

Estes Trails

An Estes Family Newsletter

ESTES FAMILY DNA UPDATE by Roberta Estes

I've just done a major update to our Estes family DNA website and I'd like to share this with members. A few months ago Family Tree DNA rolled out some new tools for volunteer administrators. One of these was the ability to subgroup projects by whatever method the administrator felt would be useful. I've created family groupings based on the Estes family and the genealogy of those who have participated in the DNA testing project. There are a few folks who have not submitted their genealogy, but hopefully they will soon. I use a combination of genealogy and DNA to group folks.

In some cases, you'll notice that someone in a group won't match the rest of the people in the group - and I don't mean by one or two markers, but significantly. In this case, the genealogy says one thing and the DNA says another. We call these undocumented adoptions. I have left them in the group where they think they belong as there may eventually be other folks who match them and think the same thing.

Another group is titled "New Estes Lines". This is the case where the participant carries the Estes surname, but they don't match the ancestral Kent, England line. This is a new Estes line and I've documented them as such.

In some cases, I don't have enough genealogy info to group someone, as they are brick walled fairly recently. Those folks are in a group called "Estes Ungrouped - Cannot be Grouped by DNA and Older Genealogy Unknown." Hopefully they can make a breakthrough. Take a look and see if you can help them. To view the project, go to www.familytreedna.com/public/estes and click on Y-DNA results at the top of the page.

For participants who have not entered their oldest ancestor information on their personal, page,

the field called "Paternal Ancestor Name" will be blank. It's very helpful to include this information. Someone may see this and contact you with information that will help break down your brick wall, wherever it is, or just make contact with you as a cousin. To update your ancestor information at Family Tree DNA, sign on to your personal page and then click on "user preferences" on the left hand toolbar, then scroll down to where you see the field for Paternal Side. Fill in that blank box and then be sure to click on UPDATE, or it won't. If you have trouble, I'll do it for you if you'll e-mail me with your information.

Hopefully this little facelift will make our project more attractive, useful and will perhaps attract new people to the project.

WILL THE REAL ABRAHAM PLEASE STANDUP! By Roy Eastes

Over the years many web sites and personal records show Abraham Estes was an Indentured servant and brought to Virginia by the daughter of Thorogood Keeling. This probably is not true and here are some facts that place reasonable doubt on the subject.

A long time ago, someone picked up the book, *Cavaliers and Pioneers, Abstracts of Virginia Land Patents and Grants, Vol. 2:1666-1695*, Indexed by Claudia B. Grundman, Richmond, VA, and on page 234 they found this record :

" LUCY KEELING, daughter of Thorowgood Keeling, deceased, 300 acres, Lower Norfolk Co.; Lynhaven Parish,

*20 April 1682, page 146. Beginning on a point on the Dildoe branch to branch dividing this & Jno. Johnson; &c Bequeathed by said Keeling to said Lucy, to be possessed with the same after the death of my wife Lucy (now Lucy Haise) etc.-
Trans. of 6 persons Abraham Easter, Jno Rose,*

Richard Cock, Margaret Wollingham, Elizab. Sixworth, Robt Calderwood. "

They and "we" have always "assumed" the name Easters was miss spelled and meant to be Estes! *But was it?* When looking into this issue, we find the Keeling family that "Transported" Abraham Easter laid claim to some 300 acres in Lower Norfolk Co., VA.

Then a further research shows there was an Abraham Easter who lived in Hyde County, NC and when we look at a map of the area, the distance between Lower Norfolk Co., VA and Hyde County, NC are not far apart. Also note that King & Queen Co. where Abraham raised his family and died is far in the opposite direction from City Point, his place of debarkation.

Look at this time line:

1674 - January - Abraham arrives at City Point, VA - (Registered in Bobbit Family Bible and web site
1682 - 20 April - (8 Years later) Lucy Keeling "Transports" Abraham Easter & 5 others into Lower Norfolk Co.; Lynhaven Parish. (Book Cavaliers and Pioneers) - This is not proof of Indenture.

1683 - Abraham Estes signs Petition in Stephens Parish indicating he is a Free Man. (VA Parish Record) 1704 - Abraham Estes paid Quit Rent on 200 acres in King & Queens County. ("The Estes Book." by Edward N. McAllister, 09-09-1904-09-13-1968 quotes records in Library of VA)

1720 - Abraham Estes dies. ("Planters of Colonial Va." page 255; file box 1784-5, Amelia Co., VA and above reference).

1751 - 18 November - A will for Abraham Easter names his wife - Elizabeth, a son - James and daughter - Mary. (Grimes Abstracts of Wills, 1690-1760 p. 107)

Facts Showing There Were Two Separate Men

1. Abraham Estes is shown in the Bobbitt Bible as being on the Flyboat Martha and landing at City Point, VA in January **1674**.

2. Lucy Keeling Transports Abraham Easter on 20 April **1682** & Abraham Estes signs a Petition in **1683** in St Stephen Parish as a Free Man.

3. Also, a Will for Abraham Easter has been located in Grimes Abstracts of Wills, 1690-1760 p. 107 that states: Easter, Abraham - Hyde County, NC - November 18, 1751. December Court, 1751; and names a son James, a daughter Mary and wife Elizabeth.

4. Abraham Estes Died in **1720** and - Abraham Easters will was dated **1751**.

5. The record in the book, Cavaliers and Pioneers, Abstracts of Virginia Land Patents and Grants, Vol. 2:1666-1695, states - "Trans. 016 persons Abraham Easter -"

This is **PROOF**- there were two persons in the area with the similar surnames and with the first name of Abraham!

Persons who had their passage to Virginia paid by someone else may be listed among head-rights or as a "**transported**" person and still not be an indentured servant. Records show that some ship Captains claimed head-rights for their crew then bought their land from them for a bottle of rum. They were not indentured servants.

Then from "Indentured Servitude in America" - by Deanna Barker: "There was also a great demand for skilled craftsmen. If an indentured servant had a skill that was in demand, like weaving, smithing or carpentry, the chance of negotiating a shorter contract was quite good." Abraham was a skilled worker, a weaver of linen, a profession not easily to train into and was tightly controlled by the Guilds in England.

From the library of VA - The presence of a name as a head-right in a land patent, establishes that a person of a certain name had entered Virginia prior to the date of the patent; **but it does not prove** when or how the person immigrated or who was initially entitled to the head-right.

The record in the "Cavaliers and Pioneers" book cannot be accepted as "conclusive" evidence that Abraham Estes was an indentured servant! Maybe Abraham Estes was an indentured servant. But again, maybe he was Not. If we are to prove he was an indentured servant, more evidence must be found! So, here are some suggested areas of interest that need further research:

1. Abraham arrived in Ciity Point, VA in January 1674. He next appears in 1683 when he signs a Petition in St Stephens Parish indicating he is a Free Man.(VA Parish Record)

Where was he and what was he doing these 9 years? If he was under a normal indenture, he would have been free in 7 years or in 1681. Where was he the two years from 1681 to 1683?

2. Assuming that Abraham was indentured on arrival in 1674 and served 7 years to 1681 and since indentured servants were only paid with room, board and clothing, it was quite a feat to acquired the land he paid taxes on in 1704. However, the 200 acres in 1704 would have been valued at about One English Pound sterling or 240 lbs of tobacco which was used as legal tender at the time. The tax rates varied.

3. One of the three passengers who traveled with Abraham on the Flyboat Martha was John Skinner a haberdashery business man. What if Abraham had an agreement with John Skinner prior to leaving England to do weaving for him. Cloth was in big demand in the Colonies. What if Abraham had agreed to weave or possible setup a weaving business and train people for the job. Weaving was not difficult but it was a monotonous job and caused many weavers to change professions. Due to this, women were moving into the craft in England at that time.

Maybe this is where Abraham made money to buy land. Indentures were written and designed in many way to fit specific situations. Possibly Skinner paid Abraham's passage and a salary to get the weaving business going.

4. The main occupation in that area was tobacco farming. Indentured Servants could not marry without permission. There was no chance for upward mobility among the servants nor their families. Yet in later years, Abraham sired a large family and 5 of his sons acquired over 2000 acres just in Hanover Co. as well as other places.

5. There was only two ways Abraham could have acquired the land. Either Abraham bought land or he married a woman who had land that reverted to him when they married.

All this leads into other important areas. Who was Abraham's Spouse? Who were Abraham's children? Where is the confirmation of these family members? Further research will someday show the true picture.

A MAINE ESTES IN MISSOURI? (From off the Internet)

My name is Cynthia " Cindy " Louth and I am the great great grandchild of Clara Lucinda Elkins who's father Edmond Silas Elkins was Charlotte Estes younger brother.

Reubin E. Easter/Estes came to North East Arkansas before the 1880 Census to Craighead County then later to Greene County.

Reubin's brother, Joseph age 25, was living with Thomas C. Patterson and wife Mary in the 1880 Pemiscott County, Missouri, Little Prairie Township. I'm thinking maybe Mary was one of Reubin, Joseph and Jacob, sisters. Reubin says he was born in Missouri.

1860 Census - Kansas, Washington Township - Doniphan County
Jno Estes - 32 years old - Farmer - Born in Maine (That would mean that he would have been born around 1828). I believe Jno may have meant John. Louisa (Wife) - Born in Pennsylvania?? - 21 years old. ?? = means not sure about where she was born. (See 1880 Census)

1880 Census - KS, Doniphan Co. - town of Wathena
 John Estes - 49 years old - Laborer - Born in Bangor
 Maine - Died Feb 21, 1881 in Wathena, KS in 1831
 - His father's birthplace was in Maine and his
 mother's birthplace was also in Maine.
 Louisa (Wife) - 38 years old - keeping house - Born
 in England - Father's birthplace was in England and
 mother's birthplace in Scotland. Four Children:
 James - age 18, John - age 13, William - age 7,
 Lewis - age 6, Henry - age 3. All born in Kansas

1900 Census - MO - Buchanan Co. - St. Joseph
 James Joseph Estes - 39 years old - Born in Kansas,
 November, 1860 - Occupation: Saloon Keeper -
 Father's birthplace, Maine - Mother's birthplace,
 England. Mary (Wife) - 30 years old - Born in
 Ireland (May, 1870) - Citizenship 1875 - Father and
 mother both born in Ireland. Four Children: Ethyl,
 age 8 - Born in Missouri in August, 1891- Edwin,
 age 6 born in Missouri - Henry, age 5 born in
 Missouri - William, age 1 born in Missouri. Living
 with the family: Lewis, age 25 - brother to James

1910 Census - MO - Buchanan Co - St Joseph
 James Joseph Estes - Died in St. Joseph, Missouri,
 August 13, 1918 - Occupation: Foreman at CB&Q
 Railroad. Mary Sheridan (Wife) - 30 years old -
 born in Ireland - May, 1870 Six Children: Ethyl,
 age 18 - Born in Missouri in August, 1891- Edwin,
 age 16 born in Missouri - Henry, age 15 born in
 Missouri - William, age 10 born in MO. Walter,
 age 5 born in MO - Louise, age 2 born in MO.

**THE PORTUGUESE MAKING OF AMERICA:
 MELUNGEONS AND EARLY SETTLERS
 OF AMERICA
 by Manuel Mira**

**[Editors Note: In the June issue of ET we had an
 article about the possibility of a fourth ship on
 the original Columbus voyage. The article
 mentioned the Italian d'Este family. Now, we
 have this about the Portuguese contribution to
 the settlement of America and once again it
 mentions the d'Este family.]**

Anyone who studies cartography knows of
 the existence of a Portuguese map dated 1502, the
 so-called Cantino map – a world chart showing the
 Portuguese discoveries – after Alberto Cantino, a

secret agent working for Ercole d'Este in Lisbon.
 Ercole was the heir to Duke Borso d'Este of Ferrara
 on the Italian peninsula. He may have had it
 purchased in Lisbon, Portugal and then forwarded to
 Ferrara, according to the following account: “was
 sent by Cantino...with a note dated date November
 19th, 1502, showing that it must have been
 constructed immediately after the return of the
 vessels of Gaspar's 2nd voyage. It gives a
 representation of the coast of the US from Florida
 northward.

In the beginning of the 16th century, Lisbon
 was a buzzing metropolis where people from diverse
 backgrounds came in search of work, glory or
 fortune. There were also many undercover agents
 looking for the secrets brought by the Portuguese
 voyages to remote lands. Among them was Alberto
 Cantino, who was sent to Portugal by the Duke of
 Ferrara, with the formal intention of horse trading,
 while secretly collecting information on the
 Portuguese Discoveries. Cantino's diligence is
 shown in two of his letters to the Duke, dated from
 17th and 18th of October 1501, where he describes,
 amongst other things, hearing Gaspar Corte-Real
 detailing his latest voyage to Newfoundland (Terra
 Nova) to King Manuel I of Portugal

Probably the Cantino Planisphere is a copy
 of the official prototype existing at Casa da India,
 in Lisbon, where the new discoveries made by the
 Portuguese were recorded, held in secret and named
 the Padro Real. It is conjectured that Cantino was
 able to bribe a certain Portuguese government
 mapmaker with 12 golden ducats (a considerable
 amount for the time) to copy this map for him,
 between December 1501 and October 1502. From a
 letter signed by Cantino, it's thought that he sent
 the map to Duke Ferrara on the 19th of November,
 1502. An Italian inscription in the back of the map
 reads: “Carta de navigar per le Isole nouam trovate
 in le parte de India: dono Alberto Cantino al S.
 Duca Hercole. As a result, this historic cartography
 work, from an anonymous Portuguese author, was
 named Cantino Planisphere (or Cantino World Map)
 – Carta del Cantino (in Italian).

While it enlightened the Italians to many
 new territories as of yet unknown to them, it was
 obsolete within months due to subsequent mapping

voyages by the Portuguese. Nevertheless, its importance to the Portuguese-Italian trade relations should not be understated; this map provided the Italians with knowledge of Brazil's coastline and that of much of the Atlantic Coast of South America long before other nations even knew South America extended so far to the south. It also supplied great details of the Indian Ocean. The geographical information given on the Cantino map was copied into the Italian-made Canerio (or Caveri) map shortly after the Cantino map arrived in Italy and the Canerio, in turn, became the primary source for the design of the newly discovered western lands on the highly influential wall map of the world produced by Martin Waldseemüller in 1507 under the auspices of Rene, Duke of Lorraine.

This old map, made-up by 3 large glued parchment sheets, was kept in the Ducal Library, Ferrara, for about 90 years, until Pope Clement VIII transferred it to another palace in Modena, Italy. More than two centuries later, in 1859, the palace was ransacked and the Cantino Map lost. It was found by Giuseppe Boni, Director of the Biblioteca Estense, in that same year, in a butcher's store in Modena. The Cantino world map can currently be found in Modena, Italy, at the Biblioteca Estense http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cantino_planisphere

THE SEARCH FOR BARBARA – SPOUSE OF ABRAHAM ESTES , SR.

By Roy Eastes

The search for the true spouse of Abraham Estes, Sr., has baffled researchers for years and many have questioned the marriage of Abraham to Barbara Brock and to the validity of the list of children and their birth dates.

During the last several months I have searched for information on Barbara Brock. In so doing, I have enlisted the help of other researchers on the Brock and Estes mail lists, I searched the National Archives in England as well as land records and other resources here in the US. The results of this search has produced - absolutely nothing! Others researchers have had the same disappointments.

We know that many records were destroyed in the "Burned Counties" during the Civil War, so we just

stopped looking. We must not give up searching! I am sure the information is out there somewhere. Probably, in the Virginia State Library.

As early as 1988, (it may have started earlier) dedicated researchers began looking closely at the information about Barbara Brock and Abraham and have made some serious allegations. In the July 1988 issue of Estes Trails periodical, there is an article titled, "Talking to Myself" by Kitty Savage, a well-known, dedicated researcher who is now deceased. This article covers some 5 pages and brings up some serious questions about the name of Abraham's spouse and children. These same questions have been ask by others, but no solutions have ever been found but in some cases there are reasonable theories.

This document is divided into two parts. First we will look into the name of Abraham Sr.'s Spouse. Second we will look at their children.

Was Barbara Brock the Spouse of Abraham Sr. ?

It is shown on many web sites, LDS Records and Commercial CDs, that Abraham married Barbara Brock on 29 December 1682/1684 in St. Stephens Parish, King and Queen Co., VA. But they show no source of their information. All queries fall back on – "The Burned Counties."

Wills for Abraham and Barbara have never been found. However in "The Estes Book" by McAllister, 1972, contans a 1770 document titled, "The Answer of Elisha Estes to the Bill in Chancery Exhibited against him by Moses Estes" and contained in File Box 1784-5, Amelia Co., VA.

Moses is the son of Abraham the immigrant. His earliest records involve his father's will. He was orphaned and resided with his sister until he was of age. The following information is from the Estes Book by Edward N. McAllister, 09-09-1904 to 09-13-1968 and was provided by Hazel Estes.

Abraham Estes was of King and Queen County, Virginia in 1704 paid tax on 200 acres of land there. He died 21 November 1720 in Virginia, and left wife Barbara who made a will Nov. 25, 1720. ("Planters of Colonial Va." page 255; file box 1784-5, Amelia co., Va. Examined at Va. State Library.

(Hening's Statutes At Large, Vol. VII page 201)

Much data upon the family has been recorded in connection with "The answer of Elisha Estes to the Bill in chancery exhibited against him by Moses Estes" contained in File Box 1784-5, Amelia co., Va. which was at the Virginia State Library in 1948.

The following excerpt from this document:

" in.....1720 on the 21 day of November your Orator's late father, Abraham Estes, departed this life after making and constituting in writing his last will and Testament, and thereby after specifically devising part of his Estate did give, or either leave, his whole personal Estate to **his wife, Barbara Estes**, during her natural life and to be disposed of amongst his children then living as she might think proper. He further showeth that the said Barbara Estes, agreeable to the Trust and Confidence aforesaid resposed in her by her late husband, your Orator's said father, **on the 25th day of November in the Year of Our Lord Christ 1720, made in writing her last Will and Testament** and thereby after giving an inconsiderable part of her aforesaid husband's estate to several of her children hereby mentioned, Elisha Estes, Thomas Poor and Susanna, his wife, for the sole benefit of you Orator and Barbara Estes, Your Orator's Sister,.... but with a provision that if....either of the named should die, then the same to be equally divided amongst Sylvester, Thomas, Elisha, Robert, Richard, John, Moses Estes, Mary Watkins? Susanna Poor, and Sarah Estes.

Elisha Estes, executor"

The November 25, 1720 will of Barbara Estes was not found in the Amelia co., file box, However Elisha Estes made deposition Jun 29, 1770 that money left to Moses Estes had been used to care for him as he was sickly. Thomas Poore made deposition in 1770 that Barbara and Moses Estes came to live with them after death of their father and Moses was 10 years old and Barbara was 8.

Amelia file Box 1785 shows Elizabeth Harris, aged about 60 made deposition that 48 or 9 years ago, Moses and Barbary, orphans of Abraham Estis, came to live with Tho. Poore, this deponent's father who was Exor. to the decd, Barbary Estis.

Witness R. Sames. (no date was shown)

So, This confirms Abrahams death date and that his spouse first name was Barbara.

Brock is not mentioned anywhere in past Estes reliable records. The origin or source of the surname of Brock relating to a Barbara, was not found. No one subscribing to the BROCK mail list could help locate a Barbara in the proper time frame.

Abraham Sr.'s spouse's maiden name - Was Not Brock and here is my opinion as to what happened!

Apparently, the name Barbara Brock was tacked on to Abraham Sr. by mistake!

Abraham Sr had a son, Abraham Jr., who had a daughter Barbara who married Henry Brock – therefore her name was changed to Barbara Brock. Incidentally, Henry's father was Robert Brock whose will, names his son Henry.

Apparently, about 1972 someone found Abraham II (Jr.) and his daughter Barbara whose married name was Brock. Not noticing that this was Abraham Jr and not Senior, and since the spouse of Abraham, Sr., the immigrant was Barbara, they assumed her maiden name was Brock. This is an error that many of us have made in the past with people of the same given and surnames.

This error was posted somewhere and later transferred to the internet. Now there are untold hundreds and maybe thousands of personal records, internet posting, LDS records and commercial records that are in error!

Here is an outline showing Barbara Estes /Brock relationship:

..... 1 Abraham Estes (1647 - 1720) b: 1647 in Nonington, England, d: 21 Nov 1720 in King & Queens Co., Va

..... + Ann Burton

..... + Barbara Unknown b: King & Queen Co.,
Va, m: Abt. 1680 in King & Queen Co.,
Virginia, d: King & Queen Co, Va

..... 2 Abraham Estes Jr. (1697 - 1759) b:
1697 in King & Queen Co., Virginia, d: 08 Feb
1759 in Caroline County, Va

..... + Ann (- 1735) m: 1717, d: 1735

..... 3 Abraham III Estes (1717 - 1780)
b: Abt. 1717 in Caroline County, Virginia, d: 15
Jan 1780 in Spotsylvania County, Virginia

..... + Ann (2) Clarke (1725 - 1745) b:
Abt. 1725, m: Abt.1745, d: Aft. 1745

..... 3 Elizabeth Estes

..... 3 Catherine Estes (1718 -) b: Abt.
1718 in NC

..... + unknown Tamplin

..... 3 Mary Estes (1724 -) b: Abt. 1724
in NC

..... 3 Samuel Estes (1726 -) b: Abt.
1726 in NC

..... 3 Phillip Estes (1728 - 1794) b: Abt.1728
in NC, Va, d: Abt. 1794 in Carolina, Co, Va

..... + Ann Harris

..... 3 Elisha 16 Estes (1744 - 1821) b:
1744 in Nelson County, d: 1821

..... + Cecelia Rebecca Thorpe (1750 -)

..... 3 Barbara Estes (1719 - 1793)

b: Abt. 1719 in St Stevens Parish, King & Queen
Co., VA, d:1793 in Spotsylvania, Co. VA

..... + Henry Brock (b: ?? - 1781) b:
Spotsylvania Co., VA, d: 1781 in Spotsylvania Co.,

..... 4 Elizabeth Brock

..... 4 Hannah Brock

..... 4 Henry Brock

..... 4 John Brock

..... 4 Joseph Brock

..... 4 Mary Brock

Abraham Estes Jr. 2nd Spouse -

+ Elizabeth Jeeter (- 1774) m: 1740, d:1774.

3 Lucy Estes (1741 -) b: Abt. 1741 in
Caroline Co., Va

..... 3 Elisha 16 Estes (1744 - 1821) b: 1744
in Nelson County, Va, d: 1821

..... + Cecelia Rebecca Thorpe (1750 -)

..... 3 Edmund Estes (1750 - 1819) b: 1750
in St. Margaret, Caroline County, Virginia, d: 22
Jan 1819 in Cumberland, Lunenburg County, VA

Here is a quote of a part of the will for Abraham Jr.
that verifies his daughter as Barbara Brock:

"In the name of God Amen. I Abraham Estes of the
County of Caroline and Parish of St. Margaretts...

Item: I have given my former wife's children
namely Catherine Tamplin, Abraham Estes,(III)
BARBERY BROCK, Mary Booten, Samuel Estes
and Philip Estes all that I do intend to give them and
my will is that they shall have no more of my
Estate.

He must of had some kind of problems with his first
family! Also the will for Robert Brock names
Henry as his son.

Recommendations:

We should all encourage others to change their
records posted wherever to show Abraham Sr's
spouse's surname as UNKNOWN. It definitely is
NOT Brock! This will be hard to do as there will be
many who will not cooperate for many reasons.

Just because Barbara Estes' will disappeared, we
should not give up searching! I feel the information
is out there somewhere and one day – it will be
found!

There is a reference to a book, "Planters of
Colonial VA " That needs investigating.

In the book, " Handy Book for Genealogists," by
Everton Publishers, states:

"Until 1786, the Episcopal Church was the State
Church in Virginia. All children, regardless of

religious affiliations, were required to be baptized by the Ministers of that Church. Together with their names, dates of birth and names of parents were entered into the parish records. The same was required of all marriages and burials. These records are available in the Virginia State Library.”

Since they Abraham Sr. and Barnbara were married in St Stevens Parish of King & Queen County, there may be a marriage record or birth records in the archives of that church. About that time the church was very strict about recording marriages, births and deaths.

If someone had the time to spend in the State library in Virginia, new information may be found.

I am unable to pursue this avenue.

WEB SITES OF INTEREST

A recent reading of the Kent Family History Society Journal brought to light several good research sites once again. You should always visit a site more than once. New information is always being posted. I found this one of particular interest All of these sites are in Britain.

www.eastkenthistory.org.uk

Lots of interesting material here - Notable burials in St. Leonard's , wills of Deal residents and parish population histories. www.lostcousins.com
www.curiousfox.com www.findmypast.co.uk

They have links to the British National Archives and to death records research.

For more recent material try out -
www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk

ESTES/EASTES WEB SITE

David Powell has been hosting our web site. You should be able to find David and check us out at <http://www.roots-boots.net/ft/estes> and or www.estes-eastes.org There is also a link to Stew Estes' book and of course most of Roy Eastes work.

CAN YOU IDENTIFY THIS FAMILY?

Cousin Stew Estes is trying to help out a friend, Bob Bowman, by identifying this couple. Can anyone help? Bob can be reached at b Bowmanwindows@aol.com

“My grandmother was the adopted daughter of Paul Fielding Kefauver and Lucy Cornelia Estes. Lucy was the daughter of Joel Henry Estes and Martha Ann Mann.I have several old pictures of the Estes family in my possession that I can not identify. Would you be interested in trying to identify who they are for me? **I am attaching a photo of Paul, Lucy, and my grandmother, Viola.**”

Sincerely, Bob Bowman



[Editor's Note: I tried to connect Paul Kefauver to Tennessee Senator Estes Kefauver but could not make a connection. Senator Kefauver was the son of Robert C. Kefauver and Phredonia Bradford Estes. Estes died in office in 1963.]

MARY MILDRED ESTES

Provided by Bobbi Estes

Hi Larry, I have some goodies for you for Estes Trails. "If you remember, Susannah Y. Estes (1800-1870) in Halifax County, Virginia was the daughter of George Estes and Mary Younger. She had 5 children, all illegitimate, between 1814 and 1835. Among them were two sons and 3 daughters. The sons were Ezekiel, born about 1814 and died in 1885 in Halifax County, Virginia. Another son, Marcus, was born between 1825 and 1830, married Mary Stone in Caswell Co., NC, the neighbor county to Halifax, and went to Arkansas. In her estate records, the family doesn't know the whereabouts of this son and Susannah doesn't even know the names of her grandchildren. I find that terribly sad. We don't know what happened to Marcus, but I did find him in the census with 3 children, Charles, Celestia and Sally before he disappears between 1850 and 1860. Susannah's daughters were Sarah born in 1818 who married John Mountcastle, Malissa, born in 1835, who married William Giles and who was reported to be "not quite right", and Mary Mildred born between 1825 and 1830 who married William Greenwood. Until Judy's letter, we knew nothing of this family either. She was kind enough to send photos of Mary Mildred Estes Greenwood with 2 daughters."

"Sadly, the only photograph we have of Ezekiel is the one attached. Ezekiel of course was the brother of Mary Mildred. Anyway, thought you might enjoy these and find them useful for Estes Trails."

From: Judy Crank [mailto:jbcrank@verizon.net]
 "I am including here the photos I have of **Mary Mildred Estes (Greenwood, Jacobs) and her daughters, Mary Jane Greenwood, on the left, and Nancy Elizabeth, on the right.** >>>>>

Mary Jane married James Nathaniel Murray, and Nancy Elizabeth married his brother, John Thomas Murray. Mary Mildred's picture is scanned from an original but the two photos of the three women are obviously from copies. I don't know why the difference." (See page 16 for short family chart.)



Mary Mildred Estes Greenwood
 (See chart on page 16)



Her brother,
 Ezekiel Estes



LAKE ERIE / OHIO ESTES

Provided by Shirley Pitchford,
spitchford@centurylink.net

In June, we went to the southern shore of Lake Erie on vacation. We took a ferry over from Marblehead to Kelly's Island (Erie County) and then a golf cart tour of the island. On the tour we passed a cemetery and I caught a glimpse of a stone with ESTES on it, but didn't make our son turn around and go back. The we saw an old two story school with "ESTES 1901" on the front.

When we got home I wrote to their historical society and have received a reply. It is not our line but a northern Estes family. If you want to use any of this in any way, please do.

The names of the people who are buried at the Kelley Island Cemetery are: Adeline, wife of James, 1819 -1 1895; James, father, 1815-1845; James, son of James and Adeline, 1845 - 1898; Lydia, wife of David Norris, 1778 -1854

The old "school" or house is known as the James Estes Residence and Wine Cellar. It is situated on the southeast shore, about 900 feet west of Harbor Lane, on Kelley's Island. The house was built around 1876.

John and Adeline Estes, the parents of James Estes, came to Kelley's Island from New York and 1840 and were one of the first families to purchase land from the Kelley's. They bought 100 acres fro \$800 on the island's southeast shore ana erected a first class hewn log cabin. James was born in 1845, the year his father died. His mother maintained the farm and in 1857 started a vineyard of 100 vines. In her employment, around 1860, was a Fred Shippel, who later established his own winery and vineyard on a parcel of land just to the west. By 1888, 37 acres were devoted to grapes.

James Estes served in the Civil War on the call of the 100 days men. He was a prominent island fruit farmer and grape grower who also operated a basement winery which had 3,000 gallons of wine in storage in 1872. In 1886 he became a major stockholder in the Kelley's Island Wine Co. He was also a trustee and councilman of Kelley's Island Township. His home was considered one of th finest residences on the island.

THE FAMILY OF ROBERT LEE ESTES
 provided by Janice Estes Whitchurch

(Family Charts to follow)

Sarah Charlotte Atkins was the second child of Stephen R. Atkins and Melciena Wallace. She was born in Maries County, Missouri on May 22, 1871. Sarah married **Harvey J. Estes** on July 4, 1902. Sarah was the second wife (maybe third) of Harvey J. Estes who was born on July 24, 1853 in Calloway County, Missouri. Together they had one son, John Sylvester Estes, who was born in Belle, Missouri on June 8, 1903. John had two half brothers, Charlie and Everett Eldorado Lee Estes. We don't know much about them. Charlie was killed in a lumber accident when he was logging trees for railroad ties.



John Sylvester with parents, Harvey J. Estes and wife, Sarah Charlotte Atkins Estes

Sometime between 1903 and 1914, the Estes family moved from Belle, Maries County, Missouri to Shannon County, Missouri where John attended the Dutch Hollow School. About 1918, the family lived in Sterling, Missouri (information from family pictures). They also lived and farmed around Cabool, Missouri. Census information indicates that Sarah Charlotte Atkins Estes was educated. At this time, farmers earned extra money during the winter by hewing logs for railroad ties.

It appears from family pictures that Sarah Charlotte's brother, James Atkins (with his family) and sister Rilda Palmer (with her husband, Bent and son Eric) lived in the area of Summersville, MO.

Information from the 1920 census shows that Harvey J. Estes was a 67 year old farmer. He rented a place on Willow Springs Road. Harvey J. Estes never learned to read or write. He also worked as a wood chopper of cord wood. Harvey J. Estes died in the Township of Willow Springs, Howell County, Missouri on December 31, 1925 at the age of 72 and is buried at Cheshire Cemetery, Mill Creek, Willow Springs Township, Howell Country, Missouri.

Obituary of Harvey J. Estes

- Harvey J Estes passed away at the home of his son, John Estes, Tuesday, Dec, 32, aged 72 years, 3 months and 7 days. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Wintjen. The deceased was born Calloway County, Missouri, July 2, 1853. He leaves a wife and two sons, Rado, who lives in Illinois and John, with whom he lived. A son, Charles, died several years ago. He never united with any church, but was a firm believer in the Christian faith.

Robert Lee and Alice Daniel Estes moved from Dove Creek, Colorado on September 27, 1950. Alice had yellow jaundice and was told by her doctor to move to a drier climate. They packed the car with what it could hold, including the crib for Janice Carole (age about 9 months old) and headed for Las Vegas, Nevada.

When they arrived in Las Vegas, they stayed with Alice's sister and her family, Vance and Eudora Taylor for about 2-3 weeks in the Kelso Turner Housing Project. Bob started working at a nursery planting grass for a few days, then he got a call to work at Nellis Air Force Base on 10/4/50. Bob & Alice then got a one bedroom trailer on 12th Street for several weeks.

From there they rented a one-bedroom house in the 300 block of North 12th Street. This is the place they were living when their daughter, Barbara Joyce was born. Bob also took a second job at a Truck Stop servicing Garrett Truck. The night manager quit, so Bob was offered to the job.

(Family Group Sheets of Harvey J. Estes and John Sylvester Estes on page 16.)



Cynthia Ann Martin Estes and husband John, parents of Harvey J Estes.

ESTES GIRL MARRIES WELL, PRODUCES WELL

by Larry D. Duke

In reality of course, many of our Estes women have married well and enriched the family both financially and genetically. We are not just Estes but are equal parts of whomever they married.

Having said that, we all know that individually, some people marry much better than others. One of the Estes girls to marry well was in my personal line. She was born, Martha Elizabeth Estes, on Feb. 10, 1839, the daughter of Thomas Estes and Irania Ann Malone. Thomas was born in North Carolina, way back in 1799, the same year George Washington died. The family first moved on to Tennessee but in the 1850' he moved to north central Arkansas, where he left many sons. With the Civil War about to start in 1861, Thomas packed up some of his children and moved by way of the Oregon Trail to Washington.

This was actually his second family, by two wives he had a total of 18 children. On the way to Washington, he left sons and nephews that would found families in Idaho. This is why I have relations all over this country.

His first child by his second wife, was Martha Elizabeth, she was born Feb. 10, 1839 in Henry County, TN . By late 1862 the family was settled on the prairie not far from Walla Walla. In 1863 Martha was married to David Rufus King. The family was very well connected and their son, William Rufus King, born Oct.3, 1864, became a lawyer and politician in Oregon.

In 1874 the family moved to Malheur Co., OR where he received his basic education. William then attended Oregon Agricultural College and then transferred to Central Normal College in IN to study law. He received his law degree in IN in July 1891. He then returned to OR and was elected to the State House of Representatives as a Democrat. He then elected to the State Senate in 1894. In 1898 he ran for Governor but lost. William was

then appointed as the Commissioner of the Oregon Supreme Court on Feb. 23, 1907. Then in 1909 he was appointed to the State Supreme Court. After serving on the Court until 1911, he then moved on to Washington, D.C. as chief counsel for the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation. William continued to move around, living in Honolulu and Los Angeles. He died in a hotel room in Washington, D.C. on June 2, 1934.

Not bad for the son of a girl who came West by wagon train in 1861.

CALIFORNIA OBITUARIES

Provided by Beverly Pugh, Oregon State University
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Beverly is looking for information on Flora P. Clark and husband, Edwin A. Estes. She has provided these obituaries from California . Can anyone help?

Flora Permelia Clark Estes Oakland Tribune 25 Jan 1926

Died in Oakland, January 21, 1926, Flora Estes, beloved mother of Edward, William G., Leonard, Roy Estes and Mrs. Ida Seem, and grandmother of John Thomas, Mrs Alameda Smoot, Thelma Seem and Leslie, Leon and Gale Estes, and aunt of Roland Estes; a native of Oregon, aged 68 years. Interment, Evergreen cemetery.

Edwin A, Estes - Edwin Estes funeral services for Edwin Estes, 65, who died May. 28 at the Josephine County General Hospital, will be held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the all funeral home with interment at the 100F cemetery. The Masonic lodge will conduct graves side services. He was born July 25,1875 at Comstock, Ore. He leaves his wife Jennie Estes of Grants Pass and one sister, Mrs. Ada Beem of Oakland, Calif., and two brothers, Roy Estes of Oakland, and W.G. Este of Dunsmuir.

WE CAN ALWAYS USE NEW MATERIAL OR
FAMILY CHARTS - SEND THEM IN!

William Gray Estes
Oregonian Dec 2 1960

Died November 30, 1960, William G. Estes, 419 NE 95th, father of William H., brother of Roy E. Estes, Oakland. Services Saturday at 10 a.m. in Gable's Sunrise Chapel. Friends invited. Interment Skyline Memorial Gardens.

Leonard Bert Estes
The Searchlight Redding, CA Jan. 4, 1933

Leonard B. Estes, 62, died following months of illness. An illness of many months ended Monday afternoon for Leonard Bert Estes, 62, when he passed on at his home in the Latona district, near the Anderson road. Estes was born in Drain, Or., June 12, 1870, but had lived in Shasta county the last 25 years. For several years he conducted a service station in Redding, but gave it up about three years ago on account of failing health. Since leaving Redding Estes has resided on the little chicken ranch in Latona district. Last spring he was seriously ill and since has been an invalid. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Maud Estes; two children, Mrs. Gayle Smith of Santa Rosa and Roland Estes of Redding; three brothers, W.G. Estes of Dunsmuir, Edward Estes Grants Pass, OR and Roy Estes in Oakland; a sister, Mrs. Ada Beem of Oakland, and several nieces and nephews. The funeral will be conducted Thursday at 2 p.m. from the chapel of the Home Undertaking Company.

The Searchlight Redding, CA Jan. 5, 1933
 Estes Funeral Today

The funeral services for L. B. Estes who passed away on Monday afternoon at his home in the Latona district following a long illness, will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon in the chapel of the Home Undertaking Company. Rev. E. E. Malone will officiate and internment will be made in the Redding cemetery.

The Searchlight Redding, CA Jan. 6, 1933

ESTES FUNERAL HELD

The chapel of the Home Undertaking Company was filled Thursday afternoon when friends and relatives gathered to pay their last respects to Leonard B. Estes, who passed away on Monday at his home in the Latona district. Rev. E. E. Malone read the funeral services and burial was made in the Redding cemetery. Floral tributes were numerous and beautiful. The pallbearers were J. Elton Richardson, C. T. Combs, Harry O. Tracy, Ethan Papineau, C.H. House and Vern Ferguson.

Ada Maud Estes-Thomas-Beem
Oakland Tribune November 23, 1941

In Oakland, November 21, 1941, Ada M. Beem, beloved wife of Everett Beem, loving mother of Mrs. Thelma Martin of Oakland, Mrs. Meda Smoot of Orinda, John R. Th., mas of Arling, Washington; sister of Roy Estes of Oakland and W. G. Estes of Dunsmuir, and late Estes of Grants pass, Oregon and L. B. Estes of Redding; daughter of the late Flora Estes of Oakland; stepdaughter of Nellie F. and Meyer S. Beem of Oakland. A native of Drain, Oregon, aged 58 years, 10 months, 22 days. Friends are invited to attend services at The Grant D. Miller Mortuaries, Inc., Oakland, Monday, November 24, 1941, at 2 o'clock p.m. Rev. J. B. Orr, officiating. Interment at Evergreen Cemetery.

John Roy Estes
Oakland Tribune May 9, 1962

ESTES, John Roy, of 2914 23rd Avenue, Oakland, in Oakland May 9, 1962, beloved husband of the late Mary Agnes Estes; loving father of Leslie H. Estes; father-in-law of Margine N. Estes; uncle of William Estes of Portland, Oregon, Rollin Estes of Redding, John Thomas and Mrs. Alameda Smoot of San Leandro. A native of Oregon; ages 74 years. Friends are respectfully invited to attend funeral services Friday May 11, at 3 p.m. at the Fruitvale Chapel of the Clarence N. Cooper Mortuaries. Interment will be at Mount View Cemetery.

ESTES FROM ILLINOIS STATE RECORDS

[Editor's Note: I found this listing on the Internet. While it is all from Estes Trails, I thought it would be nice to present it all together like this. The material may be from information provided by David Powell to another researcher, but of course material gets traded all over the Internet.]

Clark County cemetery records: "War Graves Registration; Casey Cemetery"; Estes Trails, 1981, 2#1. Estes, Robert; d July 10,1925; Pvt, 18 IL Inf., in Civil War

Cumberland County cemetery records: "War Graves Registration; Brush Creek Cemetery"; Estes Trails,1981, 2#1. Estes, G. M.; no date, Corp., Co. E., IL Inf, in Civil War

Edgar County cemetery records: "War Graves Registration; Pleasant Hill Cemetery"; Estes Trails, 1981, 2#1. Estes, Charles T.; d. Dec. 29,1929, Sgt., 79 IL Inf., in Civil War

Edwards County cemetery records: "War Graves Registration; Union Cemetery"; Estes Trails, 1981, 2#1. Estes, W. P.; no date, Pvt., 1st Ind. Cav., in Civil War

Franklin County cemetery records: "War Graves Registration; Masonic & Odd Fellows Cemetery"; Estes Trails, 1981, 2#1. Estes, Laborn; d. Nov. 11, 1918, Pvt., 110 IL Inf, in Civil War

Hamilton County cemetery records: "War Graves Registration; N. Crouch Cemetery"; Estes Trails, 1981, 2#1. Estes, William; mustered from New Orleans (1847), Pvt, 3rd Regt. Mexican War

Jefferson County cemetery records: "War Graves Registration; Pace Cemetery"; Estes Trails, 1981, 2#1. Estes, Joseph; d.28/2/1846; 1812 war "War Graves Registration; Arnold Cemetery"; Estes Trails, 1981, 2#. Estes, John W.; d. June 7, 1916, 132 NY Regt & 50 IL Regt

Jersey County cemetery records:"War Graves Registration; Oak Grove Cemetery"; Estes Trails,

1981, 2#1. Estes, Jerome Andrew; d. May 4,1865 (brother of Nathaniel Green Estes), 14th IL Inf., Civil War

McDonough County cemetery records: "War Graves Registration; Prairie City Cemetery"; Estes Trails, 1981, 2#1. Estes, Andrew P.; d. April 12, 1924; Pvt, 151 IL Inf. in Civil War

Marion County cemetery records: "War Graves Registration; Elmwood Cemetery"; Estes Trails, 1981, 2#1. Estes, Christopher C.; d. May 6, 1927, Sgt, 110 IL Inf, in Civil War

Sangamon County cemetery records: "War Graves Registration; Sulphur Springs Cemetery"; Estes Trails, 1981, 2#1. Estes, Nathaniel Green; d. Jan.16, 1900; saddler, 11th IL Cav, in Civil War.

Vermillion County cemetery records: "War Graves Registration; National Soldiers Home Cemetery"; Estes Trails, 1981, 2#1. Estes, George H.; d. Nov. 10, 1924, Pvt, 156 IL Inf, Civil War

ST LEONARD'S CHURCH - DEAL

Following are photographs taken by a relative of Roberta J (Bobbi) Estes, Joe Marshfield, on a recent trip to Deal, Kent. Joe shared them with Bobbi and Bobbi then shared them with us. Joe has graciously granted us permission to use them in this issue of Estes Trails. We appreciate this.

In an effort to present the best results, we have decided to print these photo's in color. Of course, those subscribers who take ET by email will see the best results. Later, David Powell will post this issue onto the ET website, others can then see the better photo's. www.estes-eastes.org and/or www.estestrails.roots-boots.net

The tombstone in the yard of St. Leonard's, it is that of Moses Estes, baptized Nov. 12, 1643, d. 1708. He was the son of Richard Estes, Jr and Mary Hyle. This Moses **may be** the grandfather of the Moses Estes who settled in Virginia 1783, but regardless, he is still a relative of ours.



NEXT OF COURSE IS THE ENTRANCE OF ST LEONARD'S CHURCH IN UPPER DEAL, A CHURCH FOUNDED IN 1180.



INTERIOR SHOT OF THE CHURCH ORGAN LOFT, ABOVE THE ENTRANCE HALL



BEAUTIFUL SHOT OF THE CHURCH SIDE ALTER



Family Group Sheet

Husband Harvey J Estes		
Birth	Jul 24, 1853	Callaway Co., MO
Death	Dec 31, 1925	Willow Springs, Howell Co.,
Marriage	Jul 4, 1902	Willow Springs, Howell Co.,
Father	John Estes (1800-1859)	
Mother	Cynthia Ann Martin (1825-)	
Other spouse	Susan Ann Hiles (-)	
Marriage		
Wife Sarah Charlotte Atkins		
Birth	May 22, 1871	Belle, Maries Co., Missouri
Death	Apr 11, 1950	Cortez, CO
Father	Stephen R. Atkins (-)	
Mother	Melciena Wallace (-)	
Children		
1 M	Charles J. (Charly) Estes	
	Birth	Mar 17, 1878 Callaway Co., MO
	Death	Aug 23, 1911
2 F	Lillie Florence Estes	
	Birth	Jul 29, 1883
	Death	Dec 1, 1883
3 M	John Fredrick Estes	
	Birth	Apr 17, 1885
	Death	Apr 28, 1885
4 M	Everett Eldorado Estes	
	Birth	Apr 4, 1886
5 M	John Sylvester Estes	
	Birth	Jun 9, 1903 Belle, Maries Co., Missouri
	Death	Sep 2, 1979 Camp Verda, AZ
	Spouse	Mertie Lee Swanger (1905-1993)
	Marriage	Feb 7, 1923 Marshfield, MO

Family Group Sheet

Husband John Sylvester Estes		
Birth	Jun 9, 1903	Belle, Maries Co., Missouri
Death	Sep 2, 1979	Camp Verda, AZ
Marriage	Feb 7, 1923	Marshfield, MO
Father	Harvey J Estes (1853-1925)	
Mother	Sarah Charlotte Atkins (1871-1950)	
Wife Mertie Lee Swanger		
Birth	Aug 28, 1905	Corbin City, KY
Death	Jun 22, 1993	Dove Creek, CO
Father		
Mother		
Children		
1 M	William Franklin Estes	
	Birth	May 21, 1924 Texas County, MO
	Death	Feb 26, 1985 Sepulvada, CA
2 M	Robert Lee Estes	
	Birth	Nov 7, 1927 Beal, MO
	Death	Jul 28, 2003 Las Vegas, , Nevada
	Spouse	Alice Daniel (1924-2008)
	Marriage	Mar 23, 1949 Dove Creek, CO
3 F	Evelyn June Estes	
	Birth	Apr 7, 1933 Shannon Co., MO
	Spouse	Robert Shutt (-)
	Marriage	
4 M	John Dwaine Estes	
	Birth	Sep 16, 1936 Egnar, CO
	Death	Feb 13, 2003 Flagstaff, Coconino, Arizona
	Spouse	Sue Ann Peckham (1940-)
	Marriage	Feb 7, 1959 Las Vegas, , Nevada
5 F	Clara Mae Estes	
	Death	May 4, 1928
	Birth	May 1, 1938 Egnar, CO

1 **Mary Mildred Estes**

b: abt 1827
 p: Halifax Co, VA
 m:
 p:
 d:
 p:

sp: **William Greenwood**

6 **George Estes Jr.**

b: abt 1763
 p: VA
 m: Dec 1786
 p: Halifax County, VA
 d:
 p:

3 **Susannah Y. Estes**

b: 1800
 p: Halifax Co, VA
 d: 1870
 p:

7 **Mary Younger**

b:

b:

p:

d:

p:

12 **George Estes**

b: abt 1730
 p: Virginia
 m:
 p:
 d:
 p:

13 **Mary Unknown**

b:
 p:
 d:
 p:

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b:

p:

m:

p:

d:

23

b:

d:

24 **Robert Estes**

b: 1695
 d: Apr 13, 1775

25 **Mary Smith**

b:
 d: Oct 1757

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48 **Abraham Estes**

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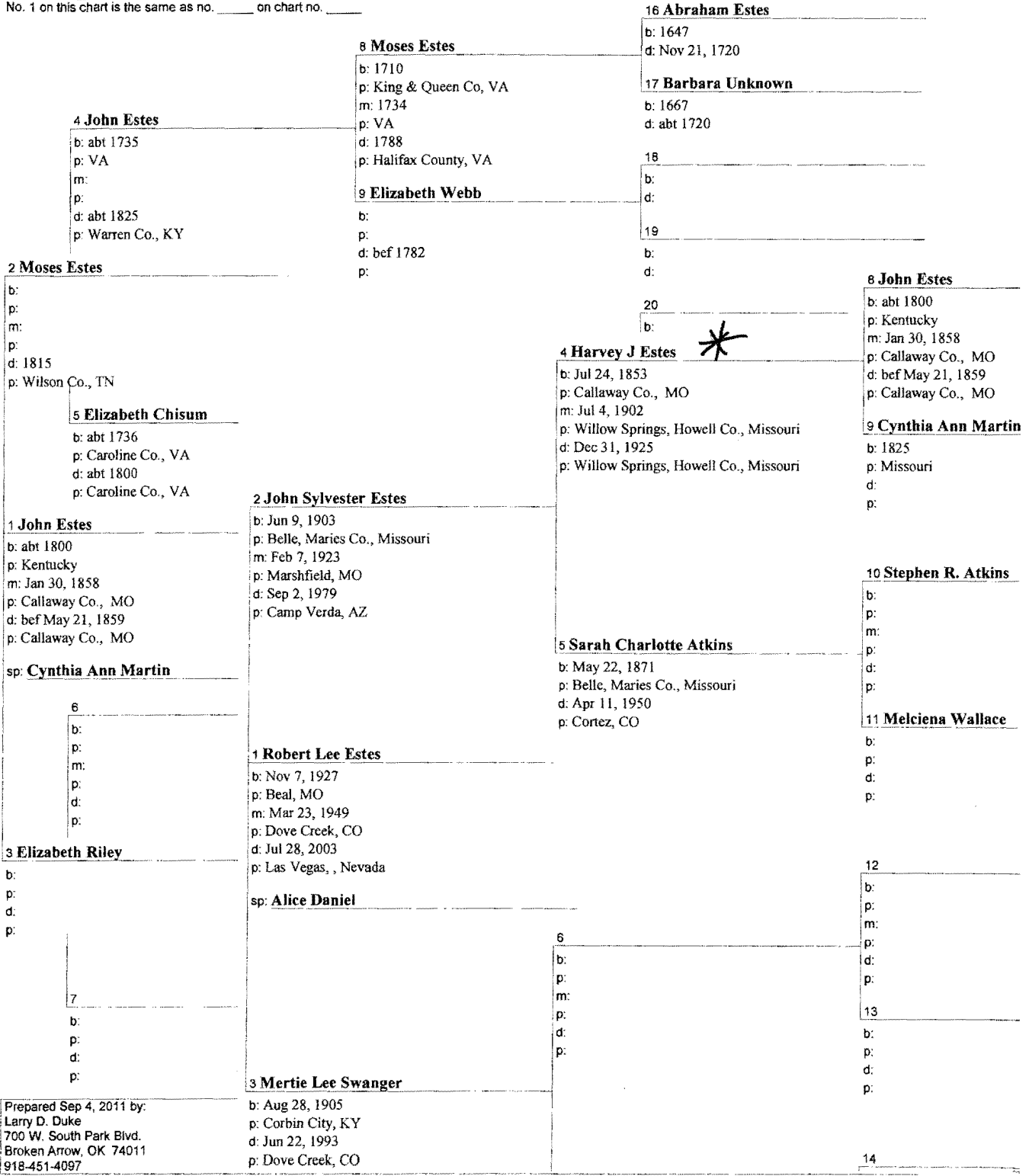
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Pedigree Chart

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