

In the name of God amen I Robert Lindsay Considering the uncertainty
of this Mortal life and being imp of it health and of sound mind
and Memory blessed be God for the same do make and publish this my last
will and testament in Manner and form as followeth, first I allow
all my Just Debts to be paid - I Give and Bequath to my beloved
wife Nancy all my stock of horses cattle hogs & sheep, and all the
utencials of husbandry that has been in use on the plantation
and all my household furniture that has been in use, also one
thousand Dollars I Give unto my son John two hundred and
fifty Dollars and to his Children Samuel, Caster, Mary, Robert,
Sarah each of them fifty Dollars - I Give unto my son Samuel
two hundred and fifty Dollars - I Give unto my son Robert & tract
of ^{four} as Described in the paper and also to my
to this ^{also} two hundred and fifty Dollars - I Give unto my
son William one tract of land N^o 3 three as Described in the
paper before mentioned I als two thousand Dollars - I Give unto
my son Andrew one tract of Land whereon I now live N^o 5 five
as Described in the paper before mentioned, I allow my wife
Nancy to have the use of one half of said tract of land including the
improvements so long as she continues my widow I also Give unto
my son Andrew fifteen hundred Dollars - I Give unto my son
David one tract of Land N^o 1 one as Described in the before mention
paper and fifteen hundred Dollars - I Give unto my Daughter
Jenne one tract of Land N^o 2 two as Described in the paper before
mentioned I and two thousand Dollars - I Give unto my Daughter
Elizabeth one tract of Land N^o 6 six as Described in the before mentioned
paper also two thousand Dollars - I Give unto my Daughter
Susanah two thousand five hundred Dollars, and all the remainder
of my Estate I allow to be Equally Divided betwixt my wife and
Children, my son John Excepted, I hereby appoint my above wife
Nancy Lindsay sol Executor of this my last will and testament hereby
Revoking all former wills by me made in witness whereof I have
hearsaid to sit my hand and seal this 5th day of february 1801 -

Signed sealed and Declared
by the above Robert Lindsay
to be his last will and testament
in the presence of us who have
hereunto subscribed our names
in the presence of the testator

Jane Lindsay

Elizabeth Lindsay

Robert Lindsay

Subj: [NCGuilford] Re: [NCForsyth] John /ROSS/ from North Carolina, married: Moselle /FOARD/
Date: 9/29/2003 9:44:44 AM US Mountain Standard Time
From: ncgen@mindspring.com
To: NCGUILFO-L@rootsweb.com

At 12:31 AM -0400 9/29/03, Jkeagle13@aol.com wrote:

>Hello,

> I am currently looking for the parents, and any additional
 >information that anyone might have about John Francis (M.?) Ross. I
 >have checked Census records, marriage records, as well as others and I have
 >found him in one or two places, but so far I have not come up with any
 >helpful information, as the only information I am really searching for is the
 >name of
 >his parents, and then possibly birthdates, and any other brothers or
 >sisters he might have had. I am really looking to find him in the 1850 Census,
 >or possibly 1860 census, as this should list his parents. I think I found him
 >in
 >the Forsyth County 1850 census, as the age matched up. He was living in the
 >William P. Henley residence. The birth date we have is 1846, and the 1850
 >census
 >lists him as 5 years of age, his approximate age. In the same residence is an
 >Amanda P. Ross. We think at this point that this could possible be his mother.
 >She is 30, meaning that she probably wouldn't be a sister, but possibly a
 >relative?
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In 1850 Amanda P. Ross is age 30, as you say, and is living with William P. and Sarah Henley ages 32 and 25 respectively, and Elizabeth Lindsay age 64, plus John Ross age 5.

Elizabeth BRIGGS married William LINDSAY 17 Feb 1807, Stokes Co. marriage bond

Elizabeth Lindsay is living alone in 1860, household 675, age 70

She is age 86 in 1870, living with A. Lindsay age 40, Forsyth Co. household 41 in Kernersville

Her will dated 12 Jun 1869 probated 10 Jun 1871, Forsyth Co. W-229 page 49 names

dau Guilian Field
 dau Amanda P. Armfield
 dau. Sarah G. (S.?) Henley
 dau. Levina Saunders decd
 Robert Lindsay dec'd
 son Wm. L. Lindsay
 son John H. Lindsay
 Willie son of A.D. Lindsay
 Lula dau of A.D. Lindsay
 son A.D. Lindsay exec
 witnesses J.L. Harmon, H. Davis

[abstract from Forsyth Co. Genealogical Society]

Amanda Ross married Joseph ARMFIELD 15 Jan 1851, Forsyth Co. marriage bond

Joseph and Amanda appear in Guilford Co. in 1860, and back in Forsyth in 1870, but I don't see a child John Ross with them in either of those years. Joseph was born about 1800, and this would appear to be

a second marriage for him, since in 1860 Tabitha Armfield age 25 and William Armfield age 21 are also living with them.

Bottom line: Amanda appears to be the daughter of Elizabeth Briggs and William Lindsay, and Sarah Henley with whom she is living in 1850 is her sister. John Ross would appear to be her son. I don't have a record for her first marriage, but it's clear that she married Joseph Armfield in 1851, as Amanda Ross, and had additional children with him.

So where is John Ross in 1860??? I don't know, but would be very curious to find out.

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Subj: Re: [NCForsyth] John /ROSS/ from North Carolina, married: Moselle /FOARD/
Date: 9/29/2003 11:58:39 AM US Mountain Standard Time
From: ncgen@mindspring.com
To: Jkeagle13@aol.com

· Guilford Co. NC 1860, household 960 in South Division

G.Y. Bridges 30, carpenter
Mary C. Bridges 30
Jno. Ross 14
J.C. Burton 28, carpenter

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Subj: Re: Genealogy look up for North Carolina
Date: 10/7/2003 9:08:17 AM US Mountain Standard Time
From: knorth710@yadtel.net
To: Jkeagle13@aol.com

OK, I talked at length with the church today. They had an addition to the Rosses-but probably not one that would help. Henry Clay Ross's wife was Jeana PINNIX, 22 Aug 1899 - 12 Dec 1985. Also, the Jane listed in the book was listed as a June in the church records.

The Rosses are probably connected, but are not buried near each other. They are all in the same section; Henry and Jeana are buried beside each other; (Section A, 196, 197) John W. is in Section A, 356. John F. is in Section A, 215, buried beside....Amanda P. Armfield (1820 - 04/1884). She is in lot 214, beside Joseph Armfield (6 May 1800 - 1 May 1892) (213).

Looks like your theory of John's father dying or divorcing may be correct. Unfortunately, that was the extent of the information readily available. They do have all the old church records in boxes which I can make an appointment to go through. The secretary there felt there was a strong possibility that the P. in Amanda's name stood for PINNIX or PORTER, as those are common names in that community, and the only "P's" in the cemetery. She also gave me the number of a church member ---Joe Pinnix, 84 years old, who might be able to help. I will give you his number-I'm afraid I rarely do blind phone calls to individuals (sorry!!!) 336-993-5642---should you want to follow up. There were no Rosses as current members of that church.

Let me know if this helps, so I'll know which direction to head!

Kathy

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From: Jkeagle13@aol.com
To: knorth710@yadtel.net
Sent: Monday, October 06, 2003 10:04 PM
Subject: Re: Genealogy look up for North Carolina

Hi,

THANKS A TON! That is indeed John Francis Ross. The dates are exactly what we had listed. Now it might make things a little bit confusing on my end trying to decipher who the Father is of the remaining 3 male individuals, but that definantly helps narrow things down! That is for sure him. I had not known that he was buried in Kernersville, I had always presumed he was buried in Rowan County. I know for sure they were in Rowan, as they show up in the Rowan 1880 Census. So that was also a useful piece of information to know about Kernersville.

So thanks a ton for all the research. I wondered, might there be a second page that listed Rosses? You included one page but it looked to me like it might carry over to a second page. I am trying to find an Amanda P. Ross as a mother, who is the only one listed with him in the 1850 Forsyth Co. Census, and they are both listed together in the Henley residence. She would have been born around 1825. This may not have been his mother, and I would be glad to disprove that, but that is my current theory.

THANKS AGAIN!
 - Joseph Irvine
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In a message dated 10/6/2003 6:17:50 PM US Mountain Standard Time, knorth710@yadtel.net writes:

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See if those names in the cemetery help you with John's mother's name. If not, please let me know and I'll make a more leisurely visit to another library.

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To: jkeagle13@aol.com

Sent: Tuesday, September 30, 2003 10:17 PM

Subject: Genealogy look up for North Carolina

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If you are not able to, time wise, too busy, etc., I perfectly understand. I am so grateful that this service is offered. It is my dream to make it to North Carolina someday, and I probably will to do a lot of this searching on my own. Living on the west coast though it is not easy. So don't go out of your way, but if you just happen to be there if you could look this name up I would be very grateful.

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