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# Person Info

Name: LABAN STURGIS <sup>1</sup> Sex: M Birth: 1751 Death: 1790 Burial: Rock Hill, York, South Carolina. Person Id: I2474 Tree Id: 244346

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## Parents

Father: **DANIEL STURGIS:** Birth: 1731 in Somerset or Worcester County, Maryland, USA. Death: 4 MAY 1788 in York County, South Carolina, United States

Mother: JANE BRATTON: Birth: 1727 in Worcester County, Maryland USA. Death: 1800

## Sources

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Dear Madam:

The family tradition as told me by Aunt Tirzah was that **SHADRACH STURGIS**, your great grandfather's great grandfather, left Wales near the northeastern part, and came to Maryland under the Baltimores. He settled in Westchester County and still has many descendants there and on the East Shore. The family church was Episcopalian until his great grandchildren in SC joined other churches.

DANIEL STURGIS, SHADRACH'S grandson, married JEAN BRATTON, whose brother founded Brattonville, York Co., SC. DANIEL and JEAN BRATTON STURGIS had six children, and after living in Maryland and Delaware until their children were all born, they moved into SC following her kinfolks and settled on the west side of the Catawba River about ten miles east of Rock Hill. They had five sons and one daughter, MARY STURGIS WILSON. The sons' names were LABAN, JAMES ARMSTRONG, JOSHUA, JOHN, and DANIEL.

Great Grandfather died in 1787 and was the first grave in the OLD **STURGIS** graveyard on the Catawba. By his side lies **LABAN**, AGE 39, some grandchildren, **MARY WILSON**, **JAMES ARMSTRONG**, and at the other end of the row, the great grandmother **JEAN BRATTON STURGIS** in 1800. Please visit this old graveyard and take some pictures.

The daughter, **MARY**, married **THOMAS WILSON** who had a mill at Old Nations ford on the Catawba. She left two sons, **THOMAS WILSON** of Quincy, FL, and **WILLIAM WILSON**, Evansville, IN. Both alive when we left SC. **LABAN**, a man of fine character and college education, died unmarried.

**JAMES ARMSTRONG STURGIS** married a woman named **ESTER**, much against the wishes of his parents. I've forgotten her surname, but shew as a cousin of **NANCY HANKS** and was noted in the **STURGIS** family for her goodness and thrift.

Great uncle JAMES A. STURGIS left three children, JENNIE, who married WILLIAM DODD and settled in Coweta Co., GA., and GEORGE, whose descendants live in the Ebenezer neighborhood near Rock Hill. ZADOC, the other son, married a Miss LANIER or DUMAS. His great grandsons live east of Rock Hill. Some of ZADOC's children's children could show you the old family graveyard.

**JOHN STURGIS** married a widow, **ANNE SCHOOLEY**, and moved after his mother's death to the Northwest territory. He is said to have left sixteen sons and there are many of the **STURGIS** name in Ohio and Indiana.

**DANIEL STURGIS**, the youngest son, married a Miss **FANNIE THOMPSON** and left several daughters and one son, **WILLIAM STURGIS**, who died in Arkansas without a son to bear the name. My grandfather, **JOSHUA STURGIS**, was twice married. His first wife was **MARY MCMURRAY** by whom he had five children. **DANIEL** died in Drew Co., AR, left sons.

SAMUEL (4th) died near Memphis, TN, left sons.
JOSHUA, (3rd) died unmarried at SAMUEL STURGIS' house.
NANCY (2nd) NEELY died in East Felicana Parish, LA, and
ABIGAIL FAIRBANKS (5TH) died in East Felicana Parish, LA.

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Grandfather married JANE NEELY in 1801 by whom he had seven children.

- (1st) CYNTHIS married CESSE LYNN, died near Memphis, TN.
- (2nd) MARY (AUNT POLLY) died unmarried, buried at Neely's Creek.
- (3rd) Uncle MATTHEW NEELY STURGIS married JOANNA HINKLE, died in Chester Co., SC., no children.
- (4th) TIRZAH ELIZABETH (Aunt TIRZAH) unmarried, buried at Neely's Creek.
- (5th) **JANE** (Aunt **JINCY**) married **JAMES MCCANTS**, no children. buried at Neely's creek.
- (6th) Your grandfather, WILLIAM, had another name which I have forgotten.
- (7th) My father, THOMAS WHITE STURGIS, married MARGARET SHILLING LAW, died Crockett, TX 33 years ago, leaving thirteen children, three and perhaps four of whom have since died.
  - MARY JANE BENNETT: 6 sons, 1 dau., Crockett, TX
     HELEN ELIZABETH YOUNG: 1 son, 3 daus., Crockett, TX
     MARGARET MATILDA, buried Neely's Creek, 1864
     FRANK STURGIS, 6 sons, 1 dau., Columbus, AR
     CYNTHIS CREIGHTON, 5 sons, 3 daus., buried Rock Hill, SC
     ANNIE GILES, 1 son, 3 daus., Atlanta, GA
     KATE STURGIS, unmarried, Crockett, TX
     JOHN STURGIS, children unknown, OK
     HATTIE STURGIS, Reserve, NM
     IDA IRBY, 3 sons, 1 dau., buried Tirzah, SC
     BILLIE, fate unknown, bachelor
     NETTE AMSTALL, 2 daus., Harold, TX
  - 13. JOE STURGIS, 1 son, no daughters, Trinity, TX.

You must pardon my lengthy effort for the subject wells from the heart. I will send my address as soon as I file on my new homestead, and won't you please tell me all about Uncle Bill's three daughters and their children.

Very sincerely yours,

### (signed) **HATTIE STURGIS**

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Any descendants or persons connected to this family are invited to either post related information or contact me.

Thanks. <u>IBajb2@aol.com</u>

Notes

a. Note: LABAN, a man of fine character and college education, died unmarried.

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