELMES,
MOSES STALLIONS.

The North Carolina Archives, 109 E. Jones Street, Raleigh,
N. C. 27611, has microfilms of deeds and wills from most of
the N. C. counties. Many originals of the county records are
also in the Archives. The North Carolina Archives now charges
\$2 for out-of-state researches by mail. The Archives is open
Tuesday through Saturday, but is closed Sunday and Monday.

GEORGIA GENEALOGICAL AID

The Georgia Dept. of Archives and History, 330 Capitol
Ave., Atlanta, GA 30334, has a "Family Exchange Card File."
Anyone may fill out a surname query to be placed in the cen-
tral research library. You may obtain 5 cards by sending a
large, stamped, self-addressed envelope to the above address.

STRICKLAND MARRIAGE BONDS
OF NASH COUNTY, N. C.

STRICKLAND GROOMS

- STRICKLAND, Archd. - Drucy Whitley, 16 Mar 1853
m. 17 Mar 1853 by B. C. Strickland, JP
Wesley Privett (W), M. N. Harrison, Md.
- STRICKLAND, Allison - Litha Ann Braswell, 3 Jan 1846
Davis (x) Barrett, F. M. Taylor, C.C.C.
- STRICKLAND, B. T. - Clary Ann Bunn, 19 Apr 1850
B. C. Strickland
- STRICKLAND, Bennett - Evelina O'Neal, 30 Sept 1840
Bolen Stricklen, B. H. Blount
- STRICKLAND, Berry - Leacy O'Neal, 30 May 1833
Wm. D. Tisdale, B. H. Blount
- STRICKLAND, Bryant - Marery A. Murry, 11 Jan 1850
Allen Brantley
- STRICKLAND, Bryant P. - Thetney O'Neal, 25 Sept 1856
m. 28 Sept 1856 by D. H. Bunn, JP
Henderson (x) Strickland (W),
W. T. Arrington
- STRICKLAND, C. B. - S. F. Taylor, 10 July 1856
m. 10 July 1856 by B. A. Vester, JP
C.M.J. Strickland (W), Wm. T Arrington
- STRICKLAND, C. M. J. - Margaret A.M. Strickland, 14 Aug 1855
m. 30 Aug 1855 by M. H. Deans
Wm. Colson, W. T. Arrington
- STRICKLAND, Carson - Nancy Johnson, 2 Dec 1858
m. 5 Dec 1858 by D. H. Bunn
Bryant P. Strickland (W), B. H. Sorsby
- STRICKLAND, Edward - Sally Williams, 11 Aug 1824
Henry (x) Flowers (W), Hy Blount, C.C.C.
- STRICKLAND, Gray - Martha Hogg, 6 Jan 1864
m. 7 Jan 1864 by B. C. Strickland, JP
James M. (x) Strickland (W), B H Sorsby
- STRICKLAND, Hardy - Sally Strickland, 31 Oct 1833
Gray (x) Morgan (W), John T G Whitfield
- STRICKLAND, Henry O. - Celestia D. Baines, 11 Jan 1859
m. 12 Jan 1859 by Elijah H. Morgan
A. B. Williams (W), B. H. Sorsby

- STRICKLAND, Isaac - Milbry Brantley, 17 Jan 1824
Washington (x) Lewis (W), Hy Blount
- STRICKLAND, James M. - Mahala Ann Strickland, 12 Mar 1860
m. 15 Mar 1860 by M. H. Deans
Rufus (x) Strickland (W),
B. H. Sorsby
- STRICKLAND, Jno R. - Catharine Westray, 10 June 1859
m. 12 June 1859 by Elijah H. Morgan
W. T. Brewer (W), B. H. Sorsby
- STRICKLAND, H. - Elizabeth Rice, 10 Oct 1866
Thos. Westray (W), B. H. Sorsby
- STRICKLAND, Lewis (x) - Mary Ricks, 26 Nov 1866
m. 26 Nov 1866 by A B Williams, JP
Washington Stone (W), B. H. Sorsby
- STRICKLAND, Linson - Harriet Bryant, 10 Aug 1841
George Hagwood (W), B. H. Blount
- STRICKLAND, Mark - Polly Williams, 21 Mar 1815
Green (x) Henry (W),
Thos. J. Armstrong
- STRICKLAND, Mark - Ceilah Taylor, 22 Mar 1825
Alsey Strickland (W), B. H. Blount
- STRICKLAND, Mark - Polly Williams, 19 Nov 1841
A. B. Bains, Jr.
- STRICKLAND, Matthew - Elizabeth Strickland, 22 Dec 1856
m. 23 Dec 1856 by W. H. Edwards, MG
Micajah (x) Perry (W),
W. T. Arrington
- STRICKLAND, Osborne - Zilla Ann Sutton, 3 Aug 1842
Wm. Frazier (W), Saml Brown
- STRICKLAND, Ousburn - Mary Williams, 24 June 1856
(Geo. N. Lewis)
- STRICKLAND, Reddin - Elizabeth H. Wilder, 3 Apr 1852
Thos. F. (x) Crickmore (W),
G. W. Ward
- STRICKLAND, Simon - Lila May Hagwood, 10 Feb 1859
m. 13 Feb 1859 by Mc Brantley, JP
Joseph R. Lee, B. H. Sorsby
- STRICKLAND, Theophilous - Martha Bryant, 21 May 1836
John Smith, A. Whitfield
- STRICKLAND, Warren - Elizabeth Ferrill, 25 July 1845
Henry Ferrell, Francis M Taylor, CCC

- STRICKLAND, Watson - Martha Jane Murray, 13 Apr 1848
Allen Brantley
- STRICKLAND, W. D. - Amica Hammonds, 11 Nov 1848
Wm. H. Smith
- STRICKLAND, W. D. - Charity Medlin, 19 Mar 1867
L. R. Whitley
- STRICKLAND, Wm. - Sally Crowell, 5 June 1851
m. 5 June 1851 by Marmaduke Ricks, JP
A. B. Baines, Jno. W. Bryant
- STRICKLAND, Wm. B. - Lucy F. Bass, 7 Apr 1866
Ransom Whitley, B. H. Sorsby
m. 8 Apr 1866 by B. C. Strickland
- STRICKLAND, Wm. D. - Jency Bryant, 12 Dec 1826
Bolen Stricklen, B. H. Blount
- STRICKLAND, Wm. Y. D. - Maria H. Ricks, 29 Apr 1850
Theo H. Scott
- STRICKLAND, Wright - Margy A. Ferrell, 4 Oct 1855
m. 4 Oct 1855 by A. H. Denton, JP
Iry E. (x) Williams, E. P. Whitfield
- STRICKLIN, Bolen - Martha Trignith, 12 Mar 1835
Pilgrim (x) Williams, E. P. Whitfield

STRICKLAND BRIDES OF NASH COUNTY IN NEXT ISSUE

THUMBNAIL SKETCH OF A FAMOUS STRICKLAND

WILLIAM STRICKLAND, an architect, was born about 1787 in Philadelphia, PA, the son of John Strickland. Among the buildings he designed during his lifetime were the Masonic Temple (first major building in Philadelphia, 1810); the first U. S. Custom House (Philadelphia, 1819); and the Bank of the United States (1824). He died April 6, 1854, and is buried beneath the Tennessee Capitol in Nashville, Tennessee.

DIGGING FOR ROOTS
A HAIR-RAISING EXPERIENCE

One of our members has discovered genealogy can be a dangerous game. R. G. Pyle, a retired meteorologist living in Shreveport, LA., had just begun the quest for his ancestors when his search led him in the path of a killer tornado. The following story of his hair-raising experience was published in "The Shreveport Times" on April 15, 1979.

"Sometimes looking for your roots can be a real hair-raising experience. Just ask R. G. Pyle.

In the North Texas town of Petrolia Tuesday, looking for the burial site of his ancestors, Pyle was one of thousands left stunned by the savage tornado which devastated nearby Wichita Falls. But the Shreveport resident is thankful he's not one of the 58 left dead.

Leaning against his damaged Ford stationwagon - now parked at his Clingman Drive home - Pyle recounts how the killer twister, found him just east of Wichita Falls.

Headed west toward Wichita Falls to find a vacant motel, Pyle said he heard reports of the oncoming storm, but the retired weather forecaster could never have predicted what happened next.

Stopping at a service station then a church to watch the storm approach Wichita Falls, Pyle decided that if he headed south he would be able to circumvent the twister.

'When I heard it was coming across town, I figured it would go northeast, toward the church and the little gas station where I had stopped. So I turned and headed south, trying to go around it. But I didn't make it.'

The storm cut him off just down the road.

Calling attention to his battered car and bruised right leg, Pyle tells how he viewed the approaching storm: 'I didn't really see it. I was hit with a wall of water, small hail then larger hail, then I knew I was in it. I stopped the car in its tracks covered my face and prayed for the best.'

His prayers were answered.

Bricks and lumber brought by the storm from Wichita Falls, severely damaged the front of Pyle's car and shattered the windshield. Pieces of 4 by 4 crashed through both passenger windows and Pyle was pelted with small debris. His glasses were broken and his car was violently shaken by high winds. But he survived.

'By the time I reached for my suitcase to cover my face, it was over,' Pyle recalls. 'That's when I realized that I had my foot pressing against the brake peddle, although the ignition was turned off.'

When the storm passed, Pyle saw houses to the front and rear severely damaged by the twister. The roof was taken from a residence only a few yards from where he sat huddled in his car.

Backtracking his pre-storm route, Pyle said if he had stayed at the church or the service station he would have been spared the ordeal. 'That section was untouched,' he said. 'But I can't complain too much. I lived through it.'

Passing neighbors now stop regularly to hear Pyle's survival tale and view the damaged car. As they do they can't help but notice a bumper sticker on rear of the vehicle: "I found it." And if they didn't know what the slogan meant before, they and their shaken neighbor certainly do now."

-by Kerry Garland
of The Times Staff

Thank you, R. G. Pyle, for sharing your exciting event with us.

MEMBERS: Please share newspaper articles with us. If it is newsworthy enough to be printed in the newspaper, it is important enough to reprint in our quarterly.

STRICKLAND WILLS IN GEORGIA

From 1804 through 1859, there are only 17 known and recorded Strickland wills in Georgia. 5 of these were printed in Vol. 1 No. 1; 4 of these wills are printed in this issue; and the remaining 8 wills will be printed in the next 2 issues of the quarterly. *Layman in Floyd Co., Rome, Ga.*

Franklin County Ordinary's Minutes 1824-1849, page 68a:

JACOB STRICKLAND

S. 11/5/1841 Pr. 1/1842

wife: Clarissa

sons: Isaac; Matthew Talbot; Jacob Sanders; Jesse White

daughters: Mary Mahulda; Eliza Caroline; Sarah Jane

exec-brother: Hardy Strickland

slaves: Tom; Thornton; Marriah; Louisa; Henson; Hiram;

Alfred; Jiny; Winney; Martha; Mary; Shambo; Isam;

Fanny & her youngest child Missouri

wit: Charles Strickland; Hardy Strickland Jr.; William C. Jolly

Mentions: "For the support of my wife, Clarissa, her two children, and such others of my children as shall remain with her, I leave in the hands of my Executors the following..."

(Note: Jacob Strickland married (1) his cousin, Elizabeth "Betsy" Strickland, dau. of Isaac & Mary Hargrove Strickland, on Dec. 22, 1825 in Madison County, GA. Jacob married (2) Clarissa White on Jan. 24, 1839 in Jackson County, GA. After Jacob's death, Clarissa married Walton Harris, an attorney, in Franklin Co, GA. in 1845. This Jacob Strickland is believed to be the son of the Jacob Strickland whose will is abstracted on page 33 from Elbert Co, GA.)

Elbert County Georgia Will Book V2 "1803-1806," page 15:

JACOB STRICKLAND S. 1/11/1804 Pr. 6/12/1804

wife: Elizabeth
 children: "all my lawful born heirs" (not named)
 exec: "my loving wife, Elizabeth Strickland"; William
 Sanders; Isaac Strickland
 wit: Jacob McElro; H. Strickland

(Note: Jacob Strickland m. Elizabeth Jones Sanders, widow of
 Hardy Sanders, on Feb. 22, 1798, in Oglethorpe Co., GA.)

Madison County Georgia Will Book A-B, page 66:

SOLOMON STRICKLAND S. 3/16/1853 Pr. 3/18/1854

wife: Mary Strickland
 sons: Crawford N. Strickland; Ephram Strickland
 daughter: Malinda White, wife of William A. White
 exec: son, Crawford N. Strickland; son-in-law, William
 White
 slaves: Jack; Millie; Bill; Mary; Jeffery; Sarah & her
 child Isabelle; Tom; Hudah; Jerry
 wit: James C. Freeman; John R. Bunce; Rufus M. Minny

(Note: Solomon Strickland m. Mary "Polly" Smith on 3 Oct. 1818
 in Madison County, GA.)

Madison County Georgia Will Book A-B, page 120:

NANCY STRICKLAND S. 9/22/1857 Pr. 10/8/1857

sons: James E. Strickland; Gains Strickland; William
 Strickland
 daughters: Mary Reeves, formerly Mary Strickland; Sophia
 Porterfield, formerly Sophia Strickland; Nancy
 Johnson, formerly Nancy Strickland; Sarah H.
 Christian, formerly Sarah H. Strickland
 gr-children: Zachariah Strickland, son of William Strick-
 land; Nancy P. Strickland, Mary E. Strickland, &
 Ephraim Strickland, "children of my son, Gains
 Strickland"
 exec: son, James E. Strickland
 wit: James Daniel Jr.; Samuel H. Ware; Jeremiah P. R____;
 James S. Gholston

(Note: Nancy Strickland was the Nancy Daniels who married
 Ephraim Strickland and lived near Danielsville, GA. Ephraim,
 b. 1789-d. 1856, was the son of Solomon & Amy Pace Strickland
 of Madison County, Georgia.)

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GEORGIA'S COUNTIES

by Nancy J. Cornell

Georgia has more counties per population than any other state in the union. If the size of a state were determined by the number of counties within its boundaries, Georgia would be considered the second largest state (159 counties). Texas, of course, is the largest (254 counties).

Georgia's first eight counties were located along the Atlantic coastline and the South Carolina border. These counties were Burke, Camden, Chatham, Effingham, Glynn, Liberty, Richmond and Wilkes. They were created in 1777 by the first constitution of the new state of Georgia. Some of this area had already been settled for many years by early colonists, but the creation of state and county governments drew settlers from the bordering states of North Carolina and South Carolina.

The early Georgia counties were too large to enable the residents to easily reach the county seat. Travel was difficult due to bad roads and poor transportation. Gradually the larger counties were divided to make county seats more accessible. Sections were cut off and added to new counties as land was ceded by the Creek and Cherokee Indians. Occasionally, counties were divided due to incompatibility of one section with another section of a county. By the time of the War Between the States, the number of counties had multiplied to 132.

Georgia's counties are divided into Militia Districts based upon territory and population. In the early years, each district formed a militia unit for the protection of its citizens. They now primarily serve as election precincts.

In 1789 an act of the legislature created the Inferior County Court. This court served as a civil and, in some cases, a criminal court; a court of ordinary; and served as the board for the administration of county affairs. The Inferior Court was abolished in 1868 when a Court of Ordinary was established, and Boards of Commissioners were set up in each county. Many duties of the old Inferior Court were given to the Court of Ordinary while the Board of Commissioners became the administrator of county affairs.

The Georgia Constitution provided for the establishment of 5 primary courts--the Supreme, Appellate, Superior, Ordinary and Justice of the Peace. Numerous other courts of varying degrees of jurisdiction were also provided. The courts whose records are of the most importance to genealogists are the Superior and Ordinary Courts of each county.

The Clerk of Superior Court is elected for a term of 4 years. He not only can serve as Superior Court Clerk, but is also eligible to serve as clerk of the city court of his residence. In

actuality, the clerk is the records keeper of the Superior and City Courts. Every deed, bill of sale, all minutes and verdicts of civil and criminal cases are kept by the clerk.

The Court of Ordinary is presided over by the Ordinary, an elected official for a term of 4 years. This court is responsible for the probate of wills; granting or revoking letters of testament and administration; the sale of property and distribution of estates of deceased persons; the appointment and removal of guardians of minors or persons of unsound mind; traffic cases not requiring a jury trial; issuing permits to carry firearms; issuing marriage licenses and certificates of marriage. The Ordinary is responsible for recording wills filed for probate; bonds furnished by executors, administrators and guardians; recording appraisals and inventories, and sales of estates; and is responsible for all state and county elections.

Many counties in Georgia have excellent county records which include all or most of the records from the creation of the county. In some counties these records are indexed, making research an easier task. Some counties lost records due to inefficient clerks who recorded transactions on loose papers rather than in books. Other counties lost records when courthouses burned. Records were occasionally destroyed by natural disasters, such as floods and tornadoes. Many records have been lost due to overzealous family researchers who tore desired records from the original books.

Most of the Georgia County records have been microfilmed and are available to researchers at the Georgia Department of Archives and History located at 330 Capitol Avenue, S E, Atlanta, Georgia 30334 (adjacent to Interstate 20). A few Georgia counties did not allow their records to be microfilmed.

The following is a list of Georgia county courthouses which were destroyed by fires, floods, tornadoes and various other storms. This list was printed in Kenneth Thomas' column, "Genealogy" in the Atlanta Journal on Feb. 18, 1979, and Feb. 25, 1979; and is also available at the Georgia Archives.

- BAKER COUNTY: Flood - 1925, 1929
- BALDWIN COUNTY: Fire - 1861 (only deeds lost)
- BARTOW COUNTY: Originally Cass County. Courthouse destroyed by enemy fire during Civil War, 1860s.
- BULLOCH COUNTY: Fire - 1864
- BURKE COUNTY: Fire - 1825, 1856
- ✓ CALHOUN COUNTY: Fire - 1888, 1920
- ✓ CARROLL COUNTY: Fire - 1927
- CHARLTON COUNTY: County site then at Traders Hill; destroyed by fire in 1877. Present site - Fire Feb 1928
- CHEROKEE COUNTY: Fire - 1865, 1928
- ✓ CLAYTON COUNTY: Fire - 1864
- CLINCH COUNTY: Fire - 1856, 1867
- ✓ COBB COUNTY: Fire - 1864
- COFFEE COUNTY: Fire - 1898, 1938
- COLQUIT COUNTY: Fire - 1881
- CRAWFORD COUNTY: Fire - 1829

- DADE COUNTY: Fire - 1865, 1895
 DEKALB COUNTY: Fire - 1842, 1898
 DOOLY COUNTY: Fire - 1847
 DOUGLAS COUNTY: Fire - 1896, 1957
 EARLY COUNTY: Fire - 1896
 ECHOLS COUNTY: Fire - 1897
 EMANUEL COUNTY: Fire - 1841, 1855, 1857, 1919, 1938
 GLYNN COUNTY: Storm - 1896
 FORSYTH COUNTY: Fire - 1973
 GORDON COUNTY: Storm - 1888
 GREENE COUNTY: Town burned by Indians in 1787.
 ✓ GWINNETT COUNTY: Fire - 1871
 HABERSHAM COUNTY: Fire - 1856. Blown up in 1898.
 HALL COUNTY: Fire - 1851, 1882. Tornado in 1936.
 HARRIS COUNTY: Set on fire by Federal troops in 1865, quickly extinguished.
 HART COUNTY: Fire - 1900. Courthouse burned in 1967; clerk & Ordinary's offices in adjacent building.
 ✓ HEARD COUNTY: Fire - 1824. Some records destroyed by Sherman's men.
 JENKINS COUNTY: Fire - 1919
 LEE COUNTY: Fire - 1856. County seat then Starkville. Fire at Leesburg in 1872.
 LOWNDES COUNTY: Fire - 1858, 1869
 MACON COUNTY: Fire - 1857
 MARION COUNTY: Fire - 1845
 MCINTOSH COUNTY: Fire - 1864, 1872, 1931
 MERIWETHER COUNTY: Cyclone - March 3, 1893. Fire - 1976, no loss to records.
 MILLER COUNTY: Fire - 1873
 MITCHELL COUNTY: Fire - 1869
 MUSCOGEE COUNTY: Fire - 1838 (all lost)
 NEWTON COUNTY: Fire - 1883
 PICKENS COUNTY: Fire - 1947
 PIERCE COUNTY: Fire - 1875
 QUITMAN COUNTY: Fire - 1920
 SCREVEN COUNTY: Fire - 1860s, 1896
 STEWART COUNTY: Fire - 1922 (no loss)
 TALBOT COUNTY: Fire - 1890 (no loss)
 TELFAIR COUNTY: Fire in the early 1900s
 THOMAS COUNTY: Damaged by storm in 1849 (no loss)
 TOOMBS COUNTY: Fire - 1919
 TROUP COUNTY: Fire on Nov. 4, 1936
 TWIGGS COUNTY: Fire - 1901 (total loss)
 UNION COUNTY: Fire - 1859
 WALKER COUNTY: Fire - 1883
 WARE COUNTY: Fire - 1854
 WARREN COUNTY: Fire - 1909 (no loss)
 WASHINGTON COUNTY: Fire - 1855 (total loss), 1864 (Sherman, some records saved)
 WEBSTER COUNTY: Fire - 1914
 WHEELER COUNTY: Fire - 1916
 WHITFIELD COUNTY: Fire - 1864
 ✓ WILKES COUNTY: Fire - 1958 (no major loss)
 WILKINSON COUNTY: Fire - 1829, 1854, 1864, 1924 (total loss)
 WORTH COUNTY: Fire - 1879, 1893

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Chart compiled by:
R. G. Pyle Jr.
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16 SAMUEL PYLE

8 DAVID M. PYLE

b. 25 Dec 1820

p.b. GA

4 THEOPHELIUS WALTER PYLE m. 26 Dec 1850

b. 9 Feb 1868 d. 25 Dec 1915

p.b. Alamance, Cass Co, TX Cass Co, TX

m. 19 July 1891

d. 21 Apr 1956

(JINCY)

17 JANE ROSSER

9 NANCY E. DODD

b. Feb 1834

p.b. GA

d. Nov 1929

2 RAYBURN G PYLE SR

b. 5 Jan 1895

p.b. Atlanta, Cass Co, TX

m. 11 Feb 1917

d. 17 Nov 1974

p.d. Cass Co, TX

18 JAMES E. DODD

19 SABRINA CLECKLER

20

10 DR ROBT. FRANK SLOAN

b. 10 Mar 1832

p.b. NC

m. 4 Apr 1867

d. 25 Jan 1892

p.d. Cass Co, TX

5 JENNIE RAYBURN SLOAN

b. 20 Sept 1868

p.b. Cass Co, TX

d. 1 Mar 1948

p.d. Atlanta, Cass Co, TX

22 CHAS. GRAHAM

11 ANNIE ELIZA GRAHAM

b. 4 Nov 1839

p.b. TN

d. 20 June 1930

p.d. Cass Co, TX

1 RAYBURN G PYLE JR

b. 10 Nov 1917

p.b. Atlanta, Cass Co, TX

m. 11 June 1942

23 JANE RAYBURN

24 LARKIN STRICKLAND

12 DAVID LOYD STRICKLAND

b. 20 Mar 1833

p.b. Troup Co, GA

m. 14 Nov 1865

d. 30 Apr 1893

p.d. Chambers Co, AL

6 JAMES EDGAR

STRICKLAND

b. 31 Dec 1869

p.b. Strawberry Plains,

TX

m. 20 Feb 1890

d. 10 Feb 1943

p.d. Naples, Morris Co, TX

25 MARGARETT STEWART

3 BESSIE MAUD STRICKLAND

b. 12 Nov 1893

p.b. Chambers Co, AL

d. 8 Feb 1952

p.d. Atlanta, Cass Co, TX

13 MARTHA M. CAUSSET

b. 23 Apr 1840 TN

d. 1 Aug 1901

p.d. Chambers Co, AL

14 ALEXANDER A PRICE

b. Oct 1849 GA, m. 1873, d. 1927

Clay Co, TX

7 LURA ALEXANDER PETRONIA PRICE

b. 6 Mar 1874 Troup Co, GA

d. 20 Oct 1943 Morris Co, TX

15 MARTHA M. PARKER

b. 16 Nov 1853 GA

d. 27 Aug 1910 Petronia Clay Co, TX

RUBY MILLIE FOOTE

spouse of No. 1

QUARTERLY PROJECT: "BIBLE RECORDS"

Get out your "Sherlock Holmes" hat and begin searching for old Family Bibles. As our title indicates, this quarter's project is "Bible Records." We will accept any Bible records, but are primarily interested in Strickland and allied families. Those records not pertaining to our society will be placed in the Georgia Dept. of Archives & History, or in the Archives of the state where the family resided. Please check with relatives for any Bible records. Bible records are of utmost importance to the genealogist, and are the records most often lost or destroyed. We must help to preserve these records for present and future family genealogists.

The following steps are important in obtaining copies of family pages from a Bible:

1. Make a copy (zerox) of the Title page of the Bible which gives the date of publication.
2. Make a clear copy (zerox) of the pages containing handwritten family information. If the names & dates are not clear, do not attempt to trace over the writing to make it clearer. DO write or type this information on a separate sheet.
3. Check for any loose papers stored for safe keeping in the Bible. Newspaper obituaries, wedding invitations & other important genealogical information can often be found in old Bibles. Zerox these on a separate page, and write on the back the family surname and publishing date of the Bible.
4. It is not necessary, but always makes zerox copies of records more valuable if they are notarized.

Check with friends and relatives, and gather as many Bible records as possible to help us get our quarterly projects off to a good start. After all, we are a "research group"--and this includes YOU!

REPORT FROM BOOK/FILM COMMITTEE:

The Book/Film Committee was formed to compile a record or catalogue of books and films which contain STRICKLAND and allied family genealogical and/or historical information. We urge all members, when possible, photocopy such info. and send to the Strickland Library. Please note on the copy margin: author, book title, date published, and where you found the book. If unable to send a photocopy (it can get expensive), please note the above information, including applicable page numbers, and send a list of these references to me for cataloguing. We hope this catalogue will eventually contain all known printed sources of genealogical material on Strickland and allied families. This will be a valuable index for all members of the Strickland family.

-LYLE C. SHARP
Chairman, Book/Film Com.
32241 Kalorama
Pueblo, CO 81006

DO YOU KNOWSTRICKLAND

Mrs. Evylan Strickland Morrow, 128 S. Lakeshore Dr., Carrollton, GA 30117, is searching for parents of OSBURN STRICKLAND (her gr. grandfather) who was b. in N.C. in 1810, & m. JANE RAMSEY ca. 1834. OSBURN was the father of WM. WARREN STRICKLAND (b. 6 Nov 1842 in Henry Co, GA, d. 29 Mar 1919 in Carroll Co, GA). WM. WARREN STRICKLAND m. ELIZABETH MORROW on 8 Oct 1865 in Spalding Co, GA.

STRICKLAND

Lewis W. Griffin, 1590 Sacramento St. #5, San Francisco, CA. 94109, seeks information on NANCY STRICKLAND, widow of JULIUS STRICKLAND, who appeared on the 1820 Census of Jackson Co, GA. She appeared on the Tax Digests there until the mid-1820's, then may have moved west to Fayette, Troup, Heard or nearby GA counties. Probate records are sought. Her 7 sons included: LARKIN b. 1799; CALVIN b. 1803; HORATIO GATES b. 1805; and LOYD b. 1807. Three younger sons are unidentified.

BAKER

Mrs. W. E. Nickels, ,707 Brookhaven Dr., Austin, Texas 78704; Who were the parents of MARY BAKER who m. KINCHEN STRICKLAND ca. 1800 in North Carolina, probably Guilford Co? Two of MARY's grandsons were named JASPER BAKER STRICKLAND. Were they named for MARY's father?

EVERS-STRICKLAND

Mrs. Stella Dampier, 303 S. E. 21st Street, Gainesville, FL. 32601; JAMES RAYFORD STRICKLAND (b. 1784) m. ASENATH EVERS (a Cherokee Indian, baptised & given the Biblical name Asenath, by the Methodist missionaries). Who were the parents of ASENATH EVERS? Who were the parents of JAMES RAYFORD STRICKLAND?

DAMPIER

Mrs. Stella Dampier, 303 S. E. 21st St., Gainesville, FL. 32601; JAMES DAMPIER (b. 1790) son of DANIEL DAMPIER, R. S., m. Mrs. MARTHA BEVILL on June 1, 1819. JAMES DAMPIER had one son named STEPHEN (b. 1822) who m. ELIZABETH MOORE of Alachua Co, FL, in 1848. Need information on additional sons or daus. of JAMES DAMPIER.

STRICKLAND

R. L. Guffin, 1439 49th Ave. E., Tuscaloosa, AL. 35404; Needs parents of WILLIAM ALEXANDER STRICKLAND who was born in GA in the early 1840's, & served in the Confederate Army. WM. m. MARY "POLLY" ANN SANDERS after the war & they lived in the Elbert, Madison & Oglethorpe area where they raised a large family.

Please print or type queries on a separate sheet of paper, never put them in the body of a letter. Thank you. NJC.

STRICKLAND PUBLICITY

Complimentary copies of STRICKLAND SCENE were sent to a number of people who write genealogical columns in various newspapers. The following columnists sent us copies of their columns.

Out on a limb

**La Viece
Smallwood**

Times-Union Special Writer



(Send questions about family history with a stamped, self-addressed No. 10 envelope to Mrs. La Viece Smallwood, c/o The Style Department, The Florida Times Union/Jacksonville Journal, Box 1949-F, Jacksonville 32231. As many questions as possible will be answered in this column.)

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If you are a member of the Strickland family clan and seek to know more of your ancestry, contact Strickland Research Inc., 1661 Lauranceau Way, Riverdale, Ga. 30296. The organization has been recently created to compile all available records on Stricklands and a library to house collected records has been established. Plans to keep the scattered Strickland family informed has been established through the first issue of a quarterly, Strickland Scene. Included will be compiled and abstracted records, stories relating to families of the past and present, family histories and free queries.

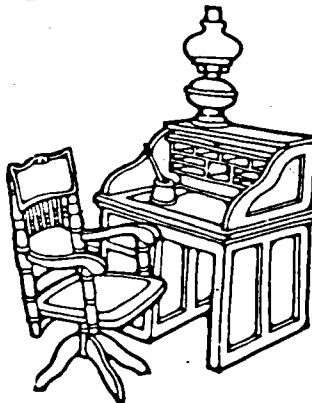
Membership dues are \$2 per year and the quarterly subscriptions are \$8, annually beginning with the first issue of each volume.

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CASS COUNTY COUSINS

**'Strickland
Scene'
Received**



By REBA BYRD

I have received Vol. 1, No. 1 of the "Strickland Scene". This is a quarterly publication for and about the Strickland family. Each issue will contain such records as abstracts of wills, deeds, census records, tax digests, location of cemeteries, tombstone inscriptions, family stories and histories and queries. This is published by Strickland Research, Inc., 1661 Lauranceae Way, Riverdale, Georgia, 30296, Nancy Cornell, editor. Subscription rates are \$8 per year. This issue is just chock full of data. When your local Strickland descendants have exhausted your Cass County data, I feel sure you could find help in this publication.

Send queries to Reba Byrd, 309 W. Tipton St., Atlanta, Tx., 75551 or call 796-2357.