

# Descendants of Richard Singletary

## *Generation No. 1*

1. RICHARD<sup>1</sup> SINGLETARY was born Bet. 1585 - 1599 in England, and died 25 October 1687 in Haverhill, Massachusetts. He married SUSANNAH COOKE Abt. 1639. She was born 1616 in England, and died 11 April 1682 in Haverhill, Massachusetts.

Notes for SUSANNAH COOKE:

From "The Singletary Family History" by Yvonne Miller Brunton:

The will of Phillip Cooke, dated 18 July, 1666, left his son, John, in the care of "Sister Singletary" in Haverhill.

Children of RICHARD SINGLETARY and SUSANNAH COOKE are:

- i. JONATHAN<sup>2</sup> SINGLETARY, b. 17 January 1640, Salisbury, Massachusetts; d. Bet. 1703 - 1723, Woodbridge, New Jersey; m. MARY BLOOMFIELD, Abt. 1660.
- ii. EUNICE SINGLETARY, b. 07 January 1641, Salisbury, Massachusetts; d. 05 October 1715, Haverhill, Massachusetts; m. THOMAS EATON, 06 January 1658, Andover, Massachusetts.
- iii. NATHANIEL SINGLETARY, b. 28 October 1644, Salisbury, Massachusetts; d. 13 August 1689, Haverhill, Massachusetts; m. SARAH BELKNAP, 22 December 1673, Framingham, Massachusetts.
- iv. LYDIA SINGLETARY, b. 30 April 1648, Salisbury, Massachusetts; d. Haverhill, Massachusetts; m. DANIEL LADD, JR., 24 November 1668.
- v. AMOS SINGLETARY, b. April 1651, Salisbury/Haverhill, Massachusetts; d. 01 November 1724; m. SARAH ROGERS.
2. vi. BENJAMIN SINGLETARY, b. 04 April 1656, Haverhill, Massachusetts; d. Aft. 1697, Red Bank, near Summerville, SC.

## *Generation No. 2*

2. BENJAMIN<sup>2</sup> SINGLETARY (*RICHARD*<sup>1</sup>) was born 04 April 1656 in Haverhill, Massachusetts, and died Aft. 1697 in Red Bank, near Summerville, SC. He married MARY STOCKBRIDGE 04 April 1678 in Haverhill, Massachusetts, daughter of JOHN STOCKBRIDGE. She was born 29 April 1655 in Scituate, Massachusetts, and died Aft. 1696 in SC.

Notes for BENJAMIN SINGLETARY:

From "The Singletary Family History" by Yvonne Miller Brunton:

Benjamin Singletary fought in King Phillip's War in November, 1675. He was in SC by 1697. He received a SC land warrant for 300 acres on 10 July, 1699.

Children of BENJAMIN SINGLETARY and MARY STOCKBRIDGE are:

- i. SUSANNAH<sup>3</sup> SINGLETARY, b. 27 January 1679, Haverhill, Massachusetts; d.

- Aft. 1749, SC; m. JOHN STONE, JR..
- ii. RICHARD SINGLETARY, b. 16 March 1681, Haverhill, Massachusetts; m. SARAH STEWART.
- 3. iii. JONATHAN SINGLETARY, b. 28 August 1683, Haverhill, Massachusetts; d. Bet. 1744 - 1754.
- iv. JOHN SINGLETARY, b. 06 July 1686, Haverhill, Massachusetts.
- v. BROUGHTON (BRAYTON) SINGLETARY, b. 25 March 1689, Haverhill, Massachusetts; m. DEBORAH FEWELLING, 15 December 1711, St. Thomas & St. Denis, Charleston, SC.
- vi. JOSEPH SINGLETARY, b. 09 February 1693, Haverhill, Massachusetts; d. Aft. 1737, Berkeley County, SC.
- vii. MARY SINGLETARY, b. 14 July 1695, Haverhill, Massachusetts.
- viii. HANNAH SINGLETARY, b. 18 October 1696, Haverhill, Massachusetts; m. JOHN DUNHAM.

*Generation No. 3*

**3.** JONATHAN<sup>3</sup> SINGLETARY (*BENJAMIN*<sup>2</sup>, *RICHARD*<sup>1</sup>) was born 28 August 1683 in Haverhill, Massachusetts, and died Bet. 1744 - 1754.

Notes for JONATHAN SINGLETARY:

From "The Singletary Family History" by Yvonne Miller Brunton:

Jonathan Singletary was born 28 August, 1683 in Haverhill, Massachusetts. He died between 1744 and 1754. The name of his first wife is unknown, but the date of her death is recorded as 4 February, 1732 in St. Thomas and St. Denis Parish, Charleston, SC. Jonathan was possibly married a second time to Hellena in the Cape Fear area.

Jonathan received a land grant in SC on 16 August, 1705.

Children of JONATHAN SINGLETARY are:

- 4. i. BENJAMIN<sup>4</sup> SINGLETARY, b. Abt. 1705, SC; d. Aft. 1765, Bladen County, NC.
- ii. RICHARD SINGLETARY, b. Abt. 1708, Charleston, SC; d. Aft. 1773, Bladen County, NC; m. JOYCE, Abt. 1730.

Notes for RICHARD SINGLETARY:

From "The Singletary Family History" by Yvonne Miller Brunton:

Richard Singletary was born about 1708 in Charleston, SC. He married Joyce about 1730. His will was dated 8 March, 1773 in Bladen County, NC. His mother, name unknown, died 25 February, 1732 in St. Thomas and St. Denis Parish, Charleston, SC.

Richard received land grants in 1728 and 1729 totaling over 3000 acres including "Straboughie" south of the Cape Fear River opposite Singletary Lake on the north side of Plum Branch. Also included was Sugar Loaf Bluff on the Cape Fear River. When he died, Richard bequeathed 1620 acres and the home place.

Notes for JOYCE:

From "The Singletary Family History" by Yvonne Miller Brunton:

The name of Richard Singletary's wife, Joyce, is probably incorrect due to early records being recopied. Joyce as a name was unheard of at this time and place.

- iii. MARY SINGLETARY, b. Abt. 1710, SC; d. Aft. 1772; m. THOMAS RUSS, Bef. 1750, Bladen County, NC.
- iv. WILLIAM SINGLETARY, b. Abt. 1715, SC; d. Bef. 1785, Bladen County, NC.

Notes for WILLIAM SINGLETARY:

From "The Singletary Family History" by Yvonne Miller Brunton:

William Singletary was born about 1715 in SC. He died intestate before 15 November, 1785 in Bladen County, NC. William bought lots 76 and 79 in Elizabethtown on 29 October, 1773. His first land grant in Bladen County was in 1738 and he later purchased land from Benjamin Fitzrandolph on 7 May, 1754.

- v. JOSEPH SINGLETARY, b. Abt. 1718, SC; d. Aft. 1772, Bladen County, NC; m. MARY FITZRANDOLPH; b. 17 December 1732.

Notes for JOSEPH SINGLETARY:

From "The Singletary Family History" by Yvonne Miller Brunton:

Joseph Singletary was born about 1718 in SC. He married Mary Fitzrandolph. His will was dated 4 July, 1772 in Bladen County, NC. Joseph was granted land in 1733 on the head of Georgetown Creek in SC adjoining Joseph Russ.

- vi. SARAH SINGLETARY, b. Bef. 1720, SC; d. 13 November 1773, Bladen County, NC; m. THOMAS ROBESON, Abt. 1740; b. Abt. 1698, PA; d. Aft. 1775, Bladen County, NC.

#### *Generation No. 4*

4. BENJAMIN<sup>4</sup> SINGLETARY (*JONATHAN*<sup>3</sup>, *BENJAMIN*<sup>2</sup>, *RICHARD*<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1705 in SC, and died Aft. 1765 in Bladen County, NC. He married ELIZABETH (JAMES), daughter of WILLIAM JAMES. She died Abt. 1806 in Bladen County, NC.

Notes for BENJAMIN SINGLETARY:

From "The Singletary Family History" by Yvonne Miller Brunton:

Benjamin Singletary was born about 1705 in SC. He died in Bladen County sometime after writing his will on 22 August, 1765. He married Elizabeth, whose maiden name may have been James.

All lands granted to Benjamin Singletary were on the NE side of the Cape Fear River. He was listed on the Bladen County tax list of 1763. His will, dated 22 August, 1765 was witnessed by his first cousin, Thomas Robeson Jr., and Mary Bartram Robeson.

He was listed as Benjamin Singletary "of Winyah", SC in 1739. He was on the Cape Fear by 1745 but received no land grants until early 1765. He left 1270 acres when he died.

Notes for ELIZABETH (JAMES):

Yvonne Miller Brunton speculated that Elizabeth may have been the daughter of William

James. Her youngest sons, Joseph and John, divided the dower lands in 1806. John received the upper half of the land which was described as a William James patent.

Children of BENJAMIN SINGLETARY and ELIZABETH (JAMES) are:

5.
  - i. RICHARD<sup>5</sup> SINGLETARY, b. Bef. 1745, NC; d. Bladen County, NC.
  - ii. JAMES SINGLETARY, b. Bef. 1755; d. 1810, Bladen County, NC; m. (1) ANN; m. (2) NANCY.
  - iii. BENJAMIN SINGLETARY, b. Bef. 1755; m. SARAH.
  - iv. JOHN SINGLETARY, b. Aft. 1755; d. Bef. 1812, Bladen County, NC; m. SALINA (MCKONKEY).

Notes for JOHN SINGLETARY:

From "The Singletary Family History" by Yvonne Miller Brunton:

Salina McKonkey may have been a 2nd wife. She was listed as the wife of John Singletary in deed book 1, pg 281.

Disposition of dower lands in 1806: John Singletary received the upper half of the William James Plantation. Deed book 12, pg 456, 531 and book 11, pg 229. All this land was sold to Drury Ranaldson.

- v. JOSEPH SINGLETARY, b. Aft. 1755; d. Abt. 1817, Bladen County, NC; m. SUSANNAH MCREE.
- vi. SARAH SINGLETARY.

#### *Generation No. 5*

**5.** RICHARD<sup>5</sup> SINGLETARY (*BENJAMIN<sup>4</sup>, JONATHAN<sup>3</sup>, BENJAMIN<sup>2</sup>, RICHARD<sup>1</sup>*) was born Bef. 1745 in NC, and died in Bladen County, NC. He married ALICE MCREE, daughter of ROBERT MCREE and JANE. She was born Bet. 1763 - 1765 in NC, and died Bet. 1815 - 1827 in Bladen County, NC.

Notes for RICHARD SINGLETARY:

From "The Singletary Family History" by Yvonne Miller Brunton:

Richard Singletary (referred to as Sr. in 1792) was born prior to 1745 in NC and married to a 2nd wife, Alice McRee, by 1793. Alice McRee was born 1763-65 in NC and died 1815-27 in Bladen County, NC. Her 2nd husband was Robert Johnston. Alice McRee was the daughter of Robert McRee and Jane.

Richard was executor of his father Benajmin's estate. Richard was called "short" in the account book of Col. Thomas Robeson.

Note: Yvonne Brunton's book only lists Mary, Benjamin, John Griffith, and Ann Elizabeth Singletary as children of Richard and Alice. She does indicate that there may have been other children. There is an abundance of evidence in the Bladen deed records to prove that Prudence Cain and Elizabeth Young were also children of Richard and Alice Singletary.

Children of RICHARD SINGLETARY and ALICE MCREE are:

6.
  - i. ELIZABETH<sup>6</sup> SINGLETARY, b. Bladen County, NC; d. 16 August 1834, Bladen County, NC.

- ii. PRUDENCE SINGLETARY, b. 1785, Bladen County, NC; d. Bladen County, NC; m. JAMES CAIN; b. 26 January 1780, Bladen County, NC; d. 10 October 1852, Bladen County, NC.

Notes for PRUDENCE SINGLETARY:

Bladen County deed book 12, page 512:

James Cain and wife to David Young - 4 August, 1809...between James Cain Jr. and Prudence Cain his wife and David Young...whereas Richard Singletary died intestate and land estate being divided among his heirs pursuant to an order of court whereby the said James Cain and Prudence his wife became lawfully seized and possessed of 54 acres of land, lot number 2, on the NW side of the NW River beginning at an ash tree on the river bank to the upper corner of John Singletary's land, lot number 1, and runs...on the river bank on the lower corner of David Young's, lot number 3, thence...\$160...

James Cain (seal)

Prudence Cain (seal)

Witnesses: William Bryan and John Robeson.

Thomas Brown, D.C.

- 7.     iii. MARY SINGLETARY, b. 14 May 1787, Bladen County, NC; d. 02 December 1883, Monroe County, Alabama.
- 8.     iv. BENJAMIN SINGLETARY, b. Bef. 1795, Bladen County, NC; d. Bet. 1830 - 1847, Bladen County, NC.
- 9.     v. JOHN GRIFFITH SINGLETARY, b. 1799, Bladen County, NC; d. Bet. 1860 - 1870.
- 10.    vi. ANN ELIZABETH SINGLETARY, b. 30 December 1808, Bladen County, NC; d. 27 May 1864, Bladen County, NC.

#### *Generation No. 6*

**6.** ELIZABETH<sup>6</sup> SINGLETARY (*RICHARD*<sup>5</sup>, *BENJAMIN*<sup>4</sup>, *JONATHAN*<sup>3</sup>, *BENJAMIN*<sup>2</sup>, *RICHARD*<sup>1</sup>) was born in Bladen County, NC, and died 16 August 1834 in Bladen County, NC. She married DAVID YOUNG 20 March 1808. He was born Bet. 1774 - 1775 in Bladen County, NC, and died 19 June 1839 in Bladen County, NC.

Children of ELIZABETH SINGLETARY and DAVID YOUNG are:

- i. MATTHEW<sup>7</sup> YOUNG, b. 10 October 1809, Bladen County, NC; d. 1856, White Oak, Bladen County, NC.
- ii. JOHN YOUNG, b. 13 September 1811, Bladen County, NC; d. Aft. 1881, White Oak Township, Bladen County, NC; m. ELIZABETH "BETSY" SINGLETARY, Abt. 1850; b. Bet. 1818 - 1819, Bladen County, NC; d. Bet. 1860 - 1870, White Oak Township, Bladen County, NC.

**7.** MARY<sup>6</sup> SINGLETARY (*RICHARD*<sup>5</sup>, *BENJAMIN*<sup>4</sup>, *JONATHAN*<sup>3</sup>, *BENJAMIN*<sup>2</sup>, *RICHARD*<sup>1</sup>) was born 14 May 1787 in Bladen County, NC, and died 02 December 1883 in Monroe County, Alabama. She married DRURY ALLEN RANALDSON. He was born 16 August 1791, and died

01 July 1861 in Monroe County, Alabama.

Children of MARY SINGLETARY and DRURY RANALDSON are:

- i. JAMES ALLEN<sup>7</sup> RANALDSON.

Notes for JAMES ALLEN RANALDSON:  
died at 10 years of age

- ii. WILLIAM CALAWAY RANALDSON, b. 01 December 1829; d. 1831.

Notes for WILLIAM CALAWAY RANALDSON:  
died at 18 months

- iii. INFANT RANALDSON.
- iv. ELIZABETH ALLEN RANALDSON, m. THOMAS WIGGINS; b. 1807; d. 1862.
- v. LYDIA J. RANALDSON, b. 09 March 1817; d. 21 October 1882; m. M. MCCORVEY.

**8.** BENJAMIN<sup>6</sup> SINGLETARY (*RICHARD<sup>5</sup>, BENJAMIN<sup>4</sup>, JONATHAN<sup>3</sup>, BENJAMIN<sup>2</sup>, RICHARD<sup>1</sup>*) was born Bef. 1795 in Bladen County, NC, and died Bet. 1830 - 1847 in Bladen County, NC. He married WINEFRED "WINNEY". She was born Bet. 1780 - 1790, and died in Cumberland County, NC.

Notes for BENJAMIN SINGLETARY:

From "The Singletary Family History" by Yvonne Miller Brunton:

Benjamin Singletary was born prior to 1795 in NC. He died between 1830 and 1847 in Bladen County, NC.

In 1847, Winney and the daughters sold 400 acres left them in Bladen County by Benjamin, son of Richard. They are shown in the Cumberland County census of 1840 and 1850. The daughters visited Elizabeth Ellis Robeson regularly as recounted in her diary.

Benjamin sold the dower lands of his mother in 1815 before she died. Benjamin left lands SW of the Cape Fear River adjacent to James S. Dunham "on the upper side of the river, formerly Young's corner, to a cypress on the river bank".

Children of BENJAMIN SINGLETARY and WINEFRED "WINNEY" are:

- i. MARY<sup>7</sup> SINGLETARY, b. Abt. 1820; m. DAVID ALLEN, 04 February 1851.
- ii. NANCY JANE SINGLETARY, b. Abt. 1823.
- iii. LYDIA SINGLETARY, b. Abt. 1820; m. DAVID OLIPHANT, 30 September 1841.

**9.** JOHN GRIFFITH<sup>6</sup> SINGLETARY (*RICHARD<sup>5</sup>, BENJAMIN<sup>4</sup>, JONATHAN<sup>3</sup>, BENJAMIN<sup>2</sup>, RICHARD<sup>1</sup>*) was born 1799 in Bladen County, NC, and died Bet. 1860 - 1870. He married (1) UNKNOWN Abt. 1825. He married (2) MARY 02 October 1845. She was born 1824.

Notes for JOHN GRIFFITH SINGLETARY:

John Griffith Singletary had 4 sons at the time of the 1840 census.

Bladen County deed book 11, page 72:

John G. Singletary to David Young - 23 November, 1821...\$340...land on the NE side of the NW branch of the Cape Fear River, beginning at an ash tree on the river bank and David Young's corner of the land purchased from James Cain and his wife...57 acres...and the said John G. Singletary being lawfully seized and possessed of the same having drawn in the division of his father Richard Singletary's lands, being lot number 1...

John G. Singletary (seal)

Witnesses: Henry Allen, David Allen.

Duncan McInnis, Clerk.

Children of JOHN SINGLETARY and UNKNOWN are:

- i. MARY ANN ELIZA<sup>7</sup> SINGLETARY, b. 1830, Bladen County, NC; m. JOSEPH HESTER.
- ii. WILLIAM C. SINGLETARY, b. 1838, Bladen County, NC.

Children of JOHN SINGLETARY and MARY are:

- iii. ELIZABETH O.<sup>7</sup> SINGLETARY, b. 1847, Bladen County, NC; m. WILLIAM HESTER, 05 September 1869.
- iv. JOHN F. SINGLETARY, b. 22 April 1848, Bladen County, NC; m. ELIZA GLOVER, 15 February 1872.
- v. BARTRAM SINGLETARY, b. 1850, Bladen County, NC; m. MATTIE BENNIE SPRINGFIELD.
- vi. NASH SINGLETARY, b. 1856, Bladen County, NC; d. 28 December 1877, Texas.

**10.** ANN ELIZABETH<sup>6</sup> SINGLETARY (*RICHARD<sup>5</sup>, BENJAMIN<sup>4</sup>, JONATHAN<sup>3</sup>, BENJAMIN<sup>2</sup>, RICHARD<sup>1</sup>*) was born 30 December 1808 in Bladen County, NC, and died 27 May 1864 in Bladen County, NC. She married JAMES SNOWDEN DUNHAM, son of WILLIAM DUNHAM and ELIZABETH SINGLETARY. He was born 20 March 1795 in Bladen County, NC, and died 19 January 1881 in Bladen County, NC.

Children of ANN SINGLETARY and JAMES DUNHAM are:

- i. ELIZABETH<sup>7</sup> DUNHAM, b. 05 October 1823, Bladen County, NC; d. 24 July 1834, Bladen County, NC.
- ii. SNOWDEN DUNHAM, b. 03 February 1826, Bladen County, NC; d. 28 September 1834, Bladen County, NC.
- iii. MARY JANE DUNHAM, b. 14 July 1828, Bladen County, NC; d. 06 October 1834, Bladen County, NC.
- iv. WILLIAM C. DUNHAM, b. 27 October 1830, Bladen County, NC; d. 29 June 1908.
- v. JONATHAN ROBESON DUNHAM, b. 17 November 1832, Bladen County, NC; d. 26 June 1907; m. PHOEBE A. YOUNG; b. 06 February 1851, White Oak, Bladen County, NC; d. 06 June 1907.

Notes for JONATHAN ROBESON DUNHAM:  
Company E, 18th Regiment, CSA

Buried at Old Bethlehem Church Cemetery

- vi. JOHN ALEXANDER DUNHAM, b. 30 November 1834, Bladen County, NC; d. 14 December 1862, Fredericksburg, VA.
- vii. JAMES SAMUEL DUNHAM, b. Bladen County, NC; d. 19 July 1862, Battle of Richmond, VA.
- viii. ALICE DUNHAM, b. 18 February 1840, Bladen County, NC; d. 03 October 1846, Bladen County, NC.
- ix. SARAH ELMIRA DUNHAM, b. 09 June 1843, Bladen County, NC; d. 02 January 1930; m. EVANDER N. ROBESON.
- x. THOMAS B. DUNHAM, b. 17 September 1847, Bladen County, NC; d. 23 May 1914.