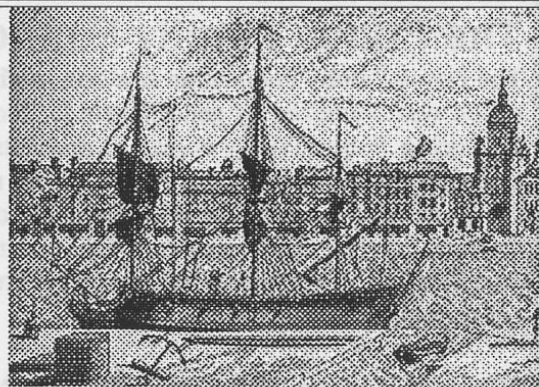


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Meet the editor

This is the first of a series of brief articles which will introduce readers to the people who are responsible for the operation of the Foundation, and who devote time, energy and expertise to keeping things moving forward. As Chairman of the Board of Directors, and President of the Foundation, Frank Fuqua appointed himself to be responsible for the publication of the newsletter. This issue completes three years of his editorial whimsey.



On the largest side of his schizophrenia, Frank is employed as the Senior Director of Marketing and Sales by a company which provides electronic information and services to over 450 airlines, worldwide. His experience in writing proposals, contracts and marketing materials, combined with his natural arrogance, convinced him that he could get away with the self-appointment.

On the other side of his schizophrenia, Frank spends his time stirring the Fuqua pot and preparing for a retirement which will be spent doing family research and being active on the genealogy lecture circuit.

Current news

About the format change....

As those of you who care about such things will remember, our newsletter received an honorable mention in the last National Genealogical Society newsletter competition. We also received a constructive critique. Subsequently, this editor contacted the publishers of the Gann Gazette, the newsletter which had won first place. We exchanged newsletters for our mutual amusement/amazement, and they also offered a friendly critique. We could, of course, only offer our congratulations and admiration for their excellent work.

This issue includes a number of recommended changes. Although the nature and mix of the content has not changed (both critiques were complimentary in this regard), I think readers will agree that the format is at least less cluttered. We are open for additional suggestions.

Oops....

The last issue was published with the usual last minute crunch. When the job is done by one person, and that person procrastinates, the probability of crunch is obvious. An additional complication was an impending departure for a week of research at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City. NOTHING was going to delay that, so the newsletter had to hit the Post Office prior to flight time, and did, without the benefit of spell checking. Thanks to all of you who made the effort to point out the typos, and a special apology to Howard VALLANCE Jones.

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The Fuqua Family Foundation

The Fuqua Family Foundation is a non-profit corporation which was organized by genealogists for the purposes of advancing Fuqua family research, and introducing the concepts of genealogical research to family members and the general public. The Foundation's computerized database currently contains over 24,000 connected family members. Relevant family information is provided, without charge, upon request.

The Fuqua Foundation News

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Frank or his minder, Claire Fuqua, can also be reached by calling (303) 470-0882.

Current news..... continued

The reunions are coming!

The annual reunion of the descendants of Randolph "Randall" Fuqua, Mary Ann Hartzog and their eleven children will be held on June 8-9, 1996. The location will be at Lakepoint Resort State Park, Lake Eufaula, Alabama. Contact Verdellia Fuqua Scott at 8478 East Haines Court, Floral City, Florida 34436-6200 for further information. Verdellia can also be called at (904) 344-5005.

All Fuqua reunion organizers are invited to submit reunion information for publication in our next issue.

"Dollars for documents"

The National Archives is the custodian for an enormous variety of records, some of which contain significant amounts of genealogical information. Many of the most genealogically useful of those records have been micro-filmed, and made available to the public through the Na-

tional Archives main facilities, and its branch offices. Many other records, however, exist only in their original forms, and are hard to access.

The Federation of Genealogy Societies administers the Malcom H. Stern - NARA Gift Fund, which collects money and provides funds to support the continued micro-filming of genealogically significant records. Malcom Stern was the force behind the formation of the Genealogical Coordination Committee in 1980. Among other things the GCC, operating under the umbrella of the National Genealogical Society, undertook the micro-filming project. During the following 15 years, the GCC was responsible for a large number of records becoming readily available to genealogy researchers.

In 1995 the GCC was disbanded, but the microfilming project was felt to be so important that it was continued under the auspices of the Federation. Donations are requested to support this important activity. They may be sent to: The Malcom H. Stern - NARA Gift Fund, FGS Business Office, P.O. Box 3385, Salt Lake City, UT 84110-3385

The Family History Library microforms

Any serious genealogical researcher knows about the Family History Library operated by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Salt Lake City, Utah. The generous (and free) research support provided by the Church, either at the Library in Salt Lake City or through the many Family History Centers located around the country, should be used and appreciated by all genealogical researchers.

While most of the records which are available on micro-film or micro-fiche can only be used at the Library or at the Family History Centers, two valuable sets of data can be purchased. Both are available only on micro-fiche.

The most useful is the Family History Library Catalog, which is useful for planning a research campaign. The other is the International Genealogical Index, which can be useful if you are lucky.

If interested, write to: The Family History Dept., Attention: Microform Sales Unit, 50 East North temple Street, Salt Lake City, UT 84150. Ask for prices and forms 31874 and 31791.

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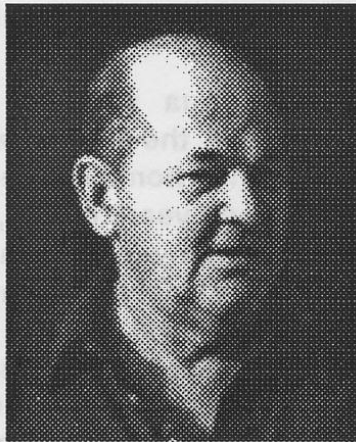
If the last line of your mailing label says VOL 3-4, your subscription has expired with this issue. Please submit \$15 for a one year renewal. You don't want to miss a single issue!

Basic Genealogy

A case study

The Foundation has received a number of letters from readers who have said "The Basic Genealogy column is interesting, but how about publishing an article which summarizes a whole research case". Each case is different, and involves its own problems and opportunities, but we'll give it a try, based on this editor's own case.

In my case, I had essentially no family knowledge which would define the direction of the search. My father was an only child whose parents had both died when he was very young. Although he did have relatives, events in his childhood had caused him to close his mind to that part of his life, and he would not talk about it. Unfortunately, my interest in the family tree did not begin until after his death, so I was not able to force the issue.



Francis Hubbard Fuqua
1911 - 1985

My mother knew a few facts, which she provided to me. Dad had been born near Lodi in San Joaquin County, California in 1911. His father had died in an influenza epidemic in Seattle in 1918. His mother had died in Lodi in 1925. Dad had lived with various relatives in Lodi, and had then spent the remainder of his youth with his mother's relatives in Wenatchee, Washington. With these, and a few other scattered facts, a search for the ancestral trail was begun.

A copy of Dad's birth certificate was obtained from the Bureau of Vital Statistics in Sacramento, California. It stated that he was born on 18 October 1911 near Acampo [which was near Lodi]. It also provided information regarding my grandfather. His name was Francis Marion Fuqua [Jr.] and, at the time of my father's birth, he resided near Acampo. He was 22 years of age, had been born in California and was a farmer.



Francis Marion Fuqua, Jr.
1889 - 1918

A copy of grandfather Francis Marion Jr.'s marriage certificate was obtained from the same source. It states that his father's name was Francis M. Fuqua, and that he was a farmer who had been born in Missouri. His mother's name was Mary F. Wilson, and she was also born in Missouri. The information was confirmed on his death certificate, which was obtained from the State Board of Health in Olympia, Washington.



Francis Marion Fuqua
1848 - 1907

So far, so good! The next step was to request death certificates from Sacramento for both great grandfather Francis Marion and great grandmother Mary F. [Wilson] Fuqua. To my amazement they arrived, and provided another step down the trail. Francis Marion had been born on 4 September 1848 in Ralls County, Missouri. His father's name was "Alfred" Fuqua and his mother's name was Mary Wilson. Both had been born in Kentucky. [The first name of Francis Marion's father was subsequently found in numerous records as either ALFRED or ALFORD. For consistency, he will be referred to in this article as ALFORD, except when an "Alfred" document is quoted. The reason will become obvious.]



Alford G. Fuqua
1813 - 1855

At that point I had concluded that genealogy is easy, and did not yet realize the rude awakening that was in store for me. Around the same time, an unrelated event took place which was to change the course of my life.

My genealogical research had been undertaken as an intellectual exercise. It involved people that I had never met, and about whom I knew nothing. Then, while examining the death certificate of my great grandmother Mary Francis, a defining moment occurred when my intellect collapsed and was replaced by pure emotion. The statistics on the certificate were suddenly replaced by a realization that this had been a flesh and blood member of my FAMILY, without whom I would not exist. I began to cry like a child, which was quite a shock for a middle aged man who had frequently been accused of having no emotions.

At that moment the emphasis of my research changed. No longer content to string statistics together, I wanted to know my ancestors as people. I could never actually know them, but I undertook to know as much as possible about them. Inspired and supported by the center of my universe, my wife Claire, I forged ahead.

A census search was undertaken to find the FAMILY rather than INDIVIDUALS. Being impatient, I did not work backwards from the 1910 census [the most current one available at that time]. Instead, I jumped straight to Ralls County, Missouri, trying to find my great great grandfather, Alford, and his family.

Alford was not listed in the 1830 census. He was listed in the 1840 census, along with what were clearly a wife and three children. In the 1850 census, all family members are named. Alford appeared with wife Polly Ann, and children James, John, Martha J., William, Polly, Marion [ah-hah] and Harrison. Their ages were all given. The parents were listed as having been born in Kentucky, and all the children in Missouri. They were not, however, in Ralls County, they were in Macon County which is nearby.

Having learned from great grandfather Francis Marion's death certificate that he had lived in California for 59 years plus, it was easy to calculate that he had arrived sometime around 1854. The next census to look for was, obviously, the 1860 census for San Joaquin County, which was where most of the family had settled.

At about that same point in the research schedule, a search was begun through local histories, city and county directories, and various publications which had been produced by the San Joaquin Genealogical Society. The amount of information uncovered was amazing.

In An Illustrated History of San Joaquin County, California, Chicago: The Lewis Publishing Company, 1890, was a biographical sketch of great grandfather, Francis Marion Fuqua, which is presented here in its entirety to illustrate the type of information which can be found in many local histories.

FRANCIS MARION FUQUA was born in Ralls County, Missouri, September 4, 1848, his parents being Alfred G. and Mary A. (Wilson) Fuqua, the latter a Kentuckian by birth. Alfred Fuqua was also a Kentuckian; when he was quite young his parents moved to Missouri, where he grew to manhood and was there married. In 1854 he came with his fam-

ily to California, crossing the plains with ox teams. They proceeded to Pleasant Valley, El Dorado County, where Mr. Fuqua died two months later. The family consisted of five sons and three daughters, of whom one son and one daughter is now deceased; the others are at present residing in San Joaquin and Calaveras counties. Mrs. Fuqua finally came to this valley and settled on a part of Justus Schomp's place, where she remained up to within eight years ago, when she exchanged places with Schomp, and removed to her present place, situated a mile east of Cherokee Lane, containing 160 acres.

Mr. Fuqua was six years old when he crossed the plains with his parents. He made his home with his mother until he was eighteen years of age, during which time he was employed at farm work, clearing up the land and clearing away the brush. Having a boy's natural instinct for sport he travelled all over the country chasing jack rabbits with dog and gun. When eighteen years old he apprenticed himself to the blacksmith trade, under James Sturgel, of Woodbridge, with whom he remained about a year and a half. He then opened a shop of his own at Liberty, on Dry Creek, where he carried on the business for about two years. He then quit blacksmithing and went to farming, first renting his mother's place for two years, then rented the place on which he now is for two years. At the expiration of the two years he bought the ranch, and has devoted his whole attention to farming up to the present time [1890]. When he first took the place there was nothing on it, and having no capital he went at it himself, cleared away the brush and farmed it. Suffice it to say that since that time he has paid for it and made all the improvements himself, all through his own energy and industry.

Mr. Fuqua was married in 1873 to Mary F. Wilson, a native of Macon County, Missouri, where they were married. Their family consists of five daughters and one son - one son

being deceased. They are as follows: Delbert, born December 16, 1874, died November 20, 1875; Alice, born April 16, 1876; Lena May, May 1, 1879; Mertie, December 3, 1880; Jessie Pearl, May 28, 1882; Elsie, January 28, 1885; and Francis Marion [ah-hah], March 9, 1889.

What a gold mine of information! These were, in fact, real people.

The 1860 census for San Joaquin County listed Mary Fuqua, plus children James R., John, William, Mary A., Marion [ah-hah], Harrison and FANNY. This was the first knowledge gained of a child named Fanny. The 1850 census had listed seven of the eight children referred to in the biographical sketch of Francis Marion Fuqua. Fanny had been born in 1852, and added another element of joy to what is, to me, an unimaginable wagon train adventure. Martha J. was not listed in the household, and had presumably either died or been married and was living elsewhere in 1860... another avenue of investigation to undertake. The absence of Alford in the household seemed to confirm the statement in the biographical sketch that he had died.

The 1870 census for San Joaquin County listed Mary Fuqua, F.M. [ah-hah] and H. Fuqua. I immediately leaped to the correct conclusion that this was great grandfather Francis Marion and his brother Harrison. Living nearby were the families of William Fuqua (a blacksmith) and John Fuqua. Their census information supported the correct conclusion that they were Francis Marion's brothers. The search for brother James and the four sisters was still to be undertaken.

In the 1880 census for San Joaquin County, Francis Marion [ah-hah] and his growing family was listed. Brother John was listed nearby, as was Mary and son Harrison. The search for the other brother and sisters was still to be undertaken.

Having learned that the 1890 census records had gone to record heaven, I searched the San Joaquin County census for 1900. I found the wife of John Fuqua, daughters which had been previously listed, plus two additional daughters. John had apparently died. Francis Marion [ah-hah] was listed with a sizable family, including grandfather Francis Marion Jr. [oh boy, oh boy].

In 1910, Francis Marion's widow was listed, along with son Francis Marion Jr. (age 21) and assorted siblings, nieces, nephews, etc. The census trail for the direct line

had run out, but the trail itself continued, as previously described, through the marriage and death certificates of grandfather, Francis Marion Jr., as well as those of my father, Francis Hubbard Fuqua.

In parallel with the census searches, copies of county directories were examined, which listed the known family members in San Joaquin County through most of the time period. Publications of the San Joaquin County Genealogical Society provided a wealth of information on marriages, deaths, burial locations, and assorted other information. The records of land purchases and sales were obtained from San Joaquin County officials in Stockton. Newspapers provided obituaries, stories of accidents, fires, criminal proceedings, suicides, and other "real life" occurrences. For any event which was likely to have generated an official record, those records were ordered and, in most cases, received. During this process, over 400 descendants of Alford G. Fuqua were identified and connected.

One of the most significant records obtained was a transcript of ESTATE # 2451 FUQUA, Inc Mary A. (Wilson) San Joaquin County: Probate Court Book E, June 2, 1897. This was a court proceeding, involving Mary A. Fuqua, in which one of her children succeeded in having her declared incompetent. The case was subsequently appealed by great grandfather Francis Marion [ah-hah], and overturned. The genealogical significance of this record included the following statement by Mary Ann Fuqua.

"Mary A. Fuqua admits she is of the age of 79 years. — her husband died in 1855 and left no property or estate, but did leave 8 minor children."

Elsewhere in the same document, is a listing of her children: "James R. Fuqua, residing in Calaveras County; William M. Fuqua, Calaveras County; Mary A. Smithson, San Joaquin County; Martha J. Knight, San Joaquin County; Harrison Fuqua, San Joaquin County; and F. M. Fuqua [ah-hah], San Joaquin County". In another part of the document there is a reference to: "John C. Fuqua (dec'd) and Fanny Young (dec'd)". Thus, the mystery of the missing daughters was handily solved.

During this investigative effort, time was spent in Placerville (El Dorado County), Sacramento, Stockton and Lodi obtaining records and meeting "cousins". Cemeteries were visited, and more tears were shed. Much assis-

tance was provided then, and subsequently, by family members who were happy to help put together the picture. Two descendants from the Wilson side of the family had already done a great deal of work which included Fuqua connections, and graciously shared the results of their efforts. They also provided a peaches and cream feast which will never be forgotten.

It was during this time that a common genealogist's frustration was encountered. Numerous family members were located who had NO INTEREST WHATSOEVER in learning about their ancestry or in helping anyone else to do so. There were also those who seemed interested but who were never able, or didn't have the time, to follow through. They also seemed immune to the obsession which was driving all of this effort..... another lesson in real life.

Much work remains to be done to build a complete body of information on ALL of Alford Fuqua's descendants. The assembly of all of this information, combined with a clandestine family event, makes the writing of a book mandatory.

The clandestine event involves the death of my father. After his death, his remains were cremated. Some months later, in the darkness and privacy of night, his ashes were spread on the waters of Lake Chelan, in Chelan County, Washington. The story of why will remain untold in this article. The point is, there is no record anywhere of a burial. Therefore, I have accepted the duty of recording the event in a family book for the benefit of future family genealogists.

That work is moving forward, slowly, with the help of many people. The REAL question, however, is "Who was Alford Fuqua, and who were his ancestors?"

The courthouse in New London, Ralls County, Missouri, provided the following clue. Probate Court Record Book AB, page 89 contains the following entry for June 7, 1830.

"Alfred Fuqua infant heir of John Fuqua deceased comes into Court and chooses Hedgeman Wilson as his Guardian whereupon said Hedgeman Wilson comes into Court and enters into bond in the sum of four hundred dollars with James Fuqua as his security for the faithful performance of his duties as Guardian aforesaid which is approved by the Court".

During several days spent in Ralls and Macon Counties, more of the story unfolded. Contact was made with Robert Fuqua, a descendant of the James Fuqua mentioned in the court record quoted above. Robert was able to provide an enormous amount of information. Of particular importance was a copy of a Bible record [previously published in this newsletter] which contained information on James, his siblings, and his parents.

John Fuqua, Alford's father, was a brother of James Fuqua. Hedgeman Wilson was the husband of John's sister Levina. Additional siblings of John's had also migrated to Ralls County in the early 1800s. All had, at one time, lived together with their parents in Montgomery County, Kentucky. Unfortunately, no record could be found which provides any information regarding when or where John Fuqua died, or who there may have been in his family besides Alford.

Two local histories, Ralls County, Missouri, Marceline (MO): Walsworth Publishing Company, 1980, and Portrait and Biographical Record of Marion, Ralls, Pike Counties, Missouri, Chicago: C. O. Owen & Co., 1895, contain significant amounts of information on portions of the family, including Alford. Among the interesting facts is that Alford enlisted in a local Company of the Missouri Mounted Rangers during the Blackhawk War in 1832. He was 19 years old. This service was confirmed by submitting NATF Form 80 (see the last newsletter) and receiving a copy of his military record.

All available Ralls County records were gathered, including Alford's marriage entry and property deeds (bought and sold). Additional records were obtained in Macon County. Robert Fuqua arranged a tramp through the snow to several relevant locations, including old cemeteries, churches and land which was once owned by Alford. It was cold. It was wet. It was wonderful!

The next stop along the trail was, obviously, Montgomery County, Kentucky. It was here that the nightmare of all genealogists was encountered. During the Civil War, the county courthouse was used as a fort. During one of the battles, the courthouse was burned, and along with it most of the county records. Most, but not all.

All of the land records had survived, and included in them was a history of transactions made by John's father, who was also named John. There was a record of father John's estate settlement, which divided his property equally among his eight children. All were named, and the information corroborated the Bible record provided by Robert Fuqua. Records associated with the estate settlement also provided clues which were to lead to the four married

daughters. In fact, there were signs pointing at seven of the eight children. The missing sign was, of course, the one which we hoped to find pointing at our John.

There is no record of John ever owning land in Montgomery County. His marriage is not included in the few records which survived the fire. No trace of him has yet been found in surrounding counties. The only proof so far that he ever lived in Montgomery is provided by the following record which is recorded in both Ralls County, Missouri and Montgomery County, Kentucky.

“Know all men by these presents that I Hedgeman Wilson of Ralls County State of Missouri and Guardian for Alfred Fuqua infant heir of John Fuqua deceased late of Montgomery County, State of Kentucky [etc., etc., having to do with a power of attorney granted to a third party to act on behalf of Hedgeman Wilson in matters related to the settlement of John Fuqua’s estate, no record of which has been found]”.

The only other trace of our John which we have found is in the surviving tax records of Montgomery County. He is listed as having paid taxes in 1810, 1811, 1812 and 1813. According to census records his son, Alford, was born in Kentucky in 1813. Therefore, one presumes that John was married in either 1812 or 1813, probably in Montgomery County. Whether or not this is true, and what happened to him and his family is the object of ongoing and frustrating research [a familiar story to many seasoned genealogists].

In accordance with tradition, while ransacking Montgomery and surrounding counties, we met some wonderful and helpful people, and also found and walked on the old family land. This time it was warm. It was muddy. It was wonderful!

Continuing the ancestral quest, we have been lucky. Our John’s father, and his wife Margaret Lawson, are an open book [literally]. Alya Dean Smith’s book, Fuqua - A Fight For Freedom, Houston: D. Armstrong Company, 1974, contains detailed information regarding the ancestral trail from father John back to the original progenitor, Guillaume Fouquet. Although we have not yet sent for all of the cited records, it is on the list of things to do. In the meantime, the search continues for our missing John. Maybe a seance will work, or.....

One interesting fact which was found in THE book, was that one of our John’s great grandmothers was Elizabeth ALFORD. As was the custom at the time, many children down the line carried family names as given names. We suspect that “Alfred” G. Fuqua was actually ALFORD G.

Fuqua, which may explain why it was spelled that way on some records. We also suspect that Alford’s descendants, and perhaps he himself, were not aware of his Alford heritage.

Almost all of the records we have found (many of which have not been described in this article) have come from traditional sources that are used by all genealogists. Those sources include state and county record offices and libraries, material held by the Family History Library in Salt Lake City (either directly or through local Family History Centers), the National Archives, the Library of Congress, The American Genealogical Lending Library, the library of the National Genealogical Society, and similar sources. Some of the access has been “at the scene”, much of it has been through the mail. We have not done anything that anyone else could not do. In the process we have learned a great deal in terms of how to go about it and, without doubt, still have a lot to learn [after all, we have still not found John].

The moral of the story is that my own life has been greatly enriched as a result of reconstructing as much as possible of this line of my family. So far I have had time to address only my surname line. I am only too well aware of the many untouched branches on my father’s side, and am abused regularly by my mother for having failed to start working on her side. I should have developed this sense of family several decades ago. And then there is my wife’s family.....

And then there’s Jan’s way!

If you don’t have time for traditional research, don’t worry, just take Jan Babb with you to a few likely genealogical libraries. Jan is a member of the Foundation’s board of directors, and is a very unusual woman.

This editor does not know whether or not Jan can use a divining rod to find water in the desert, but there is no doubt that she can use a similar technique to locate long sought genealogical data. If you are skeptical, read on.

One day while resting on a foot stool in a library aisle, Jan reached out, picked a book at random and found, in a totally unexpected state and county, the long sought marriage record of James Fuqua, brother of our missing John.

On another occasion Jan spun a microfiche carousel as if it was a wheel of fortune. When it stopped, England was closest so she picked a fiche at random and found, for the first time, two generations of English ancestors.

The genealogical exploits of Jan Babb will be described in more detail in a future issue, in a “Meet a Board Member” column.

Genealogical Queries

Subscribers are encouraged to submit queries for publication in The Fuqua Foundation News. Queries will be read by not only our subscribers, but by members of the many genealogy societies with whom we exchange publications, and by the patrons of libraries to whom we send the newsletter. There is no charge, no limit to the number of queries which may be submitted, and no restriction regarding the surnames for which queries may be submitted. Each query will be published once, unless re-submitted. The desired format is illustrated below.

One of these men is believed to be a **FUQUA**. The photograph was processed by the B. Moses Photo Gallery, established in 1846. It was located at #1 Camp Street on the corner of Canal in New Orleans, LA. Can anyone identify and provide information on the **FUQUA**? Nancy Scholz c/o the Fuqua Family Foundation, P.O. Box 260068, Littleton, CO 80163-0068



J. W. FUQUA lived in Forest Grove, Washington County, OR. He had a son, **Charles Harden FUQUA**, who lived in Aberdeen, Grays Harbor County, WA about 1915. **Charles'** first marriage was to **Jane P. DAY**, with whom he had a son, **Ray FUQUA**. Need info on this family, as well as any other marriages and children of **Charles**.

Lillian L. Nelsen, c/o Fuqua Family Foundation, P.O. Box 260068, Littleton, CO 80163-0068

John J. FUQUA was born 12 July 1805, married (1st) **Mary B. BEASLY** on 23 July 1829, and (2nd) **Eliza Ann EDWARDS** on 17 April 1834. **John** died 16 December 1845. The family seems to have settled in Bedford County, TN (See family bible record on page 137). Need info on the parents/siblings of **John J. FUQUA**.

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Okla Ola FUQUA and husband **Joseph A. STROUD** lived in Stecker, OK on 9 January 1914 when their daughter, **Cora Belle STROUD** was born (See obituary on page 138). Need info on the parents/siblings of **Okla Ola FUQUA**. She may have been a daughter of **William M. FUQUA** and **Cassandra Dillworth**.

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Stokely and Perrine FUQUA were the only two children of **Jacob FUQUA** and **Margaret LOONEY** (See documents on pages 138 and 139). Need info on **Stokely, Perrine** and their descendants.

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John S. FUQUA married (1st) **Mary (Polly) MINOR** on 3 April 1806 in Bedford County, VA. They had ten children. **John** married a second time and had three more children (See Family Group Record on page ____). His second wife is believed to have been **Lucy Jones**. Need confirmation of second wife's name and related info.

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The 1910 Soundex for Terrebonne Parish, LA listed **Gayden FAUQUAY** (born 1881 in LA), wife **ADA** (born 1883 in LA), daughter **Rosalee** (born 1903 in LA) and son **Gayden** (born 1907 in LA). Need info on this family.

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William Henry FUQUA was born 15 April 1854 in Marion County, MO. He married **Jeanne BRADLEY** on 1 January 1880. Need additional info on **William, Jeanne**, and their descendants.

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Porter Bush FUQUA was born 19 October 1865 in Monroe County, MO. He married **Jennifer WILSON** and they had a son, **Fred Wilson FUQUA**, born 1890 in TX. Need date and place of marriage, plus info on other children and descendants.

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Mary Jane FUQUA (born 1827, probably in Franklin County, AL) married **Francis COLEMAN** in Pontotoc County, MS. She died there in June, 1849. Need marriage date and names of any children.

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The 1870 Census and 1880 Soundex for Dinwiddie County, VA listed **George H. FUQUA** (born 1828 in VA), **Margaret** or **Martha** (born 1834 in VA), daughter

Arabella (born 1857) and daughter **Martha A.** (born January 1870 in Dinwiddie County, VA). Need info on this family.

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John FUQUA, son of **John FUQUA** and **Margaret LAWSON**, was born in Charlotte County, VA on 17 February 1788. In 1797, at the age of 9, he relocated with his parents to an area of Clark County, KY which later became Montgomery County. In 1810 he was included in the Montgomery County Census, and was still single. In 1810, 1811 and 1812 he was listed on the Montgomery tax rolls as **John, Jr.** In 1813 as **John**. He was not listed after 1813, and is presumed to have left the County. No further information has been found until 1830, when his son, **Alford G. FUQUA** (born in KY in 1813) applied for guardianship with the family of his aunt **Levina FUQUA WILSON** in Ralls County, MO. **John's** siblings were **Thomas Lawson FUQUA**, **Susannah FUQUA HITCHCOCK**, **William FUQUA**, **Mary (Polly) FUQUA SANDUSKY**, **James FUQUA**, **Matilda FUQUA BROTHERS**, and **Levina FUQUA WILSON**. Siblings who died young were **Elizabeth**, **Martha**, **Sally**, and **Smith FUQUA**. Need info on **John's** wife, other children, and his date and place of death.

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Hedgeman WILSON was born in VA on 28 July 1802. He married **Levina FUQUA** in Bourbon County, KY on 23 July 1823, and died on 10 May 1869 in Ralls County, MO. **Hedgeman's** siblings were **Benjamin**, **John F.**, **Alexander**, and **Frances**, all born in Virginia. Need info on his parents.

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On 18 July 1936, **Frank Witt FUQUA** married **Agnes Gertrude BRYANT** in Bowling Green, Warren County, KY. Daughter **Barbara Ann** was born 10 February 1941 and son, **Joseph Steven** on 5 September 1950, both in St. Petersburg, Pinellas County, FL. Need info on this family. Fuqua Family Foundation, P.O. Box 260068, Littleton, CO 80163-0068

The 1900 Soundex for Daviess County, KY listed **Gabe FUQUA** (born March 1875 in KY), wife **Etta** (born April 1874 in KY), son **Ernest** (born April 1895 in KY) and son **Chester** (born September 1899 in KY). Need info on this family.

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William FUQUA was born in Kentucky ca. 1814. He married **Elizabeth A. FIGGINS** (who was born in Kentucky ca. 1820) on 24 December 1837 in Ralls County, MO (he was listed as being from Pike County, MO). In 1850 they were living in Saverton Township, Ralls County, MO with their children **John** (age 11), **James** (age 9), **Edward** (age 5), and **George** (age 1), all of whom were born in Missouri. In 1860 they were living in Clay Township, Ralls County, MO with the same children plus three girls who do not appear to be their own. Need info on **William's** parents/siblings, and **William's** whereabouts after 1860.

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Everline FUQUA descended from **Guillaume Fouquet**, **Ralph**, **Isham** and **Nathan FUQUA**. In 1837 she married **Robert FUQUAY** in Cotton Gin Port, Monroe County, MS. **Robert FUQUAY** was a brother of **Joseph FUQUAY** (born ca. 1788, probably in VA), who had a son **Joseph** (born in Petersburg, Price George County, VA). After the death of **Joseph Sr.** after the War of 1812, **Robert** and **Joseph Jr.** migrated to Cotton Gin Port via Pulaski, TN. Need info on the parents/siblings of **Joseph Sr.** and **Robert**, plus any info on **Joseph Jr.**, his wife and his descendants.

Mrs. Charles W. Johnson c/o Fuqua Family Foundation, P.O. Box 260068, Littleton, CO 80163-0068

The 1920 Soundex for Escambia County, AL listed **Gussie FUQUA** (born 1881 in AL), wife **Martha**, plus daughter **Annie R.** (born 1908), son **Herman** (born 1910), Daughter **Eula M.** (born 1912), son **Sanford** (born 1914) and daughter **Marie** (born 1919), all in Alabama. Need info on this family.

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The Foundation receives a constant stream of letters asking for family information of one sort or another. The volunteers who do ALL of the work of the Foundation do their very best to answer these letters in a timely manner. In most cases, it has been possible to provide the requested information. In other cases, queries are published in The Fuqua Foundation News to try and help obtain the requested information. The information received in responses to the queries is added to the database, and then passed not only to the person who made the query, but also to others who are known to have an interest in the information. If you have previously received information, but it was incomplete, please ask again for what is missing. We may now have additional data that we will be glad to provide.

Genealogical Documents

Fuqua Family Bible

As published in the Bedford County [TN] Historical Society Quarterly, Volume 13.

These records were contained in a very large "Family Bible", the title page showing that the volume was "Printed and Published by Charles Gaylord" of Boston in 1822. It was purchased from the sale of Eustice Williams' effects. Mr. Williams was a well known citizen of Shelbyville and Bedford County. He died several years ago at

Eliza Ann Fuqua departed this life July 15, 1884.

Thomas H. Fuqua departed this life May 31, 1862 being 23 years and 17 days old.

Wilmoth Edwards departed this life June 6, 1864 in her 70 year.

Mary E. Fuqua departed this life November 27, 1878.

John T. Fuqua departed this life May 17, 1884.

Marriages

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John T. Fuqua was married to E. A. Cowan November 5, 1857.

John H. Woosley was married to Wilmoth Adalade Fuqua January 25, 1865.

George R. Nash was married to Corah Virginia Fuqua June 13, 1867.

In the M. E. Church North at 7 1/2 o'clock P.M., by Rev. Thomas Maddin, D. D., George W. Fuqua to Sallie E. Jones February 23, 1869

The Foundation has no record of John J. Fuqua's ancestry.

Certification of a Soldier's Death

As published in the Bedford County [TN] Historical Society Quarterly, Volume 13.

I certify that the within named Thomas H. Fuqua, a 5th Sergt. of Captain A. T. W. Alexander's Company C of the First Regiment of Tenn. Reg. Vols, born in the State of Tennessee, aged 22 years, 5 feet 7 inches high, fair complexion, black eyes, dark hair, and by occupation a carpenter. Was enlisted by Capt. M. Turney at Winchester, Tenn. on the 27th day of April 1861 to serve one year, was killed in the battle at Seven Pines May 31, 1862.

The said Thomas H. Fuqua was last paid by Maj. Alex Vick to include the 28th day of February 1862, and has pay due from that date and as Sergt. at that time to the time of his death.

(Other pay information included in the report)

Given in duplicate at Camp, near Fredericksburg, VA this 9th day of December 1862.

A. T. W. Alexander, Captain, Commanding Company

Thomas H[enry] Fuqua was a son of John J. Fuqua and Eliza Ann Edwards (see preceding Bible record).

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Obituary of Cora Belle Mingus, Daughter of Okla Ola Fuqua (ancestry unknown)

Published in The Miller County [MO] Autogram-Sentinel, 16 November 1995. Submitted by Peggy Smith Hake, Publisher of Seeking 'N Searching Ancestors, Route 1, Box 52, St. Elizabeth, MO 65075.

Cora Belle Mingus, 81, of Eldon, MO, died Sunday, Nov. 12, 1995, at Iberia [Miller County], MO.

She was born 9 January 1914 in Stecker, Oklahoma to Joseph A Stroud and Okla Ola Fuqua. On September 17, 1930 she was married in Arapahoe, Oklahoma to Edward C. Mingus, who died 12 Jan. 1978.

Mrs. Mingus was reared in El Reno, OK and moved to Eldon in 1945. She was a member of the Aurora Springs Baptist Church and the Eldon Chapter 310, Order of the Eastern Star.

Surviving her a son, Robert C. Mingus of Eldon; a sister, Hazell Orr of Las Vegas, Nevada; and a granddaughter.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday [15 Nov.] at Griswold-Kays Funeral Home in Eldon with the Rev. Dennis Nichols officiating. Burial was in Eldon Cemetery.

It is possible that Okla Ola Fuqua was a daughter of William M. Fuqua and Cassandra Dillworth. Any information from readers will be appreciated.

Transfer of Inheritance by Stokley Fuqua (Guillaume Fouquet, Ralph, Joseph and Jacob Fuqua)

**Deed Book 28, Page 427
Bedford County, Virginia**

This Indenture made the 7th day of January 1841 between Stokeley Fuqua late of the State of Alabama but now of the County of Bedford of the one part and Hezekiah Fuqua of the said County of Bedford of the other part Witnesseth, that for and in consideration of the sum of Sixty Seven dollars and fifty cents to the said Stokeley Fuqua in hand paid by the said Hezekiah Fuqua at or before the unsealing & delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, he the said Stokeley Fuqua hath bargained, sold, assigned, transferred, recused [?], released and forever quit claim and by these presents doth bargain, sell, assign, transfer, recuse [?], release and forever quit claim unto the said Hezekiah Fuqua all his the said Stokeley Fuqua's right, title, interest, claim or demand in any wise whatsoever in and to the estate real and personal now

undistributed whereof the late Joseph Fuqua died seized and possessed consisting of land and slaves now in the possession of Celia Fuqua the widow of the said Joseph Fuqua deceased, and also the sum of one thousand dollars now in the hands of the said Hezekiah Fuqua to the legal interest whereon the said Celia Fuqua is entitled during her life. The said Stokeley Fuqua being one of the two children of the late Jacob Fuqua who was a son of the said Joseph Fuqua deceased, and therefore the interest of the said Stokeley Fuqua in the estate herein and hereby conveyed being one half of the interest therein of the said Jacob Fuqua deceased. To have and to hold the entire interest of the said Stokeley Fuqua in and to the estate undistributed of the said Joseph Fuqua deceased above described unto him the said Hezekiah Fuqua his heirs, executors, administrators & assigns forever. And the said Stokely Fuqua hereby covenants to and with the said Hezekiah Fuqua that he has a good and indefensible right to transfer and convey unto him the interest aforesaid herein bargained, sold, assigned, transferred and released. In testimony whereof the said Stokeley Fuqua hereunto puts his hand and seal the day and year first aforesaid.

Stokely D. Fuqua (Seal)

Bedford Clerks Office January 7th 1841.

This deed from Stokeley D. Fuqua to Hezekiah Fuqua was acknowledged by the said Stokeley D. Fuqua & admitted to record.

Teste

R. C. Mitchell crc

Transfer of Inheritance by Perrine Fuqua (Guillaume Fouquet, Ralph, Joseph and Jacob Fuqua)

**Deed Book 29, Page 299
Bedford County, Virginia**

This Indenture made and entered into this 3rd day of January 1842 between Perine Fuqua of the one part and Hezekiah Fuqua of the other part both of Bedford County witnesseth that the said Perine Fuqua for and in consideration of the sum of sixty seven dollars and fifty cents to him in hand paid by the said Hezekiah Fuqua, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, he the said Perine Fuqua hath bargained, sold, transferred and assigned and by these presents doth bargain, sell, transfer, assign, recuse [?], release and forever quit claim unto the said Hezekiah Fuqua all his the said Perine Fuqua's right, title, interest, claim or demand whatsoever in and to the estate real and personal now undistributed whereof the late Joseph Fuqua died seized and possessed consisting of land and slaves now in the possession of Celia Fuqua the widow of the said Joseph Fuqua deceased, and also the sum of one thousand dollars now in the hands of the said Hezekiah Fuqua to the

legal interest whereon the said Celia Fuqua is entitled during her life. The said Perine Fuqua being one of the two children of the late Jacob Fuqua deceased who was a son of the said Joseph Fuqua deceased and therefore the interest of the said Perine Fuqua in the estate hereby intended to be conveyed being one half of the interest therein of the said Jacob Fuqua deceased. To have and to hold the entire interest of the said Perine Fuqua in and to the estate undistributed of the said Joseph Fuqua deceased above described unto him the said Hezekiah Fuqua his heirs & assigns forever and the said Perine Fuqua hereby binds himself his heirs, executors & administrators to forever warrant and defend the interest aforesaid hereby conveyed to him the said Hezekiah Fuqua his heirs executors and administrators free from the claim of all personal possession. In testimony whereof the said Perine Fuqua hereunto sets his hand and affixes his seal the day and year herein before written.

Perrine Fuqua (Seal)

Bedford Clerks Office January 3rd 1842.

This Indenture of bargain and sale from Perrine Fuqua to Hezekiah Fuqua was produced in the office acknowledged by the said Perrine Fuqua and admitted to record.

Teste

R. C. Mitchell crc

When Joseph Fuqua died in 1829, his estate was left undivided for the use of his widow, Celia Bondurant, for the remainder of her life. While the estate remained undivided, some of Joseph's children also died. At least one of his children, Jacob Fuqua, had preceded Joseph in death (1825), and had left two heirs, Stokely and Perrine. In the indentures presented above, Joseph's son Hezekiah purchased the inheritance rights of his two nephews, Stokely and Perrine.

Jacob's children have been a puzzle to many researchers, who will now have to find other connections for children previously assumed to have been Jacob's. While these indentures seem to firmly establish the connection of Stokely and Perrine to Jacob, little else is known about them by the Foundation. Any additional information will be appreciated, and will be published.

**Obituary of Henry C. Fuqua (Guillaume Fouquet, William, Moses, Obadiah and Moses M. Fuqua)
Monroe City, Monroe County, Missouri**

(Source was not provided by contributor)

Henry C. Fuqua was born in Malden, Kanawha County, West Virginia, August 30, 1830, died at his home in this city Friday, December 17, 1915, therefore was aged 85

years, three months and 18 days. Death followed a several days' illness of pneumonia. Although he had reached the advanced age of 85 years he had always enjoyed the best of health being unusually active and vigorous for one of his years. However, from the first stages of his illness little hope was held for his recovery, owing to his age and the severe form of the pneumonia, both lungs being affected.

The deceased was the fifth of seven children born to Moses and Susan Ruffner Fuqua. His father was one of the original operators of the Kanawha Salt Works in Kanawha County, West Virginia. In the year 1840 the family came to Missouri, locating at Hannibal. There in 1853 he was united in marriage to Mary Gentry. They resided in Hannibal until 1860, when they removed to a farm three miles southwest of this place. His wife, Mary, passed away in January, 1880. To this union had been born nine children. Five of the number grew to maturity, namely: William, Porter, Herb, Etta and Gent, the latter, however, being the only one now surviving. September 23, 1880, he was married to Miss Clara Van Stavern, of Quincy, Ill., who died April 17, 1913. To them were born two children, Mrs. Ralph V. Graham and Wray B. Fuqua, both of this city. He is also survived by eighteen grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Mr. Fuqua was one of the oldest and best known residents of this city, coming here in 1885. For a great many years he had been a member of the Presbyterian church, always taking an active part in its work. For twenty years, up until three years ago, he served as deacon of that church. At that time he was made an elder, which office he filled at the time of his death. He was a faithful attendant at all services of the church, being absent only when compelled to do so by the most urgent reasons. He was revered and held in the highest esteem by all.

Funeral services took place from the Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, conducted by Dr. E. McNair, assisted by Rev. W. Garnet Alcorn. At the conclusion of the services at the church the remains were taken in charge of by the I. O. O. F. lodge of which he had been a member a number of years. Burial was in St. Jude's cemetery under the rites of that order.

Family Group Record

HUSBAND: Henry C. Fuqua

Born: 30 Aug 1830 Place: Kanawha Co., WV

Marr: 7 Apr 1853 (1st) Place: Marion Co., MO

23 Sep 1880 (2nd) Adams Co., IL

Died: 17 Dec 1915 Place: Monroe Co., MO

Father: Moses Morton Fuqua

Mother: Susan B. Ruffner

WIFE (1st): Mary Jane Gentry
Born: 15 Apr 1832 Place: Marion Co., MO
Died: Jan 1880 Place: Monroe Co., MO

CHILDREN:

1. William Henry Fuqua
Born: 16 Apr 1854 Place: Marion Co., MO
Marr: 1 Jun 1880 Place:
Died: Place:
Spouse: Jeanne Bradley
2. Joshua Gentry Fuqua
Born: 1 Nov 1856 Place: Monroe Co., MO
Marr: 27 Sep 1887 Place: Ralls Co., MO
Died: 2 Mar 1917 Place: Monroe Co., MO
Spouse: Julia Watson
3. Porter Bush Fuqua
Born: 19 Oct 1865 Place: Monroe Co., MO
Marr: Place:
Died: 16 Apr 1926 Place: Kent Co., TX
Spouse: Jennifer (Jennie) Wilson
4. Ada E. Fuqua
Born: 1867 Place: Monroe Co., MO
Marr: Place:
Died: Place:
Spouse:
5. Joseph R. Fuqua
Born: Mar 1870 Place: Monroe Co., MO
Marr: Place:
Died: Place:
Spouse:
6. Herbert A. Fuqua
Born: 25 Dec 1872 Place: Monroe Co., MO
Marr: 29 Apr 1896 Place:
Died: 5 Aug 1903 Place:
Spouse: Sarah Elizabeth Foley

WIFE (2nd): Clara Amelia Van Stavern
Born: 13 Sep 1848 Place: Butler Co., PA
Died: 17 Apr 1913 Place:

CHILDREN:

1. Wray Brown Fuqua
Born: 4 May 1882 Place: MO
Marr: 6 Nov 1924 Place:
Died: 2 Dec 1948 Place:
Spouse: Marietta Schauf

2. Mary Van Fuqua
Born: 3 Jan 1884 Place: MO
Marr: 8 Mar 1907 Place:
Died: Place:
Spouse: Ralph V. Graham

**Petition to the Probate Court by William M. Fuqua
(Guillaume Fouquet, Ralph, John and John S. Fuqua)
Pontotoc County, Mississippi**

(This transcript was published in Pontotoc County Pioneers. It was indicated that there was no date on the document, and no source citation was provided.)

To the honorable William P. Tindall, Judge of the Probate Court of Pontotoc County in the State of Mississippi

The petition of William M. Fuqua, a resident of said county respectfully shows, that John Fuqua late of said county departed this life the 12th day of December last, leaving no will so far as your petitioner knows or believes. That said intestate died seised & possessed of a small personal estate consisting of a stock of hogs, cattle, a horse, & farming utensils, and some debts due him on notes & open account, being estimated to be worth not exceeding four hundred dollars. That your petitioner is the oldest son of said intestate. That besides your petitioner the decedant left thirteen other heirs & distributees to wit: Mildred Carter, Kitty Ann Carter, Martha E. Taylor, Robert H. Fuqua, Benjamin J. Fuqua, Armstead A. Fuqua, Doshia C. Fuqua, Children of said decedent & Francis M. Shelton, William V. Shelton, John C. Shelton, (left blank) Shelton, Jas. H. Norris, Martha Norris, who are grandchildren of said intestate, & minors. That your petitioner believes the said estate should be immediately administered he therefore prays your honor will grant letters of administration to him in the premises upon qualifying himself according to law & the directions of the court. Your petitioner begs leave to offer to the consideration of your honor R. Johnson, William B. Johnson as securities upon his bond, & to nominate R. Johnson, Robert Wood & J. C. Johnson as appraisers to value &c the goods & chattels of said personal estate of said intestate. And your petitioner will ever pray &c

Wm. M. Fuqua

Associated Information which was published in the American Sovereign newspaper, Pontotoc County, August 1853.

The following heirs were cited:

John R. Carter, Mildred C. Carter, Kitty [Catherine] Ann Carter, William T. Carter, F. [Frances] E. Shelton, W. V.

Shelton, The Unknown Heirs of F. E. and John Shelton, dec'd.

Citations for final account of Wm. M. Fuqua, administrator of John Fuqua, deceased were also issued to:

James H. Norris and Beverly A. Norris - Calhoun County, Miss., Robert H. Fuqua, Shaderick Jamison and Sarah Jamison his wife, Thos Shelton guardian of M. J. Norris, Wm M. Fuqua guardian of Armstead A. Fuqua, Docia C. Fuqua and James H. Norris - all of Pontotoc County, Mississippi.

These records are particularly useful in that they provide information regarding not only on the heirs of John Fuqua who were living at the time of probate, but also regarding a number of spouses and two guardianships.

Family Group Record

HUSBAND: John S. Fuqua

Born: 1772 Place: Bedford Co., VA
Marr: 3 Apr 1806 (1st) Place: Bedford Co., VA
(2nd)
Died: 12 Dec 1852 Place: Pontotoc Co., MS

WIFE: Mary (Polly) Minor

Born: 1791 Place: Bedford Co., VA
Died: 1820/1835 Place: Pontotoc Co., MS

CHILDREN:

1. Mildred Fuqua

Born: 24 Oct 1808 Place: Bedford Co., VA
Marr: 1835 Place: Franklin Co., AL
Died: 27 Dec 1893 Place: Ashley Co., AR
Spouse: John R. Carter

2. Catherine (Kitty) Ann Fuqua

Born: 10 Nov 1810 Place: Bedford Co., VA
Marr: 9 Aug 1828 Place: Franklin Co., AL
Died: 9 Feb 1905 Place: Ashley Co., AR
Spouse: William Taylor Carter

3. Frances Elizabeth Fuqua

Born: About 1820 Place: Bedford Co., VA
Marr: Place: Pontotoc Co., MS
Died: Mar 1851 Place: Smith Co., TX
Spouse: John A. Shelton

4. William Minor Fuqua

Born: 20 Oct 1812 Place: Bedford Co., TX
Marr: 28 Oct 1839 Place: Bedford Co., VA
Died: 21 May 1893 Place: Ellis Co., TX
Spouse: Mary Preas

5. John Preston Fuqua

Born: About 1815 Place: VA
Marr: Place:
Died: 30 Jun 1849 Place: Pontotoc Co., MS

6. Lucinda Adaline Fuqua

Born: About 1824 Place: VA
Marr: 1847/1848 Place: Pontotoc Co., MS
Died: Jun 1849 Place: Pontotoc Co., MS
Spouse: Beverly Norris

7. Sarah Fuqua

Born: About 1824 Place: Franklin Co., AL
Marr: 16 Sep 1847 Place: Pontotoc Co., MS
Died: Place:
Spouse: M. Shadrack Jamison

8. Robert Holder Fuqua

Born: 15 Jan 1825 Place: Franklin Co., AL
Marr: 12 Oct 1853 Place: Pontotoc Co., MS
Died: 22 May 1878 Place: Pontotoc Co., MS
Spouse: Sarah Jane Jenkins

9. Martha Emma Fuqua

Born: 22 Apr 1827 Place: Franklin Co., AL
Marr: 30 Dec 1846 Place: Pontotoc Co., MS
Died: 26 Apr 1890 Place: Smith Co., TX
Spouse: Josephus Taylor

10. Mary Jane Fuqua

Born: About 1827 Place:
Marr: Place: Pontotoc Co., MS
Died: Jun 1849 Place: Pontotoc Co., MS
Spouse: Francis Coleman

WIFE: Lucy Jones (not proven)

Born: About 1804 Place: VA
Died: Jun 1849 Place: Pontotoc Co., MS

Children:

1. Benjamin Jefferson Fuqua

Born: About 1835 Place: Franklin Co., AL
Marr: 20 Dec 1860 Place: Pontotoc Co., MS
Died: 4 Dec 1862 Place: Pontotoc Co., MS
Spouse: Elizabeth R. Whitlow

2. Armistead Alexander Fuqua

Born: 1 May 1838 Place: Franklin Co., AL
Marr: 31 May 1868 Place: Pontotoc Co., MS
Died: 23 Jul 1901 Place: Lamar Co., TX
Spouse: Nancy Josephine Roberson

3. Theodosia (Docia) Catherine Fuqua

Born: About 1840 Place: Pontotoc Co., MS
Marr: 7 Jul 1858 Place: Pontotoc Co., MS
Died: Place:
Spouse: Samuel A. Givens

California Death Index 1980 - 1984, a continuing series

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| Fuqua | Adela | P | | F | 560-16-2260 | 15 | 02-27-80 | 510 | 9785 |
| Fuqua | Albert | | | M | 439-18-5221 | 33 | 06-30-82 | 3112 | 95528 |
| Fuqua | Barbara | E | | F | 566-18-4569 | 20 | 04-04-81 | 114 | 48734 |
| Fuqua | David | W | MD | M | 562-26-7466 | 04 | 07-04-81 | 778 | 74593 |
| Fuqua | Elizabeth | J | | F | 449-20-6246 | 07 | 11-24-80 | 3879 | 161216 |
| Fuqua | Eula | K | | F | 551-14-3135 | 19 | 10-18-84 | 48967 | 158569 |
| Fuqua | Floyd | E | MK | M | 409-12-7359 | 33 | 05-13-82 | 2264 | 65340 |
| Fuqua | Fred | D | | M | 400-20-8698 | 38 | 02-21-83 | 1081 | 24346 |
| Fuqua | Jerome | H | | M | 517-07-5899 | 30 | 10-15-83 | 9368 | 142656 |
| Fuqua | John | W | | M | 572-29-9924 | 34 | 11-14-84 | 6230 | 183543 |
| Fuqua | Kathleen | M | | F | 571-22-3710 | 37 | 03-15-84 | 3151 | 40652 |
| Fuqua | Lester | W | | M | 450-03-7713 | 41 | 09-20-84 | 3222 | 137247 |
| Fuqua | Lillian | M | | F | 407-01-6511 | 19 | 09-05-84 | 41662 | 142473 |
| Fuqua | Marilla | | | F | 450-34-1136 | 19 | 05-26-82 | 24761 | 76548 |
| Fuqua | Murray | E | GH | M | 407-38-0243 | 33 | 03-12-81 | 1293 | 34332 |
| Fuqua | Ola | M | EF | F | 567-20-3520 | 37 | 01-05-83 | 84 | 23006 |
| Fuqua | Onnie | | SR | M | 374-10-9488 | 19 | 06-27-82 | 29513 | 90360 |
| Fuqua | Richard | L | | M | 570-94-0186 | 42 | 04-04-80 | 80654 | 51651 |
| Fuqua | Ronald | E | | M | 557-38-8290 | 39 | 10-31-81 | 2459 | 157955 |
| Fuqua | Ross | P | RL | M | 277-28-1685 | 41 | 11-10-82 | 3657 | 163124 |
| Fuqua | Velma | L | PJ | F | 551-38-8992 | 44 | 12-24-83 | 1586 | 178997 |
| Fuquay | John | W | HE | M | 560-42-1084 | 30 | 02-22-81 | 1703 | 18101 |
| Fuquea | Rosemary | | | F | 291-24-9364 | 37 | 10-10-81 | 11779 | 179829 |

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The most difficult question for neophytes to answer is "What software should I buy?" There are many genealogy programs from which to choose. Each has advantages and disadvantages when compared to the others. They range from very affordable to very expensive. Their utility is not only NOT necessarily related to price, it varies according to the preferences and requirements of the user.

An additional complication is the fact that time marches inexorable on. One's preferences and requirements may change. The availability of more sophisticated and user friendly genealogy programs will certainly change. This makes it highly probable that sooner or later a software upgrade, or a change to a completely new genealogy program will become desirable.

The one thing that all good genealogy programs have in common is GEDCOM. GEDCOM is an acronym which means Genealogical Data Communication. It is a means of converting genealogical information which is stored in a computerized database to a form which can be transported to a genealogy program in another computer, where it can be utilized by that program. The requirement, of course, is that the programs in both computers must have GEDCOM capability.

GEDCOM capability provides many benefits. First, it is a means by which one can exchange information with someone else. It can also be used to transfer information from an old genealogy program to a new one. In addition, there are specialized programs which can take a GEDCOM file and convert the contents into reports, etc. which may not be possible in a basic genealogy program.

GEDCOM files can be stored on floppy disks and sent through the mail. They can also be transferred directly between computers using MODEMs and a telephone connection. The advantages for moving data around are enormous.

The GEDCOM world is not perfect, however. The computer programmers who have written the various genealogy programs have used many techniques and formats for storing data in a way that will work efficiently with their particular programs. The THEORY of GEDCOM is that each programmer will write his program in such a way that his stored data can be converted into the GEDCOM format, and that data in a GEDCOM format can be converted into whatever format his program requires. If this is done, data can be easily transferred from one program to another.

The problem is that, like everything else related to computer programming, the results depend on the skill of the programmers and how serious they are about achieving "perfect" results. "Perfect" takes time, and time is money. The transfer of GEDCOM files between some genealogy programs is far from perfect. In fact, some genealogy programs don't have GEDCOM capability at all.

An additional complication is the fact that, like all other aspects of computer technology, the GEDCOM standard has developed over time. There have been at least five versions of the GEDCOM standard, each being more sophisticated (and bullet proof) than the last.

It sounds like a situation where it might be tempting to throw the baby out with the bath water. If a few common sense rules are followed, however, GEDCOM can be a very valuable tool.

First, if you are about to take your first plunge, DON'T do it with an old program. Old programs which have been upgraded are not OLD programs, they are IMPROVED programs. Old programs which have not been upgraded are OLD programs and, if they include GEDCOM capability, are probably using an old standard. Upgraded programs usually have version numbers. The age of any program can be determined by checking the date on the executable file or files.

Second, be sure the program includes GEDCOM capability. It can't be used if it is not there.

If you are moving to an upgraded version of your old program, or to a new and better program, GEDCOM transfers usually work when moving upwards in the standards hierarchy. They usually work imperfectly in the other direction.

GEDCOM needs to be done carefully and with full knowledge of what is happening. Before trying it, get a full explanation from someone who can also provide a demonstration.

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From the Permian Basin Genealogical Society newsletter, May 1994.

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Every family has illegitimate children here and there, but consider these: Pope Clement VII, spiritual head of the Catholic Church; Leonardo Da Vinci, artist; Josephine de Beauharnais, Napoleon's wife; Frederick Douglas, aboli-

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