

# Correspondence on Family of Samuel Crawford & Jannet Mason

By Jerry Long

Received 29 September 1980

Dear Jerry,

Sorry to be so long. I can't ever seem to get things done when I mean to do them. Enclosed is all I have found on Samuel Crawford. William Crawford, his son is my line. I'm sending along a deed from Ohio Co.Ky. if you don't have it, it clarifies the Pates. Although on my William Sr. the children of deceased daughter Jane Crawford wasn't clear. Jane had died and left her children Martin Wale Jr., Rosina Moorman, Julia Burditt who had died by 1859 & left one son Wm. Worth Burditt, and my Gt.Grandmother was omitted entirely Eliza Jane who married Thomas Burditt another dau of Jane Crawford Wale and sister to Martin Wale Jr. ,Rosina, and Julia dec'd. A lawsuit is found in Breckinridge Co.Ky. and several deeds showing she was given her part of Jane Crawford's heirship from Samuel Crawford. I didn't send it because I didn't think you wanted a side line but I have to tell that to prove I'm decended also.

My grandmother was Elizabeth Burdette, dau of Thomas & Eliza Jane (Wale) Burdett. She married Robert C. Cummings. Robert Cummings in the Owensboro phone book is my first cousin. But he isn't too interested in the family line. I was born and raised in Owensboro. Only lived in Evansville the last ten years.

## Bedford Co.Va. Deed Book 3, p.420

27 Mar. 1770 Richard Stith Ertor for Richard Randolph dec'd of Henrico Co. Va. to James & Samuel Crawford, sons of William Crawford dec'd, for the sum of----pounds, seven shillings, six pence convey a tract of land 212A on both sides of Haye's Fork on Goose Creek. rec'd 27 Mar.1770

## Bedford Co.Va, Deed Book 5, p.474

23 Apr. 1772 James Crawford & Samuel Crawford of Botetourt Co.Va. to John Mills for sum of 140 pds convey 212A on both sides Hayes Fork on Goose Creek. rec'd 27 July 1772 Wit: Jms, Alcorn, Wm. Mitchell, Mary Mills, John Mills Sr.

I guess you have Samuel marriage to Jennet Mason from Sumner's History of Southwestern Va. and several deeds in it also. Kegley's Va.Frontiers has them too.

Do you know Lilliam Trenton, 608 Triplett? She is a decendent of Joseph Mason, a brother of Jennet Mason Crawford?

This is the spot we are all hung up at. If yo can add anything will be happy to know it.

Sincerely,  
Bettie Anne Cook  
3318 Wimberg Ave.  
Evansville, IN 47712

Ohio Co.Ky. Deed Book Q, p.134

5 March 1859 - Jefferson Jennings Commissioner for the heirs of Samuel Crawford to Thomas G. Smith ..... being the eight heirs of Samuel Crawford and such as have died

1. Joseph Allen and Peggy Allen his wife,
2. Sarah Jackson,
3. Mason Crawford,
4. The heirs of Polly Pate dec'd viz: Samuel Pate, Jeriamiah Pate, James A. Pate, William Pate, Mason Pate, Edward Pate, Ellen Hambleton and Edward Hambleton her husband, Mary Kincheloe and Richard Kincheloe her husband, and children and heirs of John Pate dec'd viz: Clinton Pate, John D. Pate, Henry Pate, children and heirs of Samuel C. Pate dec'd viz: George L. Pate, William Clark Pate, John Alfred Pate, Francis Pate, Edward G. Pate, James B. Pate, Alcey Walker and Charles Walker her husband, Charles S. Pate, Eliza Jane Pate and the children and heirs of Julia Phelon dec'd viz: Ellish? Phelon, Laura Phelon, Sarah Phelonl & Richard Phelon being the heirs of Polly Pate dec'd.
5. The heirs of Eleanor Jennings dec'd viz: Jefferson Jennings, the heirs of James Jennings dec'd viz::Thomas Jefferson Jennings, James Jennings and Martha Jane Jennings,: Jefferson Jennings, the only children and heirs of Henry Jennings dec'd viz: Elen Claudell & Edward Claudell her husband, Margaret A. Jennings, Mary L. Jennings, James Jennings Jr.
6. Also the heirs of William Crawford Sr. dec'd viz:Winifred Crawford Richey, Catherine Thompson, Martin Wale Jr. William Worth Burditt, Rosina Moorman and James Moorman her husband, the children and only heirs of William H. Crawford dec'd viz: Betsy Ann Crawford, Jane Crawford, Tabot Crawford, Lousia Crawford, James Crawford, William Crawford, Samuel Crawford and Sarah P. Crawford,
7. Also the heirs of Samuel Crawford Jr. viz: Davis E. Crawford, Cynthia Boyd and William G. Boyd her husband, Elmena Younger and George Younger her husband and Samuel C. Crawford,
8. Also the heirs Jane Pate dec'd viz: Polly Crow and John Crow her husband, William Pate Sr., the heirs of Margaret Blincoe viz: Elizabeth F. Blincoe, John B. Blincoe, Daniel J. Blincoe, Mary Ann Blincoe, Virginia Blincoe, the children and heirs of Allen Pate dec'd viz: Mary R.G. Pate, ? R. Pate, Edward S. Pate, Cullen C. Pate, Margaret L. Pate, Acanthus A. Pate, Minerva Jane Pate, Mary E. Pate, Hetty Ann Pate, Laura E. Pate, the children and heirs of Samuel C. Pate dec'd a son of Jane Pate dec'd viz: Gabriel Pate, Eliza Banks and Elias Banks her husband, James M. Pate, John Pate, William L. Pate, Samuel M. Pate, Eli W. Pate, Letitia Pate, the heirs and children of Jane Smith dec'd, another dau of said Jane Pate dec'd viz: John T. Smith, Mary J. Tribble, and Henry Tribble her husband, Margaret Smith, Henry A. Smith and Rebecca Smith .... all above heirs of Samuel Crawford Sr.

recorded 5 March 1859 Ohio Co.Ky.

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Kentucky Ancestors, Volume 20, Number 4, Spring 1985, Kentucky Historical Society, Frankfort, KY, p202):

#### THE HEIRS OF SAMUEL CRAWFORD SR. OF OHIO COUNTY KENTUCKY

The transcription of this "Indenture"--entered In Ohio County, Kentucky, Deed Book Q, pages 134-37--was submitted by Mrs. Louise Angie Kishi (9901 Mercier, Kansas City, MO 64114). The 1857 record of the "Ohio Circuit Court" Is a settlement of the estate of Samuel Crawford, Sr., whose will (written in 1818) was probated in that court thirty-six years earlier, in 1821, the year of his death. Named are approximately one hundred descendants of this Samuel Crawford who married Jenet (Janet) Mason in Botetourt County, Virginia, on 25 March 1771. His heirs Include many grandchildren and great-grandchildren, including great-granddaughter Louisa Crawford, the great-grandmother of Mrs. Kishi.

From DEED BOOK Q (PAGES 134-37), OHIO COUNTY (HARTFORD), KENTUCKY--

This Indenture made this 3 day of October 1857 Between Jefferson Jennings as Commissioner appointed by an order of Sale and Judgment of the Ohio Circuit Court of the first part and Thomas G. Smith of Ohio County of the second part witnesseth that whereas on the 19th day of November 1852 The heirs of Samuel Crawford decd exhibited their petition in Equity in the Ohio Circuit Court praying for a Sale of 300 acres of Land described in said petition and for an Equitable division of the proceeds amongst said heirs on account of said land not being divisible in kind. Said Court appointed Commrs for the purpose who reported the value of said land at \$600 and that said lands was not susceptible of division and therefore at the same time the Court made an order for the sale of said land for the benefit of the heirs of Samuel Crawford decd and appointed the said Jefferson Jenings a Commissioner to sell and convey the said land either at public or private sale who did on the 7th day of April 1857 sell the 300 acre, tract of land described in the petition and Exhibits at private sale to the said Thomas G. Smith for the sum of \$800 and the other half payable the 1st day of October 1857 & the other half payable the 1st day of October 1858 with interest on each payment from the date of sale and secured the same by the bonds of said Smith with Steven R. Moredock Security for the purchase money of which sale the said Commissioner made report to said Court at the October Term 1857 which sale was on the 3rd day of October 1857 confirmed by said Court. Now therefore the said Commissioner by Virtue of the Judgment & order of sale aforesaid and in fulfillment & execution of said sale hereby sells and conveys to the said Thomas G. Smith the said land which as appears by the Petition and Exhibits lies in Ohio County on Rough Creek was conveyed by William Fitzhugh to the said Samuel Crawford by deed dated the 3d day of November 1814 and bounded as follows to wit Beginning at a beech and sugartree on the North bank of Rough Creek and lower corner of James McDaniels 1360 acre survey Thence with his line N10°E280 poles to a beech Thence S85 W190 poles to a white and Sugartree Thence S10 E160 poles to two beeches Thence S31°E69 poles to an ash and beech on the bank of a ? Thence down the same S20°W22 poles to 2 beeches on the bank of Rough Creek Thence up the creek with its meanders & binding thereon to the beginning Containing 300 acres more or less which land the said J. Jennings as Commissioner for and on behalf of the petitioners the heirs of Samuel Crawford decd as set out in said Petition and amended petition of survivor which record & proceedings are here refind to

The original heirs being 8 in number who and the heirs of such as have died are as follows .....  
[see preceding letter of Bettie Ann Cummings Cook]

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Kentucky Family Records, Volume 15, 1991, West-Central Kentucky Family Research Association, Owensboro, KY, p62:

CRAWFORD CEMETERY  
Breckinridge County, KY

On the north side of Highway 992 about 3 miles east of the Breckinridge-Hancock County line. On farm of Ed Campbell. From his home, a grey bedford stone, walk across open field. Cemetery sets in a clump of trees on the east edge of the field. Found 7 inscribed monuments. Cemetery is enclosed by 2 foot long rectangular stones. Copied 19 May 1980 by Jerry Long, Owensboro, KY.

Crawford, S. C.	17 Aug 1815	13 Mar 1893
Crawford, Samuel	29 Jan 1781	23 May 1824
Crawford, Theodisia Earl	29 Jan 1788	22 Apr 1854
Fitzgerald, Eliza Jane	14 Mar 1811	27 Aug 1836 (aged 25 y, 5 m, 13 d)
Younger, John Saml.	1 Sep 1840	30 Sep 1840 (s/o G. M. & E.)
Crawford, Mary Angeline	21 Nov 1816	22 Jul 1842
Crawford, Daviess Earl	6 Dec 1806	11 Nov 1862

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18 May 1981

Paul J. Ostendorf

27 Grove Street  
Minneapolis, MN 55401

Brother Ostendorf:

My name is Jerry Long. I am a fourth great-grandson of John Pate and Jane Crawford, daughter of Samuel Crawford. I have enclosed my ancestor chart showing line of descent.

Mrs. Lillian Trenton, of Owensboro, told me of your work on the Crawford family. Last week I visited the Breckinridge County library and saw the book you compiled on the Crawford family. I really enjoyed looking through the book and would love to have a copy so I could study

it more closely. Is it possible to have a copy Xeroxed from your latest edition. I would be more than willing to pay not just for copying but also for your trouble and postage.

Ave you in recent months gotten any more clues as to the father of Samuel Crawford? In your fifth edition (1980) I notice where you state it could have been possibly John, William or Alexander Crawford.

While at the Breckinridge County library I checked the Allen – Jennings family folder which contained notes written by Mary Ellen Goodson, a daughter of Alfred Allen, and granddaughter of Col. Joseph Allen and Margaret Crawford. She wrote that “Samuel Crawford’s father was Alexander Crawford, who married Mary McPheeters in Augusta County, Virginia.” I am sending a xerox of the page from which I found this quote.

The book A Supplement to the Annals of Augusta County, Virginia had information on the family of this Alexander Crawford, and according to this record he did have a son named Samuel, quote: “Samuel Crawford, the eighth child, nothing is known of him.” Alexander Crawford’s oldest son, William, was born in 1744, which would indicate his son, Samuel, would have been born in the vicinity of 1752.

The notes of Mrs. Goodson give no proof or any clues as to how she deduced this conclusion. Was it passed down through the family, or was it an educated guess? Notice (second line) she writes that Samuel Crawford married second “Elizabeth Craig”. I don’t know if she is in error or not but the Ohio County will of Elizabeth (Crawford) Thrasher prove she was originally a Blacklock. However, she may have been married to a Craig prior to her marriage to Samuel Crawford and Eli Thrasher.

I’m sure you have the name of Mrs. Michael Cook, of Evansville, IN; she is a descendant of Samuel Crawford’s son, William, who married Malinda Hardin. I received a letter from her and she wrote that Samuel Crawford was the son of William Crawford. She cites as proof Bedford County, VA deed book 3, page 420: “27 March 1770 Richard Stith Ertor for Richard Randolph dec’d of Henrico Co. Va. to James & Samuel Crawford, sons of William Crawford dec’d, for the sum of-----pounds, seven shillings, six pence convey a tract of land 212A on both sides of Haye's Fork on Goose Creek.” The time and place are right for this to be our Samuel Crawford. Also Samuel named his first son, William, which all builds a convincing case for William Crawford as the father. Have you been able to arrive at a conclusion, or do you still consider it premature?

Sincerely yours, a sixth cousin  
Jerry Long,

1701 Alexander Avenue  
Owensboro, KY 42301

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7 June 1981, Sunday

Mr. Jerry Long  
1701 Alexander Avenue  
Owensboro, KY 42301

Dear Cousin Jerry,

What a delight to get your letter! You have done some extraordinary research on your line; you should be congratulated,

Mrs. Lillian Trenton, of Owensboro has been doing work on the Mason line and we write to each other occasionally. She seems to be a delightful person. I am pleased she told you about me.

I have given Breckinridge County, KY several editions of my Crawford Family and I am pleased the fifth edition has remained there. Others have developed leg. I have one "traveling" copy of the 5th edition that I send to cousins. Right now it is in the hands of a cousin that Mrs. J. S. Kishi, P.O. Box 1252 Enterprise, AL 36331 knows, the cousin has had it since January so I don't know what to think. I have written to Mrs. Kishi to ask what happened to the copy. I am reluctant to send my own copy to cousins but as soon as I get my copy back, I'll send it to you with all the additions (and corrections) that have been made since I compiled the 5th edition. I have some added entry on thirty six pages of it.

Although I am a librarian at St. Mary's College, I am now a full-time student at the U. of Minnesota, studying more library science beyond the master's degree I have in it. I will be at the above address for 15 months. That means that I will have to take my master copy to the library and try to make copies for you if I don't get the "traveling" copy back. Don't be afraid to remind me if I don't send you a copy in a month,

Mrs. Cook is a professional genealogist and your cousin also. I once wanted to visit her when I was driving through the area and working on the family history but the Cooks were not interested. I went to libraries instead. What she has found, I accept as certain. I could not find it myself in the Bedford records but I was looking only at copies in a library, I do not accept the Goodson statement about the father of Samuel being Alexander.

Have you seen the statement in the Genealogical Helper of some organization for the Descendants of Samuel Crawford and Jane Mason? One of the cousins who has the traveling copy of my book is a co-founder of the organization. I did not hear about it until I read the notice in the Helper. There are no details and I have never had any correspondence with Mrs. Edward Sneed, Rt.5, Box 562, Carthage, MO 64836. I was just down to St. Louis, to visit my mother and went to a wedding out near Carthage. I didn't know about the "Sneed connection" until I got home and saw the Helper.

Thank you again for writing to me. I have heard that Mrs. Sneed is going to publish a book on the Crawfords. In the meantime, if you wish to copy for yourself ALL of the 5th edition, you have my permission.

All is well. Hope the same is with you,

Sincerely,  
Paul J. Ostendorf

27 Grove Street  
Minneapolis, MN 55401

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1 December 1991

Paul Ostendorf  
Saint Mary's College  
700 Terrace Heights  
Winona, MN 55987

Dear Bro. Paul,

I am very sorry I have taken so long in answering your letter. I should have sent some response immediately. I put it off thinking I would find the time to type onto family group sheets data from your book on the first two generations of Mason Crawford's family. I thought this would be a good way of asking you if you had any corrections or additions. I never found the time to do this.

Please tell your mother that I unfortunately have, never learned where our ancestor Samuel Crawford, Sr. is buried. I have been to the cemetery where his son, Samuel, Jr., is buried, near the Pisgah Baptist Church in Breckinridge County, KY. The cemetery is in fairly good condition. Samuel, Jr.'s monument is well preserved. The layout of the cemetery and the fact there is no monument for Samuel, Sr. suggests that he was not buried there. Samuel, Sr. & his wife may have been buried on their home farm. I would like to trace the land owned by him, down to the present, to see where it was located. So many things that could be done, if we only had the time.

In your letter you mentioned that you donated a copy of your Crawford book to several libraries. If you donated one to Owensboro it never made its way to the library. I have your Crawford edition dated 4 July 1980 (5th edition). Is it possible to purchase your revised copy (or additions) of the Crawford book?

Do you have a picture of the gravestone of Mason Crawford (1783-1865)? If so, could I possibly have a copy made? I have pictures of the monuments of Samuel Crawford, Jr. (1781-1824) and Margaret Crawford Allen (1779-1862). If you would like copies of these I would be glad to send them. I hope to sometime obtain a picture of the monument of William Crawford (c1776-1845). I am not sure if Eleanor Crawford Jennings (1777-1817) has a surviving monument or not. I have seen a reference to an old Jennings cemetery at Hardinsburg, KY, but it was not listed in a recent volume of Breckinridge County, KY cemeteries. The next time I am at Hardinsburg I am going to enquire about it.

Have you ever heard anything about a family association for the descendants of Samuel Crawford & Janet Mason? Several years ago I believe I read about plans for organizing one but have never seen anything else about it.

Have you done any research on the Tharp-Thorp-Allenthorpe family. I know you are not a descendant but thought you may have tried to learn something about the family of Mason Crawford's second wife. Recently I have been looking for info on the Thorps of Kentucky for Brother Leo Willett, another gracious and dedicated family historian. If you have not already and would like to write him, you can contact him at the: Marianist Provincialate, P.O. Box 23130, St. Louis, MO 63156-3130.

Have you all the biographical data you need on Senator Thomas Clay McCreery (1816-1890) of Owensboro, KY? We have several articles on him in our files in the Kentucky Room of the Owensboro Library, which is located on part of his former property. I have talked to his great-grandson, Thomas M. Stuart (Rt 1, Box 108, Owensboro, KY 42301) several times. He has pictures and letters of Sen. McCreery.

Yes, my phone # is 502-684-6299. Enjoyed hearing from you. And I again apologize for my long delay. Thank you for your work on our relatives! Best wishes and have a happy holidays.

A cousin,  
Jerry Long

1701 Alexander Ave.  
Owensboro, KY 42303

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18 January 1992

Dear Jerry,

Instead of filling the forms for you I would like to send you a copy of my traveling copy of the Crawford Family, 5<sup>th</sup> ed., 1980 and let you copy what you want. At present the traveling copy is traveling but it should be back soon. I lost my traveling copy of the McCreery Family but made another copy. It cost me fifty dollars. I'll remember in the future to whom I send my copies

If you wish one or both of my works (Crawford and McCreery) let me know. The McCreery is available.

I have heard of some "cousins" wanting to start a S. Crawford & Janet Mason family association but it didn't occur. I would like to join it if someone else does it. I could not handle it myself right now.

I have tried to search for Tharp=Thorp-Allenthorpe but there was little to go on. I have T. M. Stuart's book, which is good. I have not written to him in ages. Just as I haven't written to you.



Thank you for Br. Leo Willett's address

Enclosed find photo of Mason Crawford's grave stone. It was scattered when I found it. It is near John Denson's stone who gave the land for the cemetery. It is in disrepair and the grass and brush are rarely cut. I have a copy of Henderson Mason's grave stone on a photo also, but I didn't take it.

Enclosed is a copy of my Christmas letter. I just was chosen for a supporting role in an original play to be produced on campus. The playwright won first prize in a national contest for it. This will be the first production so we expect many revisions.

All is well. Let me know if you want both traveling copies.

Sincerely,  
Paul Ostendorf  
Saint Mary's College  
700 Terrace Heights  
Winona, MN 55987

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23 January, 1996

Mr. Jerry Long  
Owensboro Public Library  
450 Griffith Ave.  
Owensboro, Kentucky, 48301

Dear Mr. Long,

Do you have any information on the parents of Sarah Crawford? Enclosed are fact sheets on Sarah and her husband George Jackson. Her parents were Samuel Crawford and Janette Mason.

Do you have any names and addresses to persons researching the Crawford name?

Can you give me the addresses of the Filson Club and that Western Kentucky Family history association?

One last thing, would you please look through you register of Daviess County burials for Letitia Lanham. She was the daughter of George Jackson and Sarah Crawford and the wife of John Wesley Lanham. She died after 1876.

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,  
Donald F. Claeys

206 Woodsboro Drive  
Royal Oak, MI 48067

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14 February 1996

Donald F Claeys  
206 Woodsboro Drive  
Royal Oak, MI 48067

Dear Mr. Claeys;

I am writing in response to your letter of 23 January 1996 You requested any data on your ancestors, Samuel Crawford & Janette Mason. Enclosed are some pages from my personal files I am also descended from this couple They are my 5th great-grandparents. Included are a family group chart for Samuel & Jane, my ancestor chart showing my line of descent, and an 1857 Ohio County, KY deed that lists many descendants of Samuel Crawford.

In your first letter you referred to a book on the Christopher M Jackson family by Dorothy P Gross Would you please tell me a little about this book? How many pages is it' Is it still available? If so how much is it and where do you write?

Which one of the children of John Wesley Lanham & Letitia Jackson do you descend? Do you have a family group sheet for that child that you would share with In the Daviess County, KY cemetery volumes that we have I could not find Letitia Jackson Lanham (born 1807). Several have written that she was buried in the Jackson Cemetery in an unmarked grave.

Here are the addresses you requested:

Filsón Club Library  
1310 S Third St.  
Louisville, KY 40208

West Central Kentucky Family Research Assoc.  
Post Office Box 1932  
Owensboro, KY 42302-1932

Good luck in your research!

Yours truly,  
Jerry Long  
Kentucky Room  
Daviess County Public Library.  
Home:  
1701 Alexander Ave.  
Owensboro, KY 42303  
phone 502-684-6299

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28 February 1996

Jerry Long  
450 Griffith Avenue  
Owensboro, Kentucky 42301

Dear Jerry,

Hello, thank you for your letter and family history information. I found your data interesting and helpful, as I had very little on the Crawfords.

In reply to your request for information on the Christopher M. Jackson book by Dorothy P. Gross, I've enclosed some copies from the book. In May of 1994, Mrs. Gross charged \$20.00 for her book of over three hundred pages. I feel her book was well done with numerous references to records, wills, etc., with some pictures of tomb stones, maps and documents. I would be happy to make a gift to the Daviess County Library for the purchase of the book (plus postage and handling) if you can arrange it. Please write and let me know.

Also enclosed you will find family data sheets on Letitia Jackson and her family. I'm descended from her son Samuel Lanham, Do you have any knowledge of Samuel Crawford serving in the Revolution or War of 1812?

Also enclosed find \$1.00 bill for the copies you sent me.

Yours truly,  
Donald F. Claeys  
206 Woodsboro Drive  
Royal Oak, MI 48067

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6 June 1996

Donald F. Claeys  
206 Woodsboro Drive  
Royal Oak, MI 48067

Dear Mr. Claeys:

Sorry it has taken me so long to reply to your letter of 28 Feb 1996. Thank you for the Jackson - Lanham data you sent. Today I have also sent my check to Dorothy P. Gross for her book on the Jack sans - hoping she still has a copy available.

I have sent a copy of the data I have on the family of John Wesley Lanham & Letitia Jackson. I believe you have most of the same - except for a few details. Also enclosed is a preliminary family group sheet for the family of Samuel Lanham (1832-1906). Would you please help me fill in any blanks? I will then attempt to add to this from the local records.

Thanks again for writing. Happy hunting!

Yours truly,  
Jerry Long

1701 Alexander Ave.  
Owensboro, KY 42303  
phone 502-684-6299

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24 January 1997

Donald F. Claeys  
206 Woodsboro Drive  
Royal Oak, MI 48067

Dear Mr. Claeys:

Thank you for the recent information you sent on the Lanham family In December I moved and my new address is:

Jerry Long  
2906 Redford Dr.  
Owensboro, KY 42303-1642

In our data you reported that Samuel Lanham's first wife, Elizabeth Sparks, died on 27 April 1863. Do you know the source for this date? I have never found her in any cemetery listing. Do you know if any pictures of Samuel Lanham (1832-1906) exist? If you should have any I would like to pay you to get a reproduction.

Enclosed is a copy of the obituary for your great-grandmother, Mary Margaret Rogers Lanham, from the Owensboro Messenger of 9 July 1924. I located her gravestone at Elmwood Cemetery, here in Owensboro, it is in section A- row 10. The inscription on her monument reads: Mary M. Lanham, born 23 December 1840, died 6 July 1924. Would you have a copy of an obituary for your grandmother, Sarah Jane Lanham Jones Gillis? If you do or if you ever locate one I would like to have a copy. I checked the Owensboro newspaper following her death but found none, possibly there was one in the Akron, Ohio paper.

Please keep me in mind if you ever make any great discoveries on the Crawford - Jackson - Lanham lines. Thanks again.

Yours truly,  
Jerry Long

2906 Redford Dr.  
Owensboro, KY 42303-1642  
phone 502-684-6299

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27 Jan 1997

Mr. Jerry Long  
2906 Redford Dr.  
Owensboro, KY 42303

Hello Jerry,

Thank you for your letter and the obit. The obit is a great find. Thank you.

The source of Elizabeth Sparks death date came from Grace B. Bell, 6381 Foster Rd., Philpot, KY, in a letter dated 9 April 1995. She has an enormous amount of data on the Jackson/Lanham family.

Sorry, I have no pictures of Samuel Lanham, but I believe I know where I can send you to obtain one. See Joe A. Jones, 6889 Hwy 1389, Owensboro, KY. He's a cousin of mine although we only met once in 1994. He invited my parents, aunt and uncle and me into his home and while there produced an old photo album of Lanham family members. Joe's grandmother was Emma Florence Lanham. That album may contain a photo of Sam. If you should see Joe and make a copy of Sam or others please have a copy made for me. I know some photographers can be rather expensive. Some like to hold the negative and others will give you the negative. Please let me know what you do.

Lately I've been using our computer to use the Prodigy genealogy bulletin board and found some info on Crawford/Mason. I've enclosed what I have. If you have a computer address let me know. Mine is BAUF46E@prodigy.com.

My mother is going to make a xerox of the obit of Sarah Jane you requested and will mail it to you soon.

I'm worried about the Jones cemetery on Donald Manley's farm. Has he sold off any of his farm yet?

Your cousin,  
Donald F. Claeys  
206 Woodboro Drive  
Royal Oak, Mi 48067-1378

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6 June 1996

Dorothy P. Gross  
Woodway Meadows  
10615 237th Place S.W.

Edmonds, WA 98020

Dear Ms. Gross:

My name is Jerry Long. I work in the Kentucky Room at the Owensboro, KY Public Library. Several have told me about your book on the Jackson family. I recently viewed a copy at the Ohio County Library in Hartford, KY. I was very impressed.

I am not a Jackson descendant but many of my ancestral families (Crawford, Mason, Pate) married into the Jackson family. If copies of your book are still available I would very much like to acquire a copy. Mr. Donald F. Claeys of Royal Oak, MI said you had been requesting \$20.00 for a copy. Enclosed is my check for this total plus \$4.00 for postage. If this is not sufficient I would gladly remit more. Thank you for all the work!!!

Yours truly,  
Jerry Long

1701 Alexander Ave.  
Owensboro, KY 42303  
phone 502-684-6299

[on 15 June 1996 received copy of nook, Christopher Maccabeus Jackson of Virginia and Kentucky (ca. 1737-1804) by Dorothy P. Gross, Edmonds, WA, 1990.]

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7 April 1999

Bob King  
2825 West South Slope Road  
Emmett, ID 83617

Dear Mr. King:

Enclosed is a copy of the marriage bond of John A. King & Mary Jackson from Daviess County, KY Marriage Book B, page 236. The marriage of William H. King and Josephine Evans was recorded in Ohio County, KY Marriage Book 7, page 562. We do not have copies of the original here at our library. You can get a copy by writing County Court Clerk, Ohio County Courthouse, P0 Box 85, Hartford, KY 42347-0085. William & Josie were married on 31 December 1892.

When we talked on the phone I did not realize that we were both descendants of the same Taylor family from the Bell's Run area of Ohio County. Mary S. Jackson King was a daughter of Samuel Jackson & Ada Priscilla Taylor and granddaughter of John Peyton Taylor & Mary Davis. For my files I would appreciate any data on the family of William H. King & Josie Evans. What was his middle name? Do you have any information on the other children of John A. & Mary S. (Jackson) King? Do you know John A. & Mary S.'s middle names?

I have enclosed a listing of the marriage of John A. King & Mary Jackson from the 1852-1861 Daviess County, KY Vital Statistics. I have hilited their entry. According to this record John A. King was born in Ohio County, KY and this was his 2nd marriage. He married 1st Amanda Dodson in Daviess County, KY on 26 January 1850. In studying the 1830, 1840 & 1850 Ohio County censuses I suspect that John A. King (1830-1907) and Elijah King (1836-1895) were sons of Osburn King & Melvina Dawson, who were married in Daviess County on 8 October 1829. Osburn is listed in the 1830 & 1840 Ohio County censuses. Could not find Osburn or Melvina in the 1850 census, Possibly both had died 1840-1850. I have never seen any records that proved who the children of Osburn were. This Osburn is referred to as "Junior" but I do not know if he was a son of Osburn, Sr., or his alleged brother, Thomas King, who both resided in the Daviess-Ohio area.

For the enclosed microfilm copies and postage please remit \$1.50 to the Daviess County Public Library, Kentucky Room, 450 Griffith Ave., Owensboro, KY 42301.

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Dear Mr. Thomson:

Thank you for the ancestor chart you sent. I am sorry I have not answered before now. I was hoping to fill in the chart and send you a copy but I have not been able to do so yet. I am sending a copy of another chart I had filled out. I hope you can read it.

My great-great-grandmother, America Long (b.1826), was a Burrus. Her great-grandparents were Edmund Burrus and Mary Wisdom. Edmund Burrus wrote his will 12 December 1780 and it was recorded in Orange County, Va. on 28 June 1781. He was a brother of your ancestor, Thomas Burrus (born 1722, died c1789). Several published sources state that Thomas and Edmund were sons of Edmund Burrus, Sr., however, none of these sources provide any documentation. I am sending some pages on the Thomas Burrus family from the book: The Family of John Massie, 1743-c1830 Revolutionary Patriot of Louisa County, Virginia, by Mavis P. Kelsey, M.D., 1979, 241 pp (copies available from author, #2 Longbow Lane, Houston, Texas

77024, softbound \$35 and hardbound \$40). You probably already know about the following two articles on Thomas Burrus and his family that appeared in the Kentucky Register: "Thomas Burns, Ancestor of Kentucky Pioneers", vol. 27 (1927), pp.183-190; and "Will of Frances Burrus", Vol. 47 (1949), pp.149-150. I was mistaken when I told you I had seen a book on the Tandy family, what I had found and copied from was an article on the Tandy family that was published in the Kentucky Register, Vol. 28, p.155-174.,

At our meeting we discussed the Jackson family and you mentioned your family's connection to President Andrew Jackson. I am working on a book on the Mason family which ties into the Jackson family of Ohio County, Ky. Several pre 1900 sources on this Jackson family state that they were related to Pres. Jackson. In the History of Daviess County, Kentucky, c.1883, is a biography of Christopher D. Jackson (1797-1884), see copy enclosed. In this biography it was stated that the "father of subject of our sketch, was a second cousin of old Hickory Jackson, President of the United States". Was this just a bogus claim or could it be true. The ancestry of Christopher D. Jackson of this biography has been proven back to his great-grandfather. Christopher Dominick Jackson, whose will was probated 31 October 1749 in Westmoreland County, Va. Sources on President Jackson state that his grandfather, Hugh Jackson, died about 1783 in Ireland. If the statement in the biography was taken literally it would indicate that Christopher Dominick Jackson (died 1749) and Hugh Jackson (died c1783) were brothers, and a diagram of the relationship (if true) would have to look like the following:

#### Brothers

Christopher Dominick Jackson  
will prop. 31 Oct. 1749  
Westmoreland County, Va.,  
wife, Magdalena (Damourvell) Rust

Hugh Jackson  
died c. 1783 Ireland

#### First cousins

Christopher M. Jackson  
b. c1740 Westmoreland Co., Va.  
md. Magdalene Boggus c1765,  
d. 1804 Ohio County, Ky.  
Revolutionary War soldier

Andrew Jackson.  
md. Elizabeth Hutchinson in  
Ireland c1760, came from  
Ireland to U.S. in 1765,  
d. 1767 Waxham, South Carolina

#### Second cousins

Christopher Jackson,  
b. 1768 Prince Willis Co. Va.  
md. Catherine Rhoads 1790,  
d. 1831 Pike County, Mo.

Andrew Jackson  
b. 1767 Waxham, South Carolina  
md. Rachel Donelson Robards  
1791, 1829-1837 seventh President of US  
d. 1845 Hermitage (Tenn.)

Christopher D. Jackson  
1797-1884, of Daviess Co. Ky.



Have you ever seen any research on President Jackson's grandfather, Hugh Jackson? You mentioned -someone at the Hermitage who I might write, could you send the name and address? Any other help and suggestions would be appreciated.

If you ever need any research in the Daviess-Ohio-Hancock County area please feel free to ask. Thanks again for the ancestor chart. Would enjoy hearing from you.

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3 January 1995

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Dear Mr. Brattin:

With interest I read your query on the McClarty family in a recent issue of the periodical, Kentucky Ancestors (Vol.30, No.1, 1994). I have done some research on the family of John McClarty, Jr. & Jane M. Allen. Though not a descendant, Jane M. Allen McClarty (c1804-1847) is a first cousin of my 3rd great-grandfather, William Pate. In working towards a possible book on the descendants of her grandparents, Samuel Crawford & Jane Mason, I have also tried to fill in data on some of the descendants of John McClarty, Jr.

Are you a descendant of John McClarty, Jr. (c1793-1860/63) & Jane M. Allen? Who was the wife of John McClarty, Sr., who died in Nelson County, Kentucky in 1808? Was John, Sr. the son of Archibald McClarty & Rachel Dougherty of Mifflin County, PA? Would you be interested in comparing notes on the family of John McClarty, Jr. & Jane M. Allen? I would enjoy hearing from you.

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7 January 1995

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Dear Mr. Long,

I received your letter today regarding my query about the McClarty surname. Thank you very much.

I have done some additional research on McClarty and other surnames in hopes of being able to expand on some of my "direct ...line" ancestors .... especially McClarty and Huston.

First of all, I have a couple of questions regarding some of the info in your letter...

1. You refer to John McClarty Jr. and John McClarty Sr. I have always thought that the John McClarty who married Jane Allen was one of the sons of John McClarty who died in Nelson Co. KY - but have seen no "proof" that he was one and the same person... I am assuming that you are referring to father, and son?? If so, do you know this for a "fact" ??
2. I notice that you refer to Archibald McClarty and Rachel Dougherty (of Mifflin Co., PA). While I didn't mention these names in my letter of query, they are the ones that I hope to eventually connect up with. What is/was your ref source for these names??

Here is a short outline of what I know and what I am looking for (mostly from memory) -

My 4G/gf, William Huston, married about 1776, PA to Nancy "Ann"/"Agness" McClarty. William, Nancy, and family moved from Mifflin Co., PA to Nelson Co., KY in early/mid 1790's. William Huston died 1808, Nelson Co., KY and Nancy (McClarty) Huston died 1836, Rails Co., MO.

According to Huston family history, William Huston had a sister, Nancy Huston, who married a John McClarty in PA and they also moved to Nelson Co., KY about the same time.

Several articles by Mark Elliott Huston, son of Wm and Nancy (McClarty) Huston, state that his mother was a daughter, of Archibald McClarty and Rachel Dougherty.

Later data shows an Archibald McClarty in Cumberland / Mifflin Co., PA until about 1785 but then ... no further info.

Later data also shows that there is a John McClarty and Samuel McClarty in Mifflin Co., PA... both moved to Nelson Co., KY about the same time as my Wm Huston, John's will verifies that they are brothers and that their sister is Agness Huston - my "direct-line" ancestor, wife of my Wm Huston,

This John McClarty (husband of Nancy Huston) died in 1808. We know the names of his children from his will

1. Rachel - mar.. 1st Samuel Brown, mar. 2nd William Hughes.
2. Margaret "Peggy" - mar.. John Smiley
3. Nancy "Ann"/"Agness" - mar., Wm Smiley Jr.
4. Jane - mar.. Benjamin Mayhall
5. Samuel (executor of father's will)
6. James Huston - d. 1808
7. Jabn - (under 21 yrs of age in 1812)

A John and Samuel McClarty begin appearing in Breckinridge Co., KY in 1820's .... I have assumed them to be the John and Samuel, sons of John and Nancy (Huston) McClarty.

Samuel McClarty begins to disappear from Breckinridge Co, KY shortly before 1850 ... we "suspect" he moved on to Rusk Co, TX.

I know that the John McClarty who married Jane Allen had at least 5 children:

1. Clinton - b. 14 Jul 1831, m. Lucinda B. Elliott
2. Cyrus - bc. 1838
3. Crawford - bc. 1843
4. Frances - bc. 1846
5. Margaret - m. Capt.. Robt Ligget Boyd

[another child who may be dau.. of John is - Jane G. - m.. Thomas W. Shedd ... but this could also very well be dau. of Samuel McClarty.]

I also know that the parents of Jane Allen were Joseph Allen and Margaret "Peggy" Crawford - dau.. of Sam'l Crawford. Jane had at least 4 bro/sisters: Alfred, Horace, Mary, & Ellen.

Joseph Allen's parents were James Allen & Mary Kelsey. Joseph had at least 4 bro/sisters Col.. John, James, Sallie, & Margaret ... [Margaret Allen married Joseph Huston - brother of my 4G/gf, William Huston.]

This is the "basics" of the McClarty data that I have and my connection. In answer to some of your questions ...

1. No I don't descend from John McClarty Jr. & Jane Allen .... my McClarty connection is William Huston & Nancy McClarty.
2. The wife of the John McClarty who died in 1808, Nelson Co., KY was Nancy Huston sister of my Wm Huston.
3. While I have no "direct proof" that the parents of the John McClarty in Nelson Co., KY were Archibald McClarty and Rachel Dougherty, it is a proven fact that this John had a brother named Samuel McClarty and a sister named Nancy/Agness/Ann (McClarty) Huston and based on Huston "family data", Nancy's parents were Archibald & Rachel.
4. I would definitely be interested in comparing notes on any McClarty data that you might have.

Have you ever run across an Anthony Crawford in your Crawford research?? I have an ancestor by that name who was born about 1780 VA or KY ... was in Warren Co., KY in early 1800 and moved to Lincoln Co., TN about 1809 ... we have 'theories' on name of father, brothers, & sisters but nothing definite.

Once again, thanks for answering my letter of query. Hopefully some of this data will be informative to you and if you are interested in more detailed data, let me know.

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Dear Mr. Brattin:

Thank you the information you sent on McClarty & Huston. The parentage of John McClarty (Jr.) as I previously had was by inference and I had no documents that proved he was the son of John McClarty, who left a will in Nelson County, KY in 1808.

I have the following on John McCarty, Jr. and his family. He was born about 1793 in Nelson County, KY, married Jane M. Allen, 1820-1824. He died between 1860-1863 - he is listed in the 1860 Breckinridge Co., KY census and on 17 April 1863 Robert L. Boyd was appointed guardian for Crawford & Frank McClarty [both listed with John in the 1850 Breckinridge Co. census], bond was by Alfred Allen, the latter record suggests that their father was then deceased. Jane M. Allen was born in Breckinridge Co., KY about 1804 to Joseph Allen & Margaret Crawford. She died on 4 February 1847 and was buried at the Hardinsburg Cemetery, Hardinsburg, KY. The 1830, 1840 & 1850 Breckinridge Co., KY censuses suggest that John McClarty & Jane Allen had 9 children, viz: male born 1820-25, male born 1825-30, female born 1825-30, male born 1830-35, male born 1835-40, female born 1835-40, and three others born 1840-50.

Eight of the children of John & Jane Allen McClarty are proven by various records [1850 Breckinridge Co. census; Breckinridge Co. guardian bonds; bios of Clinton McClarty & Robert L. Boyd, husband of Margaret McClarty; and articles appearing in the Owensboro, KY newspapers]. The ninth child is inferred [no. 1 below] - by the fact he is in the right place, at the right time, and because of his name. Their children are:

1. Joseph Allen McClarty - born 1820-24. An 1845 Breckinridge County, KY newspaper refers to someone of this name then being an attorney in Hardinsburg. An 1867 Owensboro, KY newspaper mentions an attorney there of this name. Both references list him as Jo Allen McClarty. I have never been able to locate him in any census.
2. Samuel McClarty - born 22 July 1825-28, married Mary Moreland 3 June 1857 Daviess Co., KY. He died 7 September 1889 at River Point, FL, but was returned to his former home Owensboro, KY & buried there in Elmwood Cemetery.
3. Margaret A. McClarty - born ca 1829. Married Robert L. Boyd 27 March 1849 Breckinridge Co., KY. Lived Owensboro & Louisville, KY, died after 1870.
4. Clinton McClarty - born 14 July 1831 Breckinridge Co., KY, married first Cecelia W. Conway 13 December 1855 Daviess Co., KY & second Lucinda B. Elliott 9 November 1858 Nelson Co., KY. Died in Louisville, KY during the 1890's.

5. Letitia N. McClarty - born in July 1836 Hardinsburg, KY, never married. Died Owensboro, KY on 18 January 1919 & buried there in Elmwood Cemetery.
6. Cyrus McClarty - born ca 1838. Married Lizzie in the late 1860's, 1870 lived Louisville, KY. The Owensboro, KY newspaper in 1887 mentions that several of his nieces & nephews of Owensboro were visiting their uncle Cyrus McClarty at McMinnville, TN.
7. Mary Ellen McClarty - born in November 1840 Breckinridge Co., KY, married Henry P. Hart 22 December 1864 Daviess Co., KY. She died in Owensboro, KY on 30 April 1919 and was buried there in Elmwood Cemetery.
8. Crawford McClarty - born ca 1843, in 1850 was living with father in Breckinridge Co., KY.
9. Francis H. (Frank) McClarty - born ca 1846; in 1850 & 1860 living with father in Breckinridge Co., KY.

Thanks again for your informative letter. If you should ever learn anymore on the family of John McClarty & Jane M. Allen I would greatly appreciate the information.

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Dear Mr. Long:

It was a pleasure to meet you when I was working in the library in Owensboro. You will find enclosed some family group sheets and a Descendants Chart that I hope will be of interest to you. Incidentally, when I was going through some of my material the other day, I encountered a reference to Early Settlers of Ohio County, Kentucky 1799 - 1840 Compiled by Jerry Long! So it seems that we have met before even if it was by means of the printed word.

I wish to make some comments about the enclosed material. First, Family Group Record-25. I am not sure of the order of birth of Richard, Henry, and Thomas Hart. However, this is the order in which they were listed in records of an Ohio County Court Case, No.1045, filed 1842. Also, there was an addition of 5 boys between the ages of 0 and 10 to the William Hart Family between the 1820 Census in Jefferson County and the 1830 Census of Ohio County. Also, Thomas is shown with the family of Frances Hart in Macoupin County, Illinois in the 1850 Census with an age of 23. Neither am I sure about the marriages of John K. Hart and Elizabeth A. Hart but marriage dates, death dates, etc. fit very nicely.

With reference to Taylor's book, Ohio County, Kentucky in the Olden Days, I have some question about the Marriage Records in Appendix F. I have looked at these records via LDS Microfilms and did not interpret any of the signatures as being Wm. Harlt but as Wm. Hartt, probably because I had run across the Hartt spelling before. Also, the appendix shows the earliest marriage performed by Hart was that of Rebecca Barnett and Philip Johnson on 18 Aug 1820. My records show Rebecca Bennett and Philip Johnston on 16 Aug 1821. The appendix shows the last marriage he performed was 7 Dec 1838 and my record shows the last as 18 Dec 1836. Again, this may be because of the arranging in chronological order by Miss Barnett and my thinking in terms of the husband of Elizabeth Hart, James Bennett.

Finally, the correspondents of the Rev. Hayden, in providing information to him for Virginia Genealogies must have relied on their memories and not on records. For example, on page 528 it shows that Margaret Peyton and husband Samuel Swearingen went from Va. to Tenn., thence to Texas. However, Margaret and Samuel Swearingen brought suit against Mary Peyton and other heirs of William Peyton, in Ohio Co. in connection with the distribution of assets of the estate of William Peyton in Bullitt County. (File 493- Filed 1825) This suit was settled out of court by Mary Peyton paying the claimant \$300 and the other defendants paid their own court costs. The referenced book (Page 528) shows that a daughter of Valentine Peyton was Cornelia Robinson. She was, in fact, Cornelia Robertson. It also shows that the daughter of William Hart and Susan Peyton was Betty Peyton when according to her tombstone, she was Mary P. (Presumably Peyton). On page 553, it shows that the Hon. Balie Peyton was born in Sumner Co., Tenn. and died in Gallatin in 1878. Since William Peyton Hart married Elizabeth Peyton in Gallatin in 1848, I'm wondering about the connection since William Warren Sweet indicates that William Hart was accepted on trial in 1811 from the Red River Circuit of the Cumberland District. Please keep in touch

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[Note by Jerry Long : Henry Peyton Hart (1824-1873) was the son of Rev. Henry Hart & Susan Peyton; he married Mary Ellen McClarty (1840-1919), 22 December 1864 Daviess County, KY, she was the daughter of John McClarty & Jane M. Allen and granddaughter of Joseph Allen & Margaret Crawford.]