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The Book about BRYANT

LEWIS B. BRYANT (1): Lewis was married Jan 21, 1830 to Jennett Narcissa Hemphill. She was born Feb 08 1809 death date unknown. They lived in Clover, York, SC and Waco, Cleveland, NC. **LEWIS B. BRYANT** was born Sep 4, 1805 and d. Mar 20, 1847. They had a house full of children, nine of them, five girls and four boys. I don't know what he did for a living. But they had to be happy to have such a big family.

ISSUE OF LEWIS B. BRYANT (1)

Margaret A. Bryant (2)	b. Jul 08, 1831 d. Feb 13, 1925
Augustus J Bryant	b. Sep 08, 1833 York, SC d. Sep 28, 1856
John Bryant	b. 1835 d. York, SC
James Andrew Bryant	b. Feb 10, 1836 d. Jun 27, 1862
Mary Elizabeth Bryant	b. Apr 2, 1839 d. Oct 9, 1923
Samuel Alexander Bryant	b. Sep 16, 1841
William Pressley Bryant	b. Dec 31, 1843, Cleveland, NC
Martin S. Bryant	b. 1845 Cleveland, NC
Matilda Susannah Bryant	b. Mar 3, 1846, Cleveland, NC

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THE SECOND GENERATION

MARGARET A. BRYANT (2), Lewis B. Bryant (1): Margaret was the first child of Lewis. She was married Sep 12, 1852 to Christopher Costner. He was born in 1829, the death date is unknown. They lived around York, SC and Cleveland, NC. They had four children two boy and two girls. Margaret A. Bryant was born on Jul 08, 1831 and on Feb 13, 1925.

ISSUE OF MARGARET A. BRYANT (2)

Elizabeth J. Costner (3)	b. May 25, 1853, NC d. Jun 05, 1936, Cleveland, NC
Mary M. Costner	b. 1855 d. NC m. Dec 9, 1880 to John W. P. Davis (Cleveland, NC)
Joseph Costner	b. Jun 05, 1857 d. Jul 17, 1929 m. Dec 22, 1887, Malinda Ruff d. 1866
Elphus S. Costner	b. 1859, NC

JAMES ANDREW BRYANT (2), Lewis B. Bryant (1): James was the fourth child of Lewis. He was married in 1859 to Sarah Elizabeth Weathers she was born in 1836, her death date is unknown. They lived in and around Cleveland, NC and had two children one boy and one girl. He had a good life but was killed in the civil war during the seven day Battle of Gains' Mill. He was born on Feb 10, 1836 and died on Jun 27, 1862.

ISSUE OF JAMES ANDREW BRYANT (2)

Emily E. (Aunt Etta) Bryant	b. 1859 d. 1952 (age 93) m. George Henderson
Rufus T. Bryant	b. 1860 d. 1940 m. Amarda J. Henderson b. 1864 d. 1907

MARY ELIZABETH BRYANT (2), Lewis B. Bryant (1): Mary was the fifth child of Lewis. She was married, the first time, to William Rodgers b. 1835 d. Jul 13 1862. They live in and around Cleveland, NC and Richmond, Henrico, VA. They had three children. According to the time of William's death I would say that he died in the Civil war. She remarried On Aug 7, 1864 James Jackson Moss, born Nov 9, 1839 and died in 1909. They lived around Waco, Cleveland, NC and Gastonia, Gaston, NC. They had two children.

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ISSUE OF MARY ELIZABETH BRYANT (2)

Augustus James Rodgers (3)	b. May 4, 1856, Waco, Cleveland, NC d. Feb 19, 1927, Clovis, Curry, NM m. Apr 25, 1879, Quincy Lou Johnson b. 1861 m. Sallie Jackson m. Martha Watkins m. May 10, 1908, Mary Elizabeth Clark Roosevelt, NM b. Dec 24, 1883 Knobs, Lee, TX d. Dec 29, 1947 Las Vegas, San Miguel, NM
Elmira Jane Rodgers	b. May 26, 1859, Waco, Cleveland, NC d. Jan 25, 1948 m. Jul 4, 1877, Stephen Douglas Norment b. Oct 4, 1857, Charlotte, Mecklenburg, NC d. Dec 30 1934 Charlotte, Mecklenburg, NC
William Webster Moss	b. Apr 27, 1865, Waco, Cleveland, NC d. 1918
Noah Hampton Moss	b. Jan 23, 1868, Waco, Cleveland, NC d. Dec. 23 1935

SAMUEL ALEXANDER BRYANT (2), Lewis B. Bryant (1): Samuel was the sixth child of Lewis. He was born Sep 16, 1841 in Cleveland, NC, his death is date is unknown. He was married to Rosa, born 1849 in NC.

ISSUE OF SAMUEL ALEXANDER BRYANT

James Bryant	b. 1867, NC
Annie Bryant	b. Feb 1870, NC

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THE THIRD GENERATION

RUFUS T. BRYANT (3), James Andrew (2), Lewis B. (1): Rufus was married to Amanda J. Henderson, born in 1864, died in 1907. Rufus and his sister Emily E. Bryant married each others brother and sister. That made their children double first cousin. Rufus and Amanda lived in Green Creek, Polk, NC. They had five children. He was a farmer. Rufus and his wife Amanda are buried at Green River Cemetery. Rufus was b. 1860 and d. 1940.

ISSUE OF RUFUS T. BRYANT (5)

Sudie Bryant (4)	b. Jan 31, 1885 d. Oct, 14, 1969
Nancy Bryant	b. Apr 20, 1886 d. Mar 16, 1972
James T. Bryant	b. Apr 30, 1888 d. Jan 3, 1969
Furman Bryant	
Addie Bryant	b. Oct 17, 1897 d. May 14, 1959

JAMES T. BRYANT (4), Rufus T. (3), James Andrew (2), Lewis B. (1): James was married to Lollie W. Wilson born Jan 28, 1888 and died July 16, 1969. They were married Dec 23, 1910. They had eight children, five boys and three girls. James lived in Polk, NC where he was a farmer and blacksmith. He grew a lot of cotton. This was my grandfather. He and my grandmother were wonderful people. We all called them Granny and Papa Bryant. James and his wife are buried at Grays Creek Cemetery, Polk, NC. James was b. Apr 30, 1888 and d. Jan 3, 1969.

ISSUE OF JAMES T. BRYANT (4)

James Rufus Bryant (5)	b. Oct 20, 1911 d. Mar 28, 1973
Amanda Eudora Bryant	b. Jan 29, 1913
Guynell O. Bryant	b. Jan 12, 1915
Fanny Lucille Bryant	b. Mar 3, 1917 d. Oct 20, 1918
Claude Charles Bryant	b. Mar 2, 1920
Margaret Lois Bryant	b. Sep 9, 1921
Paul Ray Bryant	b. Dec 13, 1923 d. Feb 28, 1997
Benjamin Edgar Bryant	b. Feb 10, 1928

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THE FOURTH GENERATION

JAMES RUFUS BRYANT (5), James T. (4), Rufus T. (3), James Andrew (2), Lewis B. (1): James Rufus Bryant went by Rufus. He was married to Ada Gregg. They had Eight children. Ada died with cancer and Rufus remarried. Rufus was in the army and was one of the last horse soldiers. Then he worked in textiles. Rufus was born Oct 20, 1911 and died Mar 28, 1973.

ISSUE OF JAMES RUFUS BRYANT (5)

James Bryant (6)
Tommy Bryant
Gail Bryant
Ronnie Bryant
Brenda Bryant
Doris Bryant
Carolyn Bryant
General Bryant

AMANDA EUDORA BRYANT (5), James T. (4), Rufus L. (3), James Andrew (2), Lewis B. (1): She was better know as Dora. She was married to Harry Jolly. They had seven children, four boys and three girls. She did a lot for the community. She worked in the water district helping people get water. She lived in and around Spartanburg. Dora is buried in Green River Cemetery. Dora was born Jan 29, 1913.

ISSUE OF AMANDA EUDORA (5)

Nail Jolly (6)	b. Feb 8, 1932
Ben Jolly	b. July 4, 1933
J.C. Jolly	b. Sep 16, 1935
Ann Jolly	b. May 22, 1937
Willis Jolly	b. Sep 10, 1941
Harry Jolly	b. Jan 2, 1945
	d. Dec 16, 1998
Louise Jolly	b. June 21, 1947

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GUYNELL O. BRYANT (5), James T. (4), Rufus T. (3), James Andrew (2), Lewis B. (1): Guynell was called Guy Bryant. He was married to Marie Lyles. They lived in VA for a long time but when he retired they moved back home where he died. They had seven children, four boys and three girls. He worked in textiles. He was born Jan 12, 1915.

ISSUE OF GUYNELL O. BRYANT (5)

Ellen Bryant (6)	b. Mar 14, 1934
Betty Sue Bryant	b. Mar 7, 1940
Jerry Bryant	b. Jul 22, 1941
	d. Sep 25, 1959
Kenny Bryant	b. Mar 9, 1944
Louis Bryant	b. Jan 9, 1946
Bobby Bryant	b. Aug 8, 1951
Debbie Bryant	b. Apr 4, 1955

CLAUDE CHARLES BRYANT (5), James T. (4), Rufus L. (3), James Andrew (2), Lewis B. (1): Claude was married to Kathleen Thompson, born Aug 30, 1924 and died Nov 3, 1983. They had two children, one boy and one girl. Kathleen died and he remarried. Claude lived around Chesnee, Spartanburg, SC. He worked in textiles and farmed. He was born Mar 2, 1920.

ISSUE OF CLAUDE CHARLES BRYANT (5)

Larry Bryant(6)	b. Dec 28, 1948
June Bryant	b. Oct 31, 1946

MARGARET LOIS BRYANT (5), James T. (4), Rufus L. (3), James Andrew (2), Lewis B. (1): Margaret was married to Dexter Ezell, born July 3, 1918 and died Jul 7, 1972. They had four children, one girl and three boys. They lived around Chesnee. They worked in textiles. Margaret was born Sep 9, 1921.

ISSUE OF MARGARET LOIS BRYANT (5)

Judith Carol Ezell (6)	b. Oct 2, 1942
	d. Feb 13, 1972
Winston Dexter Ezell	b. Nov 27, 1945
Michael James Ezell	b. Apr 4, 1951
Gary Wayne Ezell	b. Sep 18, 1952

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PAUL RAY BRYANT (5), James T. (4), Rufus L. (3), James Andrew (2), Lewis B. (1): Paul was married to Alvelda Spenser, born Feb 23, 1924. They lived around Chesnee and had three children, two boys one girl. Paul was in the automotive business. He was born Dec 13, 1923 and died Feb 28, 1997.

ISSUE PAUL RAY BRYANT (5)

David Bryant (6)	b. Jun 9, 1947
Elaine Bryant	b. Jul 28, 1949
Paul Ray Bryant	b. Oct 14, 1955

BENJAMIN EDGAR BRYANT (5), James T. (4), Rufus L. (3), James Andrew (2), Lewis B. (1): Benjamin Edgar Bryant was know as Edgar Bryant. He was married to Floy Abrham, born Apr 21, 1928. They had only one child, a girl. Edgar lived around Grays Creek. Edgar worked in textiles. He was born Feb 10, 1928.

ISSUE OF BENJAMIN EDGAR BRYANT (5)

Peggy Ann Bryant	b. Jul 22, 1961
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THE SIXTH GENERATION

James Bryant (6), James Rufus (5), James T. (4), Rufus L. (3), James Andrew (2), Lewis B. (1):