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THE YEARS 1830-1838



1 June 1830 - FIFTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: **North Carolina**

Census Day: 1 June 1830, Columns for:
Free white Males / Females, number under 5
Free white Males / Females, number 5-10
Free white Males / Females, number 10-15
Free white Males / Females, number 15-20
Free white Males / Females, number 20-30
Free white Males / Females, number 30-40
Free white Males / Females, number 40-50
Free white Males / Females, number 50-60
Free white Males / Females, number 60-70
Free white Males / Females, number 70-80
Free white Males / Females, number 80-90
Free white Males / Females, number 90-100
Free white Males / Females, number 100 and older
Number of Male / Female slaves, under 10
Number of Male / Female slaves, 10-24
Number of Male / Female slaves, 24-36
Number of Male / Female slaves, 36-55
Number of Male / Female slaves, 55-100
Number of Male / Female slaves, 100 and older
Number of Free colored Males / Females, under 10
Number of Free colored Males / Females, 10-24
Number of Free colored Males / Females, 24-36
Number of Free colored Males / Females, 36-55
Number of Free colored Males / Females, 55-100
Number of Free colored Males / Females, 100 and older
Number of white persons who are deaf and dumb, under age 14
Number of white persons who are deaf and dumb, 14-25
Number of white persons who are deaf and dumb, 25 and older
Number of white persons who are blind
Number of white persons who are Aliens (foreigners not naturalized)
Number of slaves and colored persons who are deaf and dumb, under age 14
Number of slaves and colored persons who are deaf and dumb, 14-25
Number of slaves and colored persons who are deaf and dumb, 25 and older
Number of slaves and colored persons who are blind

BURKE COUNTY

William White

2 males under 5
1 male 5-10
1 male 30-40
2 females 5-10
1 female 20-30

(Source: *Ancestry.com, Burke County NC, microfilm M19-118, image 5-6/180*)

Joshua White

1 male under 5
1 male 5-10

1 male 20-30
 1 male 60-70
 2 females under 5
 1 female 15-20
 1 female 20-30
 1 female 60-70

(Source: *Ancestry.com, Burke County NC, microfilm M19-118, image 19-20/180*)

Edwin White

2 males under 5
 1 male 20-30
 2 females under 5
 1 female 5-10
 1 female 20-30

Jacob White

2 males under 5
 1 male 20-30
 1 male 70-80
 1 female 15-20
 1 female 20-30
 1 female 60-70

John White

1 male under 5
 1 male 15-20
 1 male 40-50
 3 female under 5
 2 female 10-15
 1 female 15-20
 1 female 30-40

John White

1 male under 5
 3 males 5-10
 1 male 10-15
 1 male 30-40
 1 female 30-40

(Source: *Ancestry.com, Burke County NC, microfilm M19-118, image 25-26/180*)

Mary Baker

1 male under 5
 1 male 5-10
 1 male 10-15
 1 male 15-20
 2 females 10-15
 1 female 30-40

Peter Baker

1 male under 5
 1 male 10-15
 1 male 15-20

1 male 40-50
 1 female under 5
 1 female 5-10
 1 female 20-30
 1 female 40-50

(Source: *Ancestry.com, Burke County NC, microfilm M19-118, image 27-28/180*)

Joseph Baker

1 male under 5
 1 male 5-10
 3 males 10-15
 1 male 15-20
 1 male 40-50
 1 female under 5
 1 female 10-15
 1 female 15-20
 1 female 40-50
 1 female 40-50

(Source: *Ancestry.com, Burke County NC, microfilm M19-118, image 37-38/180*)

Nancy Baker

2 females 30-40
 1 female 70-80
 5 male slaves, under 10
 5 male slaves, 10-24
 1 male slave, 24-36
 2 female slaves, under 10
 5 female slaves, 10-24
 1 female slave, 24-36
 1 female slave, 55-100

(Source: *Ancestry.com, Burke County NC, microfilm M19-118, image 49-50/180*)

Reuben Baker

1 male under 5
 1 male 15-20
 1 male 40-50
 1 female under 5
 1 female 15-20
 1 female 40-50

(Source: *Ancestry.com, Burke County NC, microfilm M19-118, image 51-52/180*)

Henry Baker

1 male 15-20
 1 male 50-60
 1 female 5-10
 2 female 10-15
 1 female 15-20
 1 female 50-60

(Source: *Ancestry.com, Burke County NC, microfilm M19-118, image 103-104/180*)

William Baily

1 male 20-30
 1 female under 5
 1 female 20-30

(Source: *Ancestry.com, Burke County NC, microfilm M19-118, image 107-108/180*)

John Baker

2 males under 5
 1 male 5-10
 1 male 10-15
 1 male 50-60
 2 females under 5
 1 female 5-10
 1 female 10-15
 2 females 15-20
 2 females 20-30
 1 female 40-50

(Source: *Ancestry.com, Burke County NC, microfilm M19-118, image 115-116/180*)

Gardner White

1 male under 5
 1 male 10-15
 1 male 15-20
 1 male 20-30
 1 male 50-60
 1 female 5-10
 1 female 10-15
 1 female 30-40

(Source: *Ancestry.com, Burke County NC, microfilm M19-118, image 155-156/180*)

Bedford Wiseman

2 males under 5
 1 male 5-10
 2 males 10-15
 1 male 15-20
 1 male 20-30
 1 female under 5
 1 female 5-10
 1 female 20-30
 1 female 40-50

Alexander Wiseman

1 male under 5
 1 male 10-15
 1 male 15-20
 1 female under 5
 1 female 15-20
 1 female 20-30
 1 female 50-60

(Source: *Ancestry.com, Burke County NC, microfilm M19-118, image 159-160/180*)

David Baker

1 male under 5
 1 male 20-30
 1 female 15-20

Rubin Young

2 males 5-10
 1 male 20-30
 1 female under 5

(Source: *Ancestry.com, Burke County NC, microfilm M19-118, image 169-170/180*)

**Rubin McKinney**

1 male 15-20
 1 female 15-20

(Source: *Ancestry.com, Burke County NC, microfilm M19-118, image 173-174/180*)

[note: the entries for collateral families such as the Buchanan family are not complete]

18 December 1830 – LAND GRANT: **David Baker**, 50 acres in **Burke County**, North Carolina, on the waters of the Toe River. (*North Carolina Land Grants, North Carolina Archives, File No. 4802, Grant # 5458, Entry # 9215, 28 March 1827*).

18 December 1830 – LAND GRANT: **David D. Baker**, 50 acres in **Burke County**, North Carolina, on the waters of Cane Creek. (*North Carolina Land Grants, North Carolina Archives, File No. 4804, Grant # 5460, Entry # 9555, 25 March 1828*).

18 December 1830 – LAND GRANT: **David Baker**, 50 acres in **Burke County**, North Carolina, on the waters of Cane Creek. (*North Carolina Land Grants, North Carolina Archives, File No. 4843, Grant # 5499, Entry # 9454, 29 January 1828*).

3 October 1831 – LAND GRANT [ENTRY DATE]: **Bedford Wiseman**, 20 acres in **Burke County**, North Carolina, on the waters of the Toe River. (*North Carolina Land Grants, North Carolina Archives, File No. 0650, Entry # 11,380*).

c1832 – MARRIAGE: **Sophia Baker** and Reuben Young. (Kathy Gunter Sullivan, CG, Research Report: Sophia Baker, 27 January 2007).

Kathy Gunter Sullivan, a descendant of Reuben Young, reports that the exact date of Sophia Baker's marriage to Reuben Young, a widower with three children (Greenberry Wilson Young (1822-1898), Moses Young (1824-1906), and Mary Young (c1826-bef 1845)), is unknown but is presumed to be prior to the 1832 birth of their first

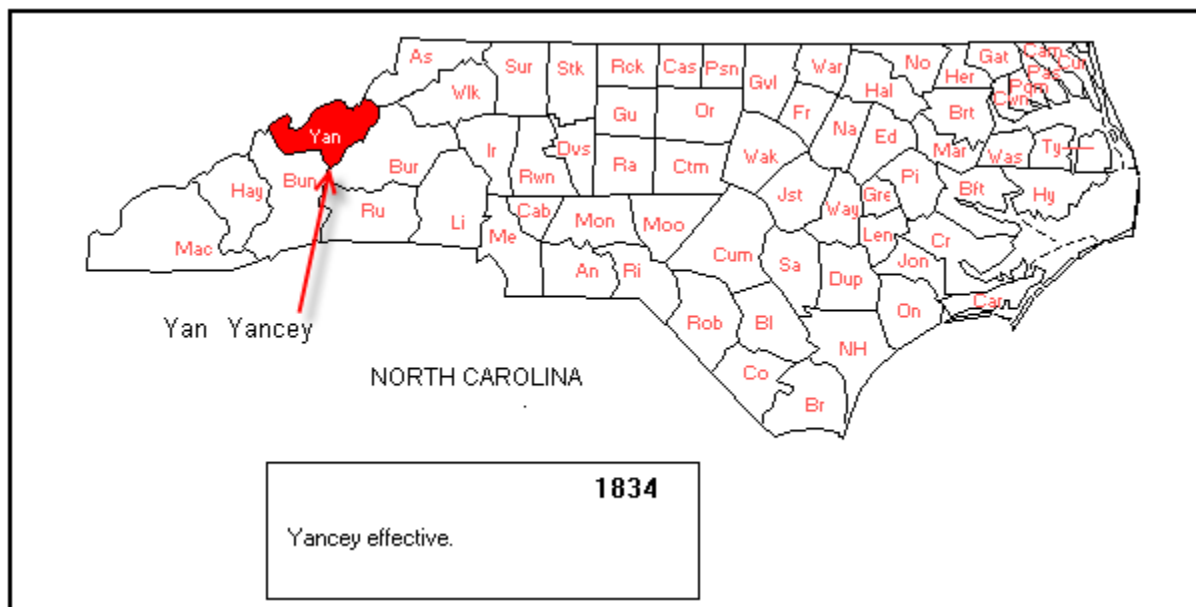
child. Documentation of the marriage includes two deeds, the first dated 23 May 1837 from David Baker to his daughter Sophia Young “for and in consideration of the paternal love and affection” (Yancey County Deed Book 3: 36-37), and the second dated 14 April 1848 in which Reuben and Sophia Young sold the property she received in the 1837 deed to E. J. Green (Yancey County Deed Book 3: 97-98). Reuben and Sophia Baker Young had seven children: David McDaniel Young (1832-1908), m. Martha A. E. Young; Thomas B. Young (1834-1909), m. Mary M. “Molly” Young; Susannah C. Young (1836-1929) m. John C. Blalock; Temperance A. Young (c1838-bef 1880 census); Dorothy E. Young (c1840-bef 1860 census); Nancy S. Young (1844- 1895) m. Samuel W. Blalock; Reuben J. Young (1845-1932), m. Nancy Matilda Wiseman (a cousin, daughter of Alexander Wiseman and granddaughter of William Wiseman by his second wife Lydia Bedford). Sophia died 6 April 1891 in Mitchell County, NC. She is buried beside her husband, Reuben Young, at Green B. Young Cemetery in the Clarissa Community near Bakersville, Mitchell County.

14 January 1832 – LAND GRANT: **Bedford Wiseman**, 100 acres in **Burke County**, North Carolina, on the waters of the Toe River adjoining Thomas Burlinson. (*North Carolina Land Grants, North Carolina Archives, File No. 4922, Grant # 5577, Entry # 10,602, 27 September 1830*).

20 December 1832 – LAND GRANT: Reuben McKinney, 100 acres in **Burke County**, North Carolina, on Honeycuts Creek on North side of Toe River. (*North Carolina Land Grants, North Carolina Archives, File No. 4954, Grant # 5610, Entry #5610, 29 December 1830*).

Reuben McKinney was married to Mary Baker, sixth child and third daughter of David Baker by his first wife Mary Webb.

December 1833 – COUNTY LINES CHANGE: **Yancey County** was created from Burke and Buncombe Counties by an enabling act of the North Carolina General Assembly effective 1834.





DAVID BAKER DIES IN YANCEY COUNTY

26 January 1838 – WILL: **David Baker** executed his Last Will and Testament in Yancey County, North Carolina. It read:

In the Name of God Amen

I David Baker Senr. of the County of Yancey and State of N. Carolina (farmer). Being weak in Body but Perfect in Mind and Memory. Thanks be given unto God. Calling to Mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing 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 my Soul into the Hand of Almighty God that gave it and My Body I Recommend to the Earth to be buried in a decent Christian Burial at the Discretion of my Executors. Nothing Doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the Mighty Power of God.

And as touches such Worldly Estate wherewith it has pleased God to Bless me in this life, I give devise and dispose of in the following manner & form. viz.

First I give and Bequeath to Dorothy My Dearly Beloved Wife all my Estate Both Real and Personal by her freely to be possessed of and Enjoyed during her Natural life and at her decease to be equally Divided between my Beloved Children (viz) Susannah, Martin, David, Dorothy, Josiah, Sophia and Charles.

To the rest of my children (viz) Elizabeth Baley, Thomas, William, Nancy Davenport, Critenden and Mary McKinney I give Nothing in consequence of having given them a Reasonable Portion of my Estate heretofore. I likewise constitute make and ordain David D. Baker and Josiah Baker the sole Executors of this my last will & Testament and I hereby disallow revoke and disannul every other former Testaments, wills, Legacies, Bequeaths and Executors by me in any wise before named willed and bequeathed. Ratifying & confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament.

(Yancey County, North Carolina, Record of Wills, Volume #1, page 30).

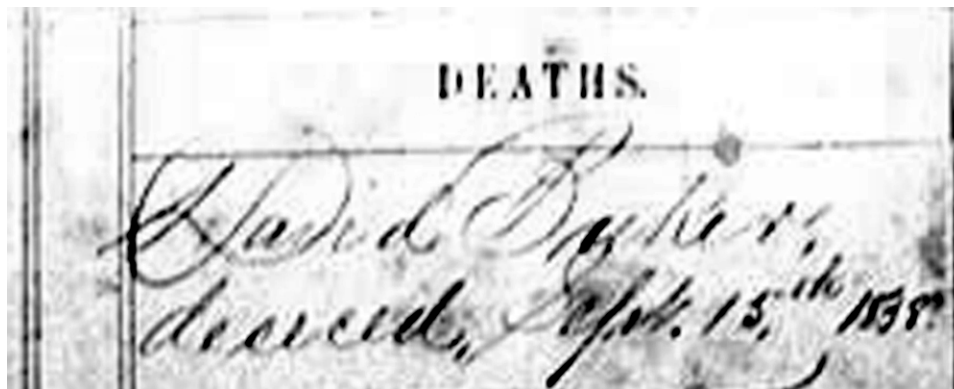
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 Last Will and Testament of David Baker Senr

In the Name of God Amen
 I David Baker Senr of the County of -
 Yancey and State of N Carolina (Farmer) -
 Being weak in Body but perfect in Mind and
 Memory Thanks be Given unto God
 Calling to mind the Mortality of my Body
 and knowing that He 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 my Soul into the hand
 of Almighty God that gave it And my Body I
 Recommend to the Earth to be buried in a decent -
 Christian Burial at the Discretion of my Executors -
 Nothing Doubting but at the General Resurrection I
 shall receive the Same again by the Mighty Power of
 God - And as To such worldly Estate wherewith
 It has Pleas'd God to Bless me in this life I Give
 Lemise and Dispose off in the following Manner
 First I Give and Bequeath to Dorothy my
 Dearly Belov'd Wife all my Estates both Real and Personal
 by her freely to be Posses'd off and Enjoyed during her
 Natural Life and at her Decease to be equally
 Divided Between my Belov'd Children (viz) Susannah
 Martin, David, Dorothy, Josiah, Johnes & Charles
 To the rest of my Children (viz) Elizabeth Baley,
 Thomas, William, Nancy Davenport, Britten and
 Mary McKinney I Give Nothing in Consequence of having
 Given them a Reasonable Portion of my Estate heretofore
 I Likewise Constitute Make and Ordain David D. Bate
 and Josiah Baker the sole Executors of this my last
 Will & Testament and I hereby disallow revoke and
 Disannul all and every other former Testaments, Wills, Leges
 Bequeaths and Executions by me in any wise before herein
 Will and Bequeath, Ratifying & Confirming this and
 No other to be my Last Will & Testament

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal
 This 26th Day of January AD 1838
 Witness Thomas Wilson
 David Baker Seal

Note that the will lists all of David's known children by both his first wife Mary Webb (Elizabeth m. William Bailey, Thomas, William, Nancy m. Jonas Davenport, (James) Crittenden and Mary m. Reuben McKinney) and his second wife Dorothy Wiseman (Susannah m. Solomon Pitman, Martin, David, Dorothy m. David Davenport, Josiah, Sophia m. Reuben Young and Charles). It tends to disprove stories circulating on the Internet that Mary Webb Baker and several of her children died of milk fever (none of her known children failed to live to adulthood, and there is no gap in years among the children that would allow for an unknown child). It also disproves other stories that there were two additional children by Dorothy Wiseman Baker (Louisa and William, who were actually children of David and Dorothy's son Martin).

- 15 September 1838** – DEATH: **David Baker**, Yancey County, North Carolina. (Family Bible of Josiah Baker, son of David Baker, photographed 2003):



David Baker's second wife, Dorothy, was his cousin, a daughter of William and Mary Davenport Wiseman and granddaughter of Thomas Davenport. She outlived him by some 17 years, dying on 23 August 1855. Note that David Baker's estate took many years to settle, as reflected by this 1860 receipt from David's son Martin Alexander Baker to David D. Davenport, his brother and executor of their father's estate.

State of Joneses Barber County January the 28
1860 Received of D D Baker Executor of David Baker
deceased Eight dollars and forty Centes of my
part of his personal Estate ~~to~~ hereto
set when name and seal
Martin Baker

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