# Descendants of William Flournoy Smith

#### Generation No. 1

**1.** WILLIAM FLOURNOY<sup>7</sup> SMITH (*JAMES*<sup>6</sup>, *JOHN*<sup>5</sup>, *SAMUEL*<sup>4</sup>, *JOHN*<sup>3</sup>, *ALEXANDER*<sup>2</sup>, *JOSEPH*<sup>1</sup>)<sup>1</sup> was born 26 April 1798 in Oak Hill, Granville, North Carolina<sup>2</sup>, and died 31 July 1884 in Princeton, Dallas, Arkansas<sup>3</sup>. He married MARY KENNON BROWNE CLACK <sup>4</sup> 29 October 1823 in ,Granville, North Carolina<sup>5,6</sup>, daughter of JAMES CLACK and SALLY DICKENS. She was born 27 August 1805 in ,Person, North Carolina<sup>7</sup>, and died 20 December 1840 in Mulberry, Lincoln, Tennessee<sup>7</sup>.

### Notes for WILLIAM FLOURNOY SMITH:

### CASWELL COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA DEED BOOK S, page 315-6

John Thomas of Caswell County to William F. Smith, Samuel H. Smith, John Smith of same, for \$5425, 562 1/2 acres both sides North Hico near Thomas Roan dwelling house adjacent claim of Mrs. Burgess, claim of George B. Dameron, including dwelling house where John Thomas lives. 1 December 1818. Witnesses: Laban Farley, John G. Willson.

## PERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA DEED BOOK F, page 21-3

John N. McNeill to William F. Smith for \$150.00, one-seventh part of undivided estate of Daniel Darby deceased consisting of negroes Jude & her child (name not recalled); his interested in any notes, bonds bequeathed to him & his wife Ann McNeill; Smith given power of attorney to sieze same. 23 August 1821. Witnesses: Hannah Bishop, Anne Evans.

# PERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA DEED BOOK G, page 171-3

Robert D. Wade to William F. Smith, for \$915.00, 146 acres on S. Hyco adjacent Nathaniel Torian, near John Russell; Wade allowed to remove the dwelling house & reserves 24 square feet where grave yard stands. 18 October 1822. Witnesses: Nathaniel Torian & Downey Wade.

### CASWELL COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA DEED BOOK U, page 166-7

Samuel H. Smith and John Smith both of Caswell County to William F. Smith of Person County for \$1880.33, all interest 160 acres on North Hico adjacent Thomas Roan being land divided him of tract of 542 1/2 acres purchased of John Thomas. 11 January 1823. Witnesses: J. Wilson, Thomas Smith.

#### CASWELL COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINE DEED BOOD U, page 185

John Smith of Caswell County, William F. Smith of Person County, to Samuel Smith of Caswell County, for \$3,616.00, 382 1/2 acres on North Hyco adjacent Thomas Roan being land purchased of John Thomas. 11 January 1823. Witnesses: J. Wilson, Thomas Smith.

#### CASWELL COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA DEED BOOK U, page 176

William F. Smith of Person County to Stephen Pleasant of same, for \$1250.00, all his interest to 160 acres on North Hico adjacent Thomas Roan, said tract formerly owned jointly by William F. Smith, Samuel H. Smith & John Smith. 20 February 1823. Witnesses: E. D. Stanfield, N. Thompson.

# PERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA DEED BOOK G, page 79-80

Stephen Pleasant to William F. Smith, for \$950.00, 227 1/2 acres adjoining Brooks, Jacobs, Lipscomb, heirs of Lawrence Lea decd, Gabriel B. Lea, James Johnston. 20 February 1823. Witnesses: E. D. Stanfielf & Aaron Scoggin.

### PERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA DEED BOOK G, page 180-2

James Clack to son William F. Smith & daughter Mary Kennon Brown Smith, for love & affection, negroes Phillis, Dolly, Leathy, & her child Catharine, Ann, Lizzie, Thomas, Scilla, Horace, Alfred & Martha. 10 September 1824. Witnesses: Downey Wade & Stephen M. Dickens.

#### PERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA DEED BOOK G, page 487

22nd December 1824--Deed from Milley Pearson of Lincoln County, Tennessee to William F. Smith of Person County, North Carolina for 400 acres of land in Lincoln County lying on the waters of East Mulberry & adjoining a 2,500 acre tract granted by the State of Tennessee to George Doherty & decreed to William P. Anderson, & by Wallace Alexander's tract of land & William Smith's line & by James Clack's line. Witnesses: John T. Smith & M. L. Park's. Reg: 20th February 1827.

### PERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA DEED BOOK G, page 336-8

William F. Smith & Mary K. B. Smith to Thomas Oakley, for \$162.50, 320 acres adjacent said Oakley, Mason, Suit--said land descended to Mary K. B. Smith from estate of her grandfather, Robert Dickens, decd & alloted in 1823. 13 April 1825. Witnesses: Portius Moore, Griffin Jones. Mary Smith examined apart from her husband & relinquished her claim to said land. Witnesses: John Bradsher, Wright Nichols.

### PERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA DEED BOOK G, page 338-41

William F. Smith & Mary K. B. Smith his wife, to George Glenn, for \$200.25, 215 acres adjacent Thomas Oakley, Vaughan, Nathan Oakley, Suckey Moore-being part of land descended to Mary Smith from her grandfather Robert Dickens in 1823. 13 April 1825. Witnesses: James Clack, James Milner, Portius Moore. Mary K. B. Smith examined apart from her husband & relinquished her claim to said land.

### TENNESSEE DEED BOOK G, page 487

18th January 1827- Deed from Peter Adams & Harmon B. Walton of Lincoln County, Tennessee to William F. Smith of same place for 159 acres of land in Lincoln County lying on Elk River on the north side, it being part of 2440 acres granted to William Edmondson by the State of North Carolina & by said Edmondson, William Campbell Edmondson, Vance Greer, Ebenezer McEwen & Polly his wife, James Gillespie & Patsy his wife, John Beatie & Sally his wife sold & conveyed to the said Adams & Walton & adjoining Micajah McElroy's tract of land & James Young's line. Wittnesses: A.C. McEwen & R.H. McEwen. Reg: 20th February 1827.

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### PERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA DEED BOOK G, page 622

28th February 1827--Deed from Edward Tatum, Executor & sole legatee to the Last Will & Testament of Nathaniel Tatum, deceased of Jefferson County, Alabama, formerly of Lincoln County, Tennessee to William F. Smith of Lincoln County for 106 2/3 acres of land in Lincoln County lying on the east side of Mulberry Creek of Elk River, it being one sixth part of a certain tract of land granted by the State of Tennessee to William Douglass of Warren County, Tennessee for 640 acres by Grant No. 1835 & adjoining said Douglass' line. Witnesses: Stephen M. Dance & Amazia Anthony. Reg: 18th January 1828.

From The Village Messenger, Fayetteville, Tennessee, Vol. 4, No. 27, December 7, 1827 Land for Sale.

I offer for sale all of the LANDS I own in Lincoln County, viz: 200 acres near the head of East Mulberry, where I reside;--213 and a half below the fork of East and West Mulberry, adjoining the land of Isaiah ALLEY and others; and 160 acres of land three miles below Fayetteville, on Elk River.--Those who feel disposed to purchase, can buy Bargains if application be made before the 25th of this instant. My intention is move to the Western District. The land below Fayetteville will be shown by Harmon WALTON who lives thereon; that near Isaiah ALLEY, by Wm. SAMSOM, and the tract near the head of East Mulberry will be shown by myself to those who may feel disposed to purchase.

WM. F. SMITH

Dec. 5, 1827

## PERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA DEED BOOK H, page 7

25th February 1828-Deed from James Fulton & Isaac Broyles to William F. Smith for 106 1/2 acres of land in Lincoln County, Tennessee lying on the east waters of Mulberry Creek & immediately at & below the junction of the waters of East & West Mulberry Creeks & adjoining the lands of James Ramsey & Isaac Broyles on the north, William F. Smith on the south, Cooley on the east & Duke, Alexander & others on the west. Witnesses: William Neeld & J. G. Fulton. Reg: 22 May 1828.

### PERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA DEED BOOK H, page 94

25th December 1827- Deed from William F. Smith to William S. Smith and Thomas Roundtree, jointly, for 200 acres of land in Lincoln County and on the east fork of Mulberry Creek and bounded by William Smith, Sen. on the south, Thomas and Martin Parkes on the east, William S. Smith on the north and by Stephen McDavis and others on the west and north, it being one half a tract of 400 acres formally sold to said party by Milley Pearson, and said land adjoining near Martin Parkes shop in the line of William S. Smith and the beginning corner on the former Deeds of Conveyance of this tract, and by a new corner of Stephen McDavid's name by james P. Baxter in surveying the other half of the 400 acres sold by the party &c. Wit: John Price and E. B. Bradford. Reg: 25th August 1828.

## PERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA DEED BOOK H, page 117

Deed from William F. Smith & Mary K. B. Smith of Granville County, to Ely Tapp of Person County, for 330 acres on waters of Rocky Fork. Witnesses: James Webb & James Clark.

### PERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA DEED BOOK H, page 218

20th January 1829- Bill of Sale- William F. Smith of Lincoln County, Tennessee to Francis Porterfield of the City of Nashville, Tennessee for a negro man named Isham, about 25 years of age. Witnesses: James Fulton & William Akin. Reg: 6th February 1829.

#### LINCOLN COUNTY TAX LIST 1829-1832

William F. Smith, 1829 had 494 acres in Captain Drury M. Connally's Company located north east of Fayetteville.

#### LINCOLN COUNTY TAX LIST 1829-1832

William F. Smith, 1830 had 494.5 acres near Mulberry Creek.

# NORTH CAROLINA DEED BOOK I, page 211

22nd December 1831-Deed from William F. Smith to Benjamin J, Whitaker for 107 acres of land in Lincoln County in which said county said Whitaker now resides. Sold land lying on the west side of the west fork of Mulberry Creek, a north branch of Elk Creek adjoining the north west corner of a 42 1/2 acre survey conveyed by Samuel Wilson to Thomas Massey. Witness: William Pur-un?, James Pack and James H. Graham. Reg: 6th April 1832.

### TENNESSEE DEED BOOK I, page 711

Bill of Sale--Pleasant M. Duke to Henry Roberton, Whereas William F. Smith recovered two judgements against Isaac Ward before A. Baxter, as acting Justice of the Peace for Lincoln County, Tennessee on 30th December 183?, also on 2nd January 1834 and executions issued in favor of said William F. Smith against (forgot to copy the rest of deed).

His wife, son, grandson & father-in-law are all buried in the Dance Cemetery in Moore County, Tennessee.

Sometime after the death of his grandson, William Flournoy Smith Martin on 2 January 1846, William F. Smith moved with his children & their spouses & families to Princeton Township, Dallas, Arkansas. That is where they all stayed & are all buried in the Princeton Cemetery, Princeton, Dallas, Arkansas.

Dallas County, Arkansas was the 49th county organized & her Legislature began in 1848-1849 with W. F. Smith in the House.

He was known as one of the first physicians in Arkansas.

Accession/Serial #AR0130\_.492 BLM Serial #: AR NO S/N

State: Arkansas

Patentee Name: William F. Smith

Document #:7134 Issue Date: July 1, 1857

331.46 acres-----Land Office: Little Rock

Aliquot Parts--N1/2

Sec/Blk: 5/ Township: 9-S Range: 14-W Fract. Sect.; Yes Meridian: 5th PM

State Ar

Counties: Dallas

#### More About WILLIAM FLOURNOY SMITH:

Burial: August 1884, Princeton Cemetery, Princeton, Dallas, Arkansas<sup>7</sup>

Census: 1820, ,Caswell, North Carolina<sup>8</sup> Census 2: 1830, ,Lincoln, Tennessee<sup>8</sup>

Census 3: 1840, District #3, Lincoln, Tennessee<sup>8</sup>

Census 4: 02 November 1850, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>8</sup>

Census 5: 02 November 1850, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas-Slave Schedule<sup>8</sup>

Census 6: 02 November 1850, Worth \$8870.00<sup>8</sup>

Census 7: 02 November 1850, Slave Schedule, 38 slaves<sup>8</sup>

Census 8: 17 August 1870, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>8</sup>

Census 9: 17 August 1870, He was living in his son-in-law & daughters home, Robert & Agness Fuller<sup>8</sup>

Census 10: 24 June 1880, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>8</sup>

Census 11: 24 June 1880, He is living with his son-in-law & daughter, Robert & Agness Fuller<sup>8</sup> Migration: Aft. 13 April 1826, Left Caswell County, North Carolina for Lincoln County, Tennessee

Occupation: 02 November 1850, Physician<sup>8</sup> Occupation 2: 17 August 1870, Physician<sup>8</sup>

Occupation 3: 24 June 1880, Doctor of Medicine<sup>8</sup>

Taxes: 1829, Had 494 acres in Captain Drury M. Connally's Company located northeast of Fayetteville<sup>9</sup>

Taxes 2: 1830. Had 494.5 acres near Mulberry Creek<sup>9</sup>

### Notes for Mary Kennon Browne Clack:

Mary Wilson Brown Dickens Hicks wrote this about her cousin & uncle. Her parents, William & Nancy Dickens reared Mary Clack to womanhood & was looked upon as an elder sister amongst my fathers children. Uncle Clack, Mary's father, was a constant visitor at my fathers house & he was a gentleman of the old school--one of the most refind, pious men I ever remember to have seen. His daughter Mary was the sole object of his deepest affection. I have often, in after years, thought how self sacrificing he was, doating on her as he did; surrounded with wealth and comfort at home; yet he allowed her to reside with my parents, fifteen miles from him, in order that she might have the benefit of my mother's care, in whose ability to raise daughters he had the utmost confidence. My cousin was married in my father's house.

## PERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA DEED BOOK F, pages 333-9

Mary Clack (now Smith)--2 tracts: 957 4/5 acre known as Brewer settlement adjacent John Bumpass, Doctor Hunt, Mann or Suit, Thomas Oakley, Vaughan, Nathan Oakley, Sacky Moore--value \$404.00; 22 acres called Rosemary on road from Roxboro to Bull's mill--value \$415.00. 7 August 1823.

# PERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA DEED BOOK G, page 336-8

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### PERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA DEED BOOK G, page 338-41

William F. Smith & Mary K. B. Smith his wife, to George Glenn, for \$200.25 for 215 acres adjacent to Thomas Oakley, Vaughan, Nathan Oakley, Suckey Moore-being part of land descended to mary Smith from her grandfather Rober Dickens in 1823. 13 April 1825. Witness: James Clack, James Milner & Portius Moore. Mary K. B. Smith examined apart from her husband & relinquished her claim to said land.

### More About MARY KENNON BROWNE CLACK:

Burial: December 1840, Dance Cemetery, Moore, Tennessee<sup>10</sup>

Burial 2: December 1840, Dance Cemetery is located 1 1/2 miles north of Lynchburg. There are 35 marked graves, many field stones & many unmarked graves<sup>10</sup>

Census: 1830, ,Lincoln, Tennessee<sup>11</sup>

Census 2: 1840, District #3, Lincoln, Tennessee<sup>11</sup>

Property: 10 September 1824, James Clack (her father) gave them 11 slaves

### Marriage Notes for WILLIAM SMITH and MARY CLACK:

Granville County, North Carolina marriage records show 29 October 1822. James Noel was their bondsman; James M. Wiggins was their witness.

## More About WILLIAM SMITH and MARY CLACK:

Marriage: 29 October 1823, ,Granville, North Carolina 12,13

#### Children of WILLIAM SMITH and MARY CLACK are:

 MARY ANN CLACK<sup>8</sup> SMITH<sup>14</sup>, b. 13 April 1826, ,Granville, North Carolina<sup>15</sup>; d. 26 August 1909, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>16</sup>; m. COLONEL ROBERT MARTIN<sup>17,18</sup>, 12 March 1844, ,Lincoln, Tennessee; b. 04 February 1819, ,Wilkes, North Carolina<sup>19</sup>; d. 17 May 1894, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>19</sup>.

#### More About MARY ANN CLACK SMITH:

Burial: August 1909, Princeton Cemetery, Princeton, Dallas, Arkansas 19

Census: 1840, District #3, Lincoln, Tennessee<sup>20</sup>

Census 2: 02 November 1850, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>20</sup>

Census 3: 1860, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>20</sup>

Census 4: 15 August 1870, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>20</sup>

Census 5: 23 June 1880, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>20</sup>

Census 6: 11 June 1900, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>20</sup>

Census 7: 11 June 1900, She is a widow<sup>20</sup>

Census 8: 11 June 1900, She is living in her son & daughter-in-law's home<sup>20</sup>

Religion: Methodist Episcopal Church, South

#### Notes for COLONEL ROBERT MARTIN:

In November 1863, a Confederate foraging party swormed over Colonel Robert Martin's plantation near Princeton. The Federals soon did likewise, taking the minor official with them. His wife & their family refugeed to the state of Louisiana, stopping at John Brown's. She sat a short time & went through the form of eating her dinner & then left.

# More About COLONEL ROBERT MARTIN:

Burial: May 1894, Princeton Cemetery, Princeton, Dallas, Arkansas<sup>21</sup>

Census: 02 November 1850, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>22</sup>

Census 2: 02 November 1850, Worth \$2500.00<sup>22</sup>

Census 3: 02 November 1850, Slave Schedule, 18 slaves<sup>22</sup>

Census 4: 1860, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>22</sup>

Census 5: 1860, He had \$15,000.00 Real Estate & 425,000.00 Personal Estate<sup>22</sup>

Census 6: 15 August 1870, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>22</sup>

Census 7: 15 August 1870, He had \$6,000.00 Real Estate & \$1,000.00 Personal Estate<sup>22</sup>

Census 8: 23 June 1880, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>22</sup>

Education: Huntsville Academy, Huntsville, Madison, Alabama

Migration: 1866, Went to Pine Bluff & engaged in commercial life with the firm known as Lee, Martin

& Co., but failed financially. He paid up all his debts

Military service: Bef. 1861, Colonel of the State Militia

Military service 2: Aft. 1861, He became the Conscript Officer

Military service 3: 12 October 1863, He was taken prisoner By Colonel Powel Clayton & was released

a short time later

Occupation: Bet. 1839 - 1860, General Mercantile Business

Occupation 2: 02 November 1850, Farmer employing one laborer<sup>23</sup>

Occupation 3: 23 June 1860, Farmer<sup>24</sup> Occupation 4: 15 August 1870, Farmer<sup>24</sup>

Occupation 5: 1877, He was elected to represent Dallas County in the Legislature

Occupation 6: 1880, Farmer<sup>24</sup>

Religion: Methodist Episcopal Church, South

## More About ROBERT MARTIN and MARY SMITH:

Marriage: 12 March 1844, ,Lincoln, Tennessee

ii. MARTHA ELIZABETH FISHER SMITH<sup>25</sup>, b. 22 May 1829, "Lincoln, Tennessee<sup>25</sup>; d. 08 October 1851, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>25</sup>; m. JOHN J. HARRIS<sup>25,26</sup>, 22 May 1850, "Dallas, Arkansas<sup>27</sup>; b. 1826, North Carolina<sup>28</sup>.

#### More About MARTHA ELIZABETH FISHER SMITH:

Burial: October 1851, Princeton Cemetery, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>29</sup>

Census: 1840, District #3, Lincoln, Tennessee<sup>30</sup>

Census 2: 02 November 1850, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>30</sup>

Census 3: 02 November 1850, She & her husband was living with her father<sup>30</sup>

#### More About JOHN J. HARRIS:

Census: 02 November 1850, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>30</sup>

Census 2: 02 November 1850, Name was spelled J. J. Harris<sup>30</sup>

Census 3: 02 November 1850, He & his wife was living in his father-in-law's house<sup>30</sup>

Occupation: 02 November 1850, Farmer<sup>30</sup>

#### More About JOHN HARRIS and MARTHA SMITH:

Marriage: 22 May 1850, ,Dallas, Arkansas<sup>31</sup>

iii. AGNESS BOLLING SMITH<sup>32</sup>, b. 20 March 1832, "Lincoln, Tennessee<sup>32</sup>; d. 21 December 1898, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>32</sup>; m. ROBERT THOMAS FULLER<sup>32</sup>, 04 February 1852, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas; b. 15 November 1821, Leasburg Twp., Caswell, North Carolina<sup>32</sup>; d. 02 March 1904, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>32</sup>.

Notes for AGNESS BOLLING SMITH: INSCRIPTION IN FULLER FAMILY BIBLE Mrs. A. B. Fuller Presented by her husband Robert T. Fuller July 4, 1854

Mrs. A. B. Fuller died December 21, 1898. This book is presented by her surviving husband R. T. Fuller to their daughter Agnes S. Fuller by her father R. T. Fuller this 18th day of February 1899.

Miss Agness Smith Fuller died May 12th, 1919. Before her death giving this book to her niece Virginia Elizabeth Fuller.

#### MRS. R. T. FULLER OBITUARY

It becomes our painful duty this morning to chronicle the death of Mrs. R. T. Fuller, which sad event occurred yesterday evening about dark at the family residence in Princeton. She had been in feeble health for sometime, and gradually grew worse until death relieved here of her misery. At the time of her death she was 66 years of age, and had spent the greater part of her life in Princeton, having removed with her husband to Princeton, if we are not mistaken about 1848. She was the mother of five children, four sons and a daughter. Three of her sons, Messrs. Will, R. C. and Thomas F. and her daughter, Miss Agnes, her husband, and a number of grandchildren survive her. She also leaves a host of friends and relatives in whose memory will ever dwell sweet recollections of pleasant hours spent in

her presence. She was a good neighbor, a kind and affectionate wife and mother, and had only to be known to be liked. Her demise has cast a pall of gloom over this entire vicinity that will not soon be removed.

Being but slightly acquainted with Mrs. Fuller's past life we will not attempt to write a sketch of her life; but will leave this to abler heads. The PRINCETONIAN extends to the sorrowing friends and relatives deepest sympathy. In this, their sad affliction, may they have consolation in the thought that, that which is best.

Her remains will be interred this evening at the Princeton Cemetery.

#### MRS. R. T. FULLER OBITUARY

"It is with sorrow that we chronicle the death on the 21st inst., of Mrs. Agnes B. Fuller, of this place. She was the wife of Judge Fuller and mother of Capt. Bob Fuller, of Fordyce; Bro. Wm. Fuller, of this place, and Mr. Thomas Fuller, of Shreveport, La. Early in life she gave her heart to Christ and lived a most exemplary Christian life to its close. She was a saintly character and Princeton is in sorrow over her demise."

#### DEATH OF MRS. R. T. FULLER

She Was Aunt of Chancellor Thos. B. Martin, of Little Rock

Chancellor Thos. B. Martin, of this city, and Senator Smith C. Martin, of Pine Bluff, have returned from Dallas county, where they were called by the death of their aunt, Mrs. R. T. Fuller. The Dallas County Princetonian chronicles the sad event as follows:

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### More About AGNESS BOLLING SMITH:

Burial: 22 December 1898, Princeton Cemetery, Princeton, Dallas, Arkansas<sup>32</sup>

Census: 1840, District #3, Lincoln, Tennessee<sup>3</sup>

Census 2: 02 November 1850, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>33</sup>

Census 3: 01 June 1860, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>33</sup>

Census 4: 01 June 1860, She is going by Agnes B. Fuller

Census 5: 17 August 1870, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>33</sup>

Census 6: 24 June 1880, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>33</sup>

Religion: 1852, Joined the Methodist<sup>34</sup>

## Notes for ROBERT THOMAS FULLER:

From the Dictionary of North Carolina Biography (Volume 2 D-G) by William S. Powell (I1986) page 249.

Fuller, Robert Thomas (born about 1824), attorney, circuit judge and planter, was born at Leasburg, Caswell County. He was graduated from the University of North Carolina in 1844 and studied law. Beginning about 1850, he was a practicing attorney in Arkansas for more than fourty years. Fuller settled at Princeton, Arkansas, in Dallas County and never relocated. His interests included Whig politics and his 2,300 acre plantation with twenty-three slaves. When Arkansas's first Secession Convention met on 4 March 1861, the day of Abraham Lincoln's Inauguration, Fuller was among the delegates who opposed secession. On 6 May 1861, however, after Fort Sumter, he joined those in the Second Convention who voted for secession and thereafter gave his firm support to the Confederacy. After the war, he served as a state circuit court judge.

Fuller married Agnes B. Smith, the daughter of Dr. W. F. Smith, a physician. They had six children: J. W., Robert C., Alex J., Samuel G., Agnes and Thomas F.

Robert Thomas Fuller graduated from University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1844.

Robert Thomas Fuller came to Dallas County, Arkansas in 1848.

In the 1850 Dallas County, Arkansas Census he had \$400.00 in personal estate value. He was in a boarding house with F. W. Compton & Samuel G. Smith.

Practiced law in Pine Bluff, Dallas, Arkansas.

#### CASWELL COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA DEED BOOK HH, PAGE 472 POWER OF ATTORNEY

Robert T. Fuller of Caswell County to John N. Fuller of Caswell County to receive money from sale of land of James N. Fuller decd. of Caswell County now in hands of Clerk & Master. 7 September 1852.

#### JOHN N. FULLER ESTATE SLAVE ALLOTMENT FOR HIS SON

Robert T. Fuller Lot No. 3 Advanced in the amount of \$1,264.00 1 negro slave Bartlett aged 22 years value \$1,000.00 1 negro slave Lavinia aged 22 years value \$450.00 Total for all of this \$\$2,714.00

### RECORD OF DEED FOR THE STATE OF ARKANSAS COUNTY OF DALLAS

Know all men by these presents that I, William F. Smith for and in consideration of the natural love and affection which I have and bear unto Robert T. Fuller and Agness Bolling Fuller, wife of the said Robert T. Fuller, have given, granted, relinquished and confirmed and by these presents do grant, give, relinquish and confirm unto the said Robert T. Fuller and Agness, his wife all the right, title, interest or claim which I have in and to the following described tracts or parcels of land lying and situate in the County of Dallas and State of Arkansas and known as Section Twenty four (24), Township Eight (8), South of Range Sixteen (16) West, and also the South quarter (1/4) of Section Number Nineteen (19) Township Eight (8) South of Range Fifteen West (15). To have and to hold the same with all of the hereditaments and appurtenances in any wise thereunto attached or belonging.

Accession/Serial #: AR0230 .035 BLM Serial #: AR NO S/N State: Arkansas

Patentee Name: Robert T. Fuller

Issue Date: July 2, 1860

Acres: 320

Land Office: Little Rock Aliquot Parts: E1/2 Sec/Blk: 23/ Township: 8-S Range: 16-W

Fract. Sect.; No Meridian: 5th PM

State: AR Counties: Dallas

In the 1860 Dallas County, Arkansas Census he was 38 years old & this was what was listed.

23 slaves

\$15,000.00 Real Property \$25,000.00 Personal Property

600 acres Improved 1700 acres Unimproved

70 Ginned Cotton- 400 pound bales

2 horses

6 asses & mules

1300 Indian Corn Bushels

Dallas County Delegate to the Little Rock Convention was Judge R.T. Fuller, a Whig. He voted against the Secession at the first meeting, but voted with the great majority at the next meeting in May.

Dallas County, Arkansas was the 49th County organized & her Legislators began in 1848-1849 with W.

F. Smith in the House.

#### THE STATE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

On Saturday, March 2, 1861, the state officers met and canvassed the returns of the election, and found that the proposition to hold a state convention had been carried by a majority of 11,586 votes. Governor Rector immediately issued his proclamation calling the delegates to meet on Monday following. As most of the delegates were already in Little Rock, having brought in the returns of the election, no time was lost in organizing the convention on the 4th. Robert T. Fuller of Dallas County was in attendence.

In 1861 Arkansas had the State Seal of Arkansas, as they didn't have an official flag until about 1913. The Latin phase on the State Seal was Beneath The Eagles, "Regnant Popul" Means "The People Rule".

Ordinance of Secession of Arkansas was passed in the State Capitol at Little Rock on 6 May 1861, by a vote of 69 to 1.

An Ordinance to dissolve the union now existing between the State of Arkansas and the other States united with her under the compact entitled "The Constitution of the United States of America."

Whereas, in addition to the well founded causes of complaint set forth by this Convention, in resolutions adopted on the 11th of March, A. D. 1861, against the sectional party now in power in Washington City, headed by Abraham Lincoln, he has, in the face of resolutions passed by this Convention pledging the State of Arkansas to resist to the last extremity any attempt on the part of such power to coerce any State that had seceded from the old Union, proclaimed to the world that war should be waged against such States until they should be compelled to submit to their rule, and large forces to accomplish this have by this same power been called out, and are now being marshaled to carry out this inhuman design; and no longer submit to such rule, or remain in the old Union of the United States, would be disgraceful and ruinous to the State of Arkansas:

Therefore We, The People of The State of Arkansas, in Convention Assembled, do hereby declare and ordain, and it is hereby declared and ordained, That the "ordinance and acceptance of compact" passed and approved by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas on the 18th day of October, A. D. 1836, whereby it was by said General Assembly ordained that by virtue of the authority vested in said General Assembly by the provisions of the ordinance adopted by the Convention of delegates assembled at Little Rock for the purpose of forming a constitution and system of government for said State, the propositions set forth in "An act supplementary to an act entitled 'An act for the admission of the State of Arkansas into the Union, and to provide for the due execution of the laws of the United States within the same, and for other purposes," were freely accepted, ratified and irrevocably confirmed, articles of compact and union between the State of Arkansas and the United States, and all other laws and every other law and ordinance, whereby the State of Arkansas became a member of the Federal Union, be, and the same are hereby, in all respects and for every purpose herewith consistent, repealed, abrogated and fully set aside; and the union now subsisting between the State of Arkansas and the other States under the name of the United States of America, is hereby forever dissolved.

And we do further hereby declare and ordain, That the State of Arkansas hereby resumes to herself all rights and powers heretofore delegated to the Government of the United States of America; that her citizens are absolved from all allegiance to said Government of the United States and that she is in full possession and exercise of all the rights and sovereignty which appertain to a free and independent State.

We do further ordain and declare, That all rights acquired and vested under the Constitution of the United States of America, or of any act or acts of Congress, or treaty, or under any law of this State, and not incompatible with this ordinance, shall remain in full force and effectk in nowise altered or impaired, and have the same effect as if this ordinance had not been passed.

Adopted and passed in open Convention on the 6th day of May, A. D. 1861.

Arkansas Sucession Convention Delegate for the County of Dallas was Robert T. Fuller.

After the Civil War, Robert T. Fuller was appointed Judge of the Judical Circuit by the Governor. Served at least one term in the Arkansas Legislature about 1897.

JUDGE R. T. FULLER, ATTORNEY, PRINCETON,

#### ARKANSAS

This very prominent citizen of Dallas County, who is now located at Princeton, engaged in the practice of law, has followed this profession for forty years, continuously, and the history of his life is an important and honorable part of that of his State and country. He was born in Leasburg, North Carolina about 1825 and graduated at Chapel Hill College, where he studied law. About 1850 he came to Arkansas, located at Princeton and there has since resided. After the war he was appointed Judge of this Judicial Circuit by the Governor of the State, and as an attorney he has been very successful. He married Miss Agnes B. Smith, daughter of Dr. W. F. Smith, who was for years well known in Arkansas as one of the first physicians. She was born in Lincoln County, Tennessee and is still living. To this union six children were born, all, with one exception, now living: J. W. (a farmer near Princeton, engaged in farming), Robert C. (an attorney of this district, for two years State's attorney, with no opponent for his second term), Alex J. (now in the livery business in Fordyce), Samuel G. (died when two years of age), Agnes (at home), and Thomas F.

#### ROBERT THOMAS FULLER OBITUARY IN THE ARKANSAS

#### METHODIST:

Honorable Robert T. Fuller was born in Caswell County, North Carolina, November 15, 1821; came to Dallas County, Arkansas in 1848. February 4, 1852, he was married to Miss Agnes B. Smith, and they were both converted and joined the Methodist Church the same year. Truly they were blessed in each other, and in their children. Brother Fuller, though a public man, and accustomed in the prosecution of his profession-the law-to the exciting influences and associations of the bar and the bench, was a great lover of home, where his beloved Agnes presided in queenly loveliness and Christian virtue, until December 21, 1898, when she was called to her home above, where he in great sorrow to follow on till March 2, 1904, when after months of sore affliction, both of body and mind, the Lord, whom he had serverd for more than a half century, bade him rejoin his beloved companion in that blessed life of immortal youth. Brother Fuller was nor forward in church matters, and perhaps shrank sometimes from services he was so competent to perform, still he was not idle as a church member, stood for what the church stood, sound and settled in his faith, consistant in his life, and thus has handed down to his children and coming generations the memory of a good man. The writer who was his pastor for several years, assisted by his pastor, Rev. J.J. Mellard, conducted, in the presence of a large concourse of his friends and neighbors, both white and colored, the funeral services, committing his mortal remains to repose in the silence of the tomb beside his beloved Agnes. That the children all may follow them as they followed Christ, sincerely prays their former pastor, J.E. Caldwell, Tulip, Arkansas.

### More About ROBERT THOMAS FULLER:

Burial: March 1904, Princeton Cemetery, Princeton, Dallas, Arkansas $^{35}$  Census: 1830, ,Caswell, North Carolina $^{36}$ 

Census 2: 1840. Was probably on the schools census count<sup>36</sup>

Census 3: 03 November 1850, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>36</sup>

Census 4: 03 November 1850, Value of Personal Estate \$400.00<sup>36</sup>

Census 5: 01 June 1860, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>36</sup>

Census 6: 01 June 1860, Value of Real Estate \$15,000.00 & Personal Estate \$25,000.00<sup>36</sup>

Census 7: 01 June 1860, Slave Schedule, 23 slaves & 6 slave houses<sup>36</sup>

Census 8: 01 June 1860, He is going by Robert T. Fuller

Census 9: 17 August 1870, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>36</sup>

Census 10: 17 August 1870, Value of Real Estate \$7,000.00 & Personal Estate \$1,600.00<sup>36</sup>

Census 11: 24 June 1880, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>36</sup>

Census 12: 01 June 1900, He was a widower<sup>36</sup>

Census 13: 01 June 1900, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>36</sup>

Graduation: 1844, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Orange County, North Carolina<sup>37</sup>

Migration: 1848, Came to Dallas County, Arkansas

Occupation: 03 November 1850, Lawyer<sup>38</sup>

Occupation 2: 01 June 1860, Lawyer<sup>3</sup>

Occupation 3: 17 August 1870, Lawyer<sup>38</sup>

Occupation 4: 24 June 1880, Lawyer<sup>3</sup>

Occupation 5: 01 June 1900, Lawyer<sup>38</sup>

Property: 02 July 1860, 320 acres Sec. 23, Twp. 8 S, Range 16 W.<sup>39</sup>

Religion: 1852, Joined the Methodist Church<sup>40</sup>

Residence: 03 November 1850, Princeton Boarding House, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas<sup>41</sup>

Marriage Notes for AGNESS SMITH and ROBERT FULLER:

State of Arkansas

County of Dallas

This is to certify that P. Andrew Hunter Minister of the Gospel in the Methodist E. Church South did on the 4th day of February 1852 Solomize the rites of matrimony between Robert T. Fuller aged about 27 years and wife Agnes B. Smith aged about 17 years both of the County of Dallas and State of Arkansas. The above marriage solominized recording to the forms and customs said, M. E. Church South. My credentials recorded in the Clerks Office in the city of Little Rock, Arkansas, February 20th, 1845.

Given under my hand the 5th day of February 1852.

Andrew Hunter, Minister

More About ROBERT FULLER and AGNESS SMITH:

Marriage: 04 February 1852, Princeton Twp., Dallas, Arkansas

 JAMES CLACK SMITH<sup>42</sup>, b. 04 December 1837, Mulberry, Lincoln, Tennessee<sup>42</sup>; d. 01 July 1839, Mulberry, Lincoln, Tennessee<sup>42</sup>.

More About JAMES CLACK SMITH:

Burial: July 1839, Dance Cemetery, Moore, Tennessee<sup>42</sup>

Burial 2: July 1839, Dance Cemetery is located 1 1/2 miles north of Lynchburg. There are 35 marked graves, many field stones & many unmarked graves<sup>42</sup>

#### Endnotes

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- 2. Carol Ann Vian Bennett has a copy of cemetery records.
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- 6. Granville County, North Carolina Marriage Web Site.
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- 8. Carol Ann Bennett has a copy of the census.
- 9. Lincoln County, Tennessee Tax List for 1829-1832.
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- 33. Carol Ann Bennett has a copy of the census.
- 34. Chuck Fuller's Information.

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- 36. Carol Ann Bennett has a copy of the census.
- 37. Chuck Fuller has the original graduation certificate.
- 38. Carol Ann Bennett has a copy of the census.
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- 40. Chuck Fuller's Information.
- 41. Carol Ann Bennett has a copy of the census.
- 42. Carol Ann Vian Bennett has a copy of cemetery records.