

**THE KIDDS OF  
ALBEMARLE COUNTY, VIRGINIA,  
1744-1851**

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## INTRODUCTION

This document is a compendium or inventory of all historical records found to date that mention one or more individuals with the surname of Kidd in Albemarle County, Virginia from the time of its founding in 1744 through 1851.

We began the ambitious task of producing these documents for over twenty Virginia counties with several objectives:

1. To find virtually every existing record mentioning the surname of Kidd in these Virginia counties prior to 1850;
2. To analyze these records and ascertain (if possible) whether the individuals are descendants of the Thomas Kidd who arrived in the Virginia colony by 1646, and if so, their line of descent; and
3. To distinguish between proven, documented relationships and those which are widely shared and held to be accurate, but for which proof is minimal or non-existent.

## ALBEMARLE COUNTY and its records

Albemarle County was created on 6 May 1744 from Goochland and Louisa Counties. An additional portion of Louisa was added in 1761. Its county seat is Charlottesville. The county was named after Lt. General Wilhelm Anne van Keppel, second Earl of Albemarle, a British diplomat and American colonialist.

In its original form, Albemarle contained the southern two-thirds of present-day Albemarle County, as well as the entirety of the modern counties of Amherst, Buckingham, Nelson and Fluvanna, and parts of Appomattox, Campbell and Bedford Counties.

Louisa and Albemarle Counties each were part of Fredericksville Parish until 1760, when the parishes separated into Fredericksville Parish in Albemarle County and Trinity Parish in Louisa County. In 1761, a part of Louisa County was added to Albemarle County to form Albemarle's northwestern corner.

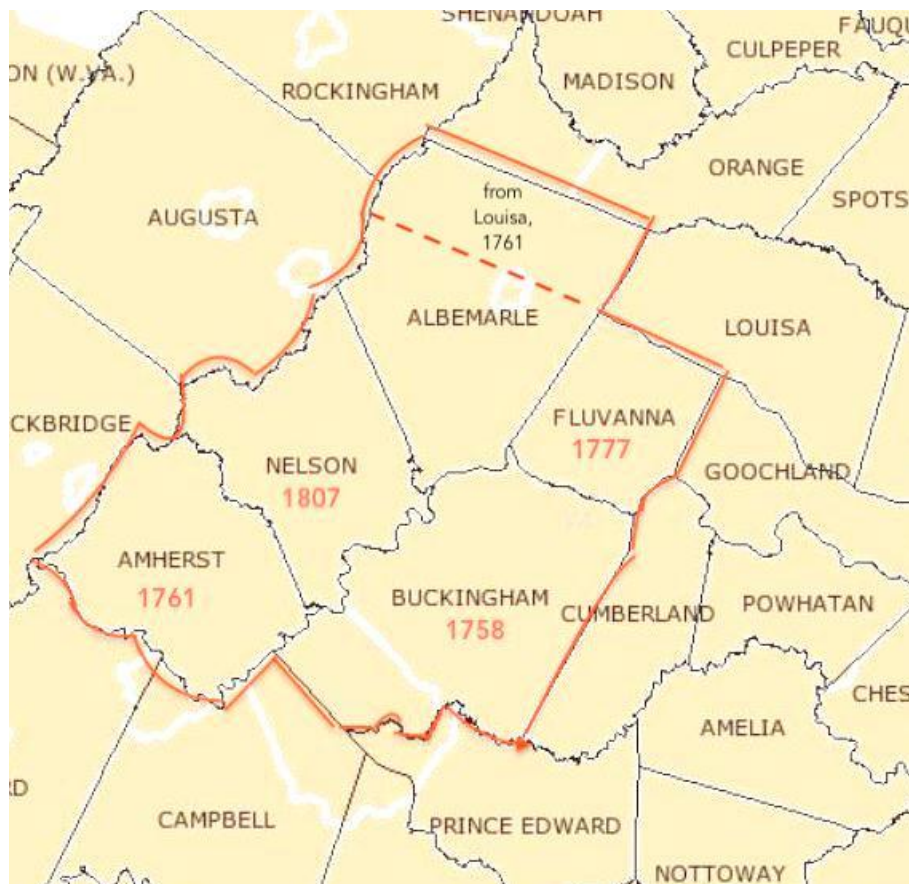
Every serious genealogist who researches Virginia records in the colonial era should be familiar with the website: <http://www.mapofus.org/virginia/>.<sup>1</sup> This interactive website nicely illustrates the boundaries of all Virginia Counties as they were created, and then evolved over time. The interactive map depicts how a parcel of land could be in Goochland County until 1744, then in Albemarle, and subsequently in a third county, all within one person's lifetime.

Researchers searching for the records of early Virginia residents must be aware of history of Virginia County formation.

The Figure on the following page shows the territory included in Albemarle County at its creation in 1744, and illustrates the changes over time, as Albemarle was subdivided into daughter counties, and in the case of Nelson County, a granddaughter county.

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<sup>1</sup> The wonderful interactive map on this website can be hard to find on their Home Page, which is very large. Scroll down carefully until you see the heading, "Interactive Map of Virginia County Formation History" prominently displayed in the middle of your screen, just above a digital ad. Scroll down a bit more, and you will see the interactive map, above a Table depicting the years that new Virginia counties were formed. Clicking on any Year in that Table will update the map.



**FIGURE:** Outline Map of central Virginia counties in 1820, showing Albemarle County at the time of its creation in 1744 (outlined here in red) from the western two-thirds of Goochland County. Its boundaries remained largely unchanged until 1758-1761, when Buckingham (1758) and Amherst (1761) were created. Also in 1761, the western part of Louisa County became part of Albemarle County (denoted in this figure by the dotted line). In 1777, the eastern portion of Albemarle County formed Fluvanna County. In 1807, Nelson County was formed from the northern half of Amherst County.

### MAJOR ALBEMARLE COUNTY RECORDS LOSSES

Unfortunately, few record types are available for Albemarle County in its first four decades. Albemarle County suffered the loss of all its early order books except the first one, and many loose papers covering years 1748 to 1781, when these were destroyed by British General Banastre Tarleton's raid on Charlottesville in 1781 during the Revolutionary War. The lost order books include nearly 40 years from 1748 up through 1785, and then again from 1785 to 1791. There is a gap in recorded deeds from 1752 to 1758.

Land and Probate records are available beginning in 1748. Marriage records begin in 1780, and Birth and Death records begin in 1853, but all are incomplete.

## EARLIEST KIDDS IN ALBEMARLE COUNTY

Our immigrant ancestor is Thomas Kidd, who was in the colony of Virginia by 1646. This Thomas Kidd settled in Middlesex County on the Dragon Run, near present-day Church View, Virginia. He and his wife Jane (maiden name unproven, despite claims to the contrary) had five children, only two of them sons who could carry on the surname of Kidd.

These sons were Thomas Kidd and William Kidd, whom we will refer to in this compilation as Thomas<sup>2</sup> Kidd and William<sup>2</sup> Kidd.<sup>2</sup>

When William<sup>2</sup> Kidd, William's wife Margaret, and Thomas<sup>2</sup> Kidd all died within months of each other in spring and summer 1727, their children, ranging in age from 6 to 35, became orphaned. This set in motion the eventual migration of most of William's children, who, being left landless in Middlesex, settled in central Virginia (around Albemarle County) by the 1750s and Amelia County by the 1760s.

Several descendants of Thomas Jr. also migrated in the years following his death, but went no further than the nearby counties of Essex, Caroline, and King & Queen.

**Many of the early Kidds in Albemarle County can be identified as descendants of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd and his wife Margaret of Middlesex County VA.** After the death of William and Margaret in 1727, six of their sons and one daughter migrated out of Middlesex County to settle in central Virginia. Five of these sons – Robert, Duel, John, Aaron, and James – and daughter Margaret, who married John Southern, all left records in Albemarle County.

Below is a brief sketch of these proven children of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd and his wife Margaret:

1. **Margaret<sup>3</sup> Kidd**, born in 1702, married **John Southern** in 1720 in Middlesex County. This couple was the first to appear in central Virginia records in 1743, and Margaret's brothers may have followed them to the area. Margaret and John Southern settled on Bear Garden Creek in Albemarle County, in the part that later became Buckingham County. Margaret Kidd and John Southern were the parents of at least three known sons: William, James, and Samuel (each of whom were deeded land by their father in 1755), as well as sons Joseph and Benjamin and daughters Susanna, Margaret, and Averilla.
2. **Robert<sup>3</sup> Kidd**, born in 1703, is not found in Albemarle County or elsewhere in Virginia records after 1747. He had land surveyed on the Hardware River, but apparently did not occupy the land. No documentation naming a wife or children has been found.
3. **Moses<sup>3</sup> Kidd**, born in 1707, is not found in Albemarle County records. He married **Dorothy** (maiden name unknown), and they had one known daughter Martha, born 1739 in Middlesex County. Moses Kidd apparently disappears from Virginia records after 1753, when he and his son (unnamed, but likely at least 14 and so born by 1738) are cited as survey chain carriers for landowner William Beverly in Beverly Park Manor in King and Queen County. While it is likely that Moses had other children, few clues have been found to determine their identities.
4. **John<sup>3</sup> Kidd**, born in 1708, married **Ruth Parish**/Farish, the daughter of Henry Parish of Goochland County, by 1749. Given John's age at the time of this marriage, he may have been married previously, but no documentation of a first wife has been found. John Kidd owned land on the Rivanna River near the land of his brother Aaron. John Kidd's 1785 Albemarle County will names three sons - William, John Norman, and James - and no daughters. These three sons and their descendants left records in Albemarle, Amherst, and Nelson Counties.

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<sup>2</sup> See the Tips section on page 7 for an explanation of the generational numbering system we use.

5. **Duel<sup>3</sup> Kidd**, born in 1711, died between Nov 1804 and Sept 1805, as recorded in Albemarle County's Overseers of the Poor records. Duel was a poor individual, at least near the end of his long life, who was supported by the parish and then by the county. There is no record of his ever owning land. His only known wife was the widow **Mary Sorrow**, whom he married in Middlesex County in 1736, with whom he had at least two children, James born 1737 and Margaret born 1739, both in Middlesex County. He had at least one additional known son Duel, who appears in his household named as "son Duel" on the Albemarle County personal property tax lists in 1792-1793. This son Duel Kidd had an unknown mother, by a younger second wife. It is possible that the elder Duel Kidd also may have been the father of three adult Kidd men who lived in the same area of Albemarle County: Charles Kidd, who died in 1856 (wife unknown). Joseph Kidd, who married Ann (Nancy) Johnson in 1795, and Pleasant Kidd, who married Sarah Farrell in 1802. Further study of the Kidd men who lived in proximity to Duel Kidd in Albemarle County may yield more clues about his descendants.
6. **Aaron<sup>3</sup> Kidd**, born in 1714, married **Susannah** (maiden name not known). Aaron Kidd patented land on Roundabout Creek of the Rivanna River, an area that became part of Fluvanna County in 1777. Aaron Kidd's will, written in 1775 and proven in 1776 in Albemarle County, names three sons William, Benjamin, and Samuel, and four daughters Mildred (married James Baltimore), Mary (married John Davis), Sarah (married Charles Clements), and Ann (married Thomas Elliott). Aaron and Susannah's sons Benjamin and Samuel lived in the area of Fluvanna County formed from Albemarle County; their son William moved to southwest Virginia after his father's death, settling in Tazewell County.
7. **James<sup>3</sup> Kidd**, born in 1716, married 1st **Eliza** (maiden name not known), who appears as his wife in a deed recorded in Caroline County in 1750, and who likely was the mother of his older children. James married 2<sup>nd</sup> **Mourning Parish**/Farish, the daughter of Henry Parish of Goochland County, by 1755; she was the mother of his younger children. James Kidd patented land on the north side of and adjoining the Slate River, in what is now Buckingham County. We have concluded that James Kidd, who likely died ca 1789/1790, was the patriarch of a large Buckingham County family: sons Moses, John, William, and Benjamin, and daughters Sarah (married James Boatwright), Dicey (married Richard Falwell), Susanna (married an unknown Quarles), Judith (married James Quarles), Martha (married Reuben Southern), and Nancy (married a Smith, possibly Platt Smith).

### SOME TIPS ON USING THIS DOCUMENT

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#### ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THIS WORK:

MSX = Middlesex County  
= Land Tax List(s)

PPTL(s) = Personal property tax list(s)  
SKK = Sandra K. Kidd, one of the authors

LTL(s)

Names in **RED FONT** have been added to the Family Tree that we are constructing on Ancestry.com, that includes all the DOCUMENTED descendants of Thomas<sup>1</sup> Kidd of Middlesex County, Virginia. This tree can be found at: <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/37652986/family>

*You may have to copy this URL and paste it into your browser to reach this tree. Once there, be sure to look in the Media Gallery of these individuals, to see what documents and other sources have been added.*

**EXPLANATION OF THE GENERATIONAL NUMBERING SYSTEM WE USE**

Before you get started, an explanation of the numbering system we have used in this document is in order: The number following an individual's name in this compilation indicates the number of generations relative to our common ancestor, Thomas1 Kidd. Thus, for example, "George4 (Benjamin3, William2, Thomas1)" is short-hand for "George Kidd, 4 generations down from Thomas the immigrant, and the son of Benjamin3, grandson of William2, etc."

Again, the numbers used in this system refer to the generation of each named individual, *relative to Thomas1 Kidd*, the patriarch of our Kidd family.

Our Kidd ancestors favored several names, and repeated them in each generation; William, James and John were used in nearly every generation, in multiple branches of a family. In order to separate these individuals with shared names but in the same location and generation, we have arbitrarily listed them as James5a, James5b, etc.

AND NOW, TO THE KIDDS OF ALBEMARLE COUNTY, VIRGINIA!

**AN ALPHABETICAL LISTING OF ALL  
ALBEMARLE COUNTY KIDDS, BY GIVEN NAME,  
THEN CHRONOLOGICAL APPEARANCE**

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This document is a compilation of all the records of individuals with the surname of Kidd found in Albemarle County, Virginia from 1744 to the 1850s. Within it, individuals appear in alphabetical order by their given name. Entries for each individual are arranged in chronological order, and where more than one person has the same given name, we've attempted to distinguish between them by other factors, such as varying amounts of land, slaves or other property, etc. When that is not possible, we've left the data elements under one name, while acknowledging that those facts may represent more than one person.

**PLACE NAMES: KID'S BRANCH, KID'S CREEK, KID'S MOUNTAIN**

A watercourse called **Kid's Branch** or **Kid's Creek** and a place called **Kid's Mountain**, near Buck Mountain Creek, are named in 1760s deeds in Albemarle, Louisa, and Orange Counties. This land was in the western part of Louisa County until 1761, when this part of Louisa County was added to Albemarle County. The description of the land in these deeds refers to the same location.

A 1760 deed in Louisa County's Fredericksville Parish from Robert Thompson to Mary Davis, for 100 acres, places the tract "on the bank of **Kid's branch**."<sup>3</sup>

In a 17 Jun 1760 deed in Louisa County, Robert Thomson and wife Jane sell to Thomas Lankford of Fredericksville Parish of Louisa County, 100 acres in Fredericksville Parish "on **Kid's branch**," bounded by the land of Lewis Davis and "**top of Kid's Mountain**."<sup>4</sup>

A 1764 Virginia land patent for 118 acres in Orange County for John Ogg names a tract "on the waters of **Kid's Creek**" adjoining Robert Thompson.<sup>5</sup>

In a 7 Sept 1769 Albemarle County deed, Robert Thompson leased to Thomas Lankford of Fredericksville Parish, 35 acres land "on **Kid's branch**" and "adjacent to John Ogg's corner."<sup>6</sup>

8 October 1811, Albemarle County Court: On the motion of Richard Bruce, it is ordered by the Court that the hands under Joshua Shiflett clear the road from **Kid Creek** to the Orange (county) line.<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>3</sup> Louisa County, Virginia Deed Book C, page 50, reviewed at LoV, 2019.

<sup>4</sup> *Louisa County Virginia Deed Books C, C 1/2, D, and D 1/2, 1759-1774*, by Rosalie Edith Davis, Manchester MO, 1977, p. 5. reviewed by Craig Kilby, 2007, he also cites p. 8 but there is no abstract. Also see Louisa County DB C, p. 29.

<sup>5</sup> Virginia Land Patents database, LoV.

<sup>6</sup> Albemarle County Deed Book 5, page 143, retrieved from FHL #30226, image 107 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

<sup>7</sup> *Albemarle County road orders, 1783-1816*, by Nathaniel Mason Pawlett, Virginia Highway & Transportation Research Council, Salt Lake City, Utah, 2015, page 193.



A **Kidd's Mill**, evidently operational in the 1770s and 1780s, was located on Plank Rd [State Rt 712] at North Garden,<sup>8</sup> in the southern part of Albemarle County that borders Nelson County.

**AARON KIDD**, son of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd and his wife Margaret (maiden name not known) of Middlesex County VA  
**Aaron<sup>3</sup> (William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**  
**Born 8 December 1713, Middlesex County VA; married Susannah (maiden name not known); died before March 1776 in Albemarle County VA**

1713 – Aaron Kidd was born in Middlesex County VA, where his birth and baptism were recorded in Christ Church Parish: "**Aaron**, son of Wm. and Margt. **Kidd**, born ye 8<sup>th</sup> of December 1713, baptized ye 24 January 1713/14." <sup>9</sup>

Aaron Kidd left Middlesex County sometime in the years following his parents' 1727 deaths, traveling in the same timeframe and direction as six of his siblings: Robert, John, James, Duel, Moses, and Margaret, who married John Southern. Records for Aaron have been found in Caroline (1747), Goochland (1749-1750), Albemarle (by 1763), and Fluvanna Counties, and are included here.

1747 – By 1747, Aaron Kidd is found in Caroline County records: At a Caroline County court held 15 Aug 1747: A petition of William Hunter, gentleman, against **Aaron Kidd** is dismissed.<sup>10</sup> His brothers Moses, Duel, and James also appear in Caroline County records.

1749 – **Aaron Kidd** is on the Goochland County tithables list of John Martin with 1 tithable, next to his brother John Kidd, also with 1 tithable. Also on this 1749 list is Henry Parish, the father-in-law of John Kidd.<sup>11</sup>

1750 – **Aaron Kidd** again appears on the Goochland County tithables list of John Martin. John Kidd does not appear in this year. No other records for Aaron Kidd have been found in Goochland County.

1763 – Aaron Kidd next is found in Albemarle County: On 30 Aug 1763, **Aaron Kidd** obtained a land patent for 10 shillings, for a tract in Albemarle County, containing 80 acres on the north side of the Rivanna River on the Roundabout Creek, bounded by Thomas Applebury's and Henry Martin's lines near the creek and running with Applebury's line to the north, then crossing the creek to William Melton's line, to Miles Cary's line, then rejoining Martin's line.<sup>12</sup> This land lies in present-day Fluvanna County, which was formed in 1777 from Albemarle County. Below is a map depicting the current-day location of Roundabout Creek, retrieved from Google Maps.<sup>13</sup>

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<sup>8</sup> *Virginia Minerals* (a periodical magazine published by the Division of Mineral Resources, Charlottesville, VA), vol. 49, issue 1-2, Feb/May 2006, pages 1-7. Copy in Albemarle County main folder on Dropbox.

<sup>9</sup> *Christ Church Parish Register*, p. 88.

<sup>10</sup> Caroline County Virginia Order Book, 1746-1754, p. 41.

<sup>11</sup> *Goochland County Tithes, 1735-1747 and 1748-1749*, by A. Jean Larvey, published by author, Springfield MO, 1979, p. 10.

<sup>12</sup> Aaron Kidd, grantee, Virginia Land Office Patents database, online at Library of Virginia, Land Office Patents No. 35, 1762-1764 (v.1 & 2 p.1-556), p. 434 (Reel 35). Scanned image in Albemarle County source documents folder.

<sup>13</sup> See <https://goo.gl/maps/d86Et8GK6zBa15yb9>.

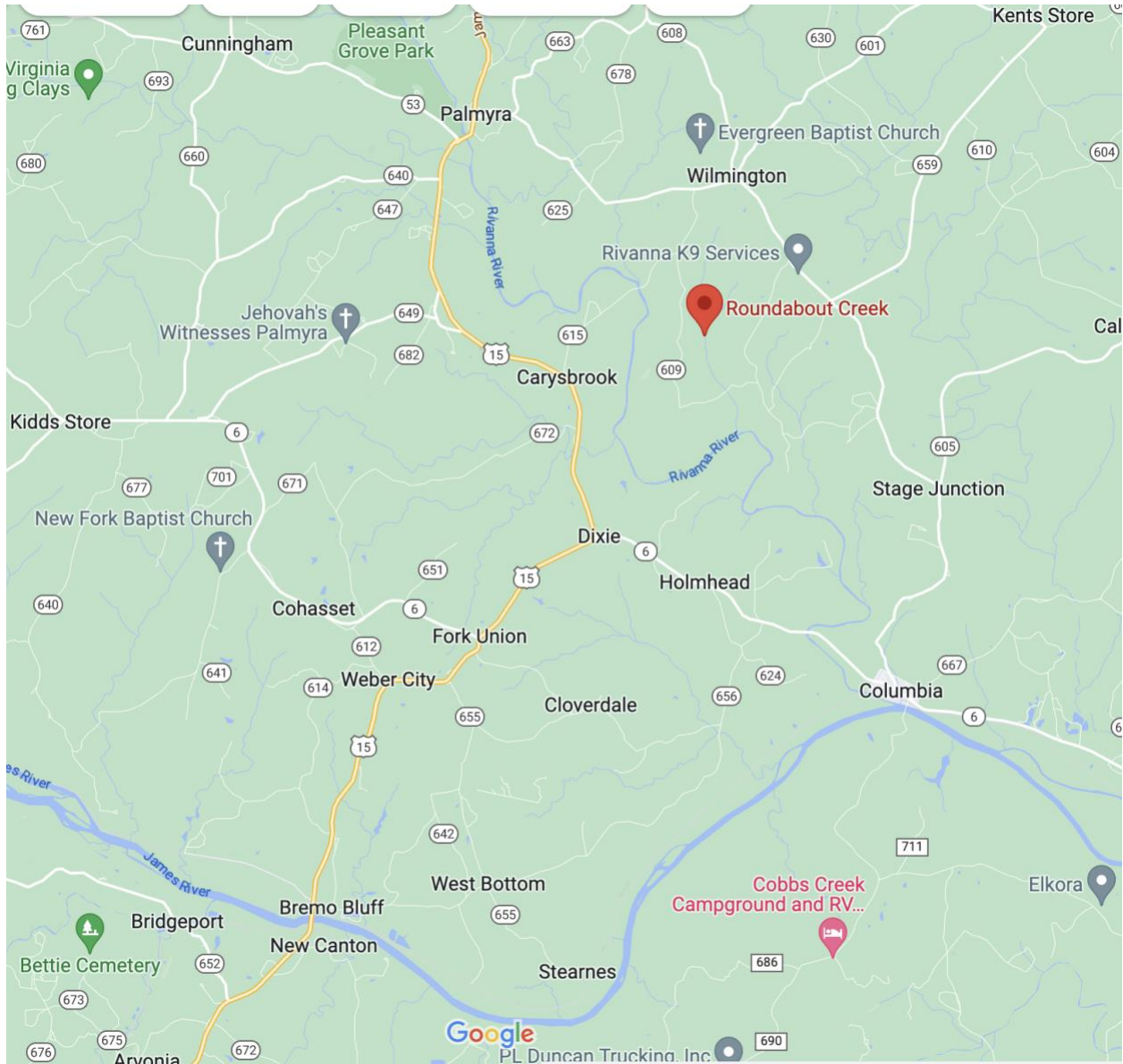


FIGURE: Current-day map depicting the location of Roundabout Creek (in the upper right quadrant, above), just east of the community of Carysbrook. It flows north to south, a small tributary of the Rivanna River.

1775 – The will<sup>14</sup> of **Aaron Kidd** was written 28 Aug 1775 and proven at Albemarle County March Court 1776, detailing bequests of “my worldly estate”:

To “my loving wife Susannah Kidd,” a life estate unless she marries, and if she does, her dowry according to law. “My desire is that all her children live with her, all that do not choose to go from her, to keep the estate together.”

To “my son William Kidd, all my land the other side of the North River [also known as the Rivanna River], where I formerly lived, to him and his heirs forever” [Note: This is Sandra

<sup>14</sup> Albemarle County, VA Will Book 2 (1752-1785), pp. 337-338, retrieved from Familysearch.org, FHL #30211, image 179 of 433. Scanned images of this will are available from the authors.

Kidd's ancestor, who migrated to Tazewell County in southwest Virginia after his father's death.]

"This tract of land whereon I live to be equally divided between two sons Benjamin and Samuel Kidd to them and their heirs forever. After my wife's decease, only Samuel Kidd to have the house and improvements."

To "my daughter Milly Baltimore one cow" [Note: Milly/Mildred married Christopher Baltimore.]

"All the rest of my personal estate to be equally divided between my three daughters Mary and Sarah and Annah Kidd" [Note: Mary/Polly married John Davis, Sarah/Sally married Charles Clements, and Ann married Thomas Elliott.]

"After my wife Susannah Kidd's decease," desire is that neighbor Richard Omohundro and son Benjamin Kidd stand as executors. Witnesses: Stephen Seay, Joseph Bolling, Richard Omohundro. **Aaron Kidd** signed by mark. Proven at Albemarle March Court 1776 by oath of witnesses and ordered to be recorded, John Nicholas, clerk.

Before 1777 – **Aron Kidd**, Benjamin Kidd, John Kidd, Lewis Kidd, Moses Kidd and Saml Kidd were among the signers of a petition to the Virginia General Assembly for the separation of Fluvanna County from Albemarle County. Lewis Kidd and Moses Kidd appear next to each other on the list of petitioners; on the same page, but listed separately from each other, are Benjamin Kidd, Saml. Kidd, John Kidd, and **Aron Kidd**. The petition language identifies the petitioners as resident in the southern part of Albemarle County, 20 to 35 miles from the courthouse, with poor mountainous roads, and two rivers and many rapid creeks to cross along the way.<sup>15</sup>

1777 – Fluvanna County was formed from Albemarle County on 5 May 1777.

A deed dated 13 Oct 1777 was filed in Fluvanna County: Bargain and Sale 13 Oct 1777: John Kidd and William Kidd of Fluvanna and **Aaron Kidd** of Albemarle to Elias Wills of Fluvanna. £For 30 current money of Virginia, 80 acres patented 30 Aug 1763, lying in Fluvanna beginning at William Martin line and Thomas Appleberry line near Roundabout Creek, running from Appleberry's line crossing the said creek to Elias Wills' line to Wilson Miles Cary's line to Benjamin Martin's corner. "With all the houses, orchards, plantation and C. thereto belonging."<sup>16</sup>

Sealed and delivered in the presences of Thomas Appleberry, William Barnett, Benjamin Martin. Signed John Kidd [seal], William Kidd [seal], **Aaron Kidd** [seal]

Fluvanna County 7 May 1778: "Proved to be the act and deed of William Kidd, John Kidd, and **Aaron Kidd**, and by the oath of Thomas Appleberry, Wm Martin, and Benj Martin witnesses these to and admitted to record. Teste: John Cobbs CC"

Note: This is the tract of land patented by Aaron Kidd in 1763 in Albemarle County and is the same tract of land that he bequeathed to his son William Kidd in his 1775 will.

However, Aaron Kidd was deceased by 1776, before this deed was filed in 1777, so why this deed bears his name is a mystery. By 1777, Aaron's son William Kidd was of legal age, with

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<sup>15</sup> Fluvanna County Historical Society Bulletin 1:6 (reviewed by RK at Jones Memorial Library, April 2013).

<sup>16</sup> Fluvanna County, VA DB 1, p. 87: John Kidd and William Kidd to Elias Wills.

children of his own. The witnesses were neighbors of Aaron Kidd and would have known he was deceased by 1777. Moreover, Aaron Kidd's name does not appear in the Fluvanna County Deed Book 1 Grantors Index; the index lists John Kidd and William Kidd, Grantors, to Elias Wills, Grantee.

This John Kidd is very likely Aaron's brother John, but why his name is on this deed is also unknown. One possibility, not proven, is that William Kidd had already left the area and John Kidd was serving as his proxy; William Kidd patented 200 acres in southwest Virginia on a branch of the Bluestone River in 1777.<sup>17</sup> He died intestate in Tazewell County VA by 1801.

Aaron's sons Benjamin, who died intestate in 1820, and Samuel, who died intestate in 1821, remained in Fluvanna County. The names of all six of Aaron and Susannah Kidd's children, and many of their grandchildren, are given in the Chancery court suit filed in October 1821 in Fluvanna County over Samuel Kidd's estate, titled Charles Clements and wife Sally [late Sally Kidd] *et al v. Polley Kidd et al.* Samuel left no direct heirs, and so his property was divided among his living sisters [both his brothers being dead], nieces, nephews, and even some great-nieces and great-nephews.<sup>18</sup>

Note: Susannah Kidd died before 1821, when her son Samuel's estate was probated. Her maiden name is not known, nor is the date or place of Aaron and Susannah's marriage, or the birth dates/places of any of their children.

**ANNA/ANN KIDD ELLIOTT – daughter of Aaron and Susannah Kidd of Albemarle County  
Married Thomas Elliott after 1775**

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<sup>17</sup> *Early Adventurers on the Western Waters*, vol. 2, by F.B. Kegley and Mary Kegley

<sup>18</sup> [https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=065-1823-002](https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=065-1823-002)

<sup>19</sup> Albemarle Co VA Will Book 2 (1752-1785), pp. 337-338, retrieved from Familysearch.org, FHL #30211, image 179 of 433. Scanned images of this will are available from the authors.

“All the rest of my personal estate to be equally divided between my three daughters Mary and Sarah and **Annah Kidd**” [Note: Mary/Polly married John Davis, Sarah/Sally married Charles Clements, and Ann married Thomas Elliott.]

“After my wife Susannah Kidd’s decease,” desire is that neighbor Richard Omohundro and son Benjamin Kidd stand as executors. Witnesses: Stephen Seay, Joseph Bolling, Richard Omohundro. Aaron Kidd signed by mark. Proven at Albemarle March Court 1776 by oath of witnesses and ordered to be recorded, John Nicholas, clerk.

Note: Ann was not married at the time her father’s will was written.

1823 – Anna/Ann was married to Thomas Elliott and was still alive in 1823, when the Fluvanna County, VA Chancery Court case regarding the estate of her brother Samuel Kidd was concluded: a full 1/6<sup>th</sup> share of his estate was set aside for Ann Elliott and her husband Thomas Elliott.<sup>20</sup>

We have not found any subsequent records for them in Albemarle or Fluvanna County VA.

**BENJAMIN KIDD, son of Aaron and Susannah Kidd of Albemarle County**

**Benjamin<sup>4</sup> (Aaron<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**

**Date or place of birth not known**

**Wife’s name not known**

**Died by 1820 in Fluvanna County, VA**

1775 – The will<sup>21</sup> of Aaron Kidd was written 28 Aug 1775 and proven at Albemarle County March court 1776, detailing bequests of “my worldly estate”:

To “my loving wife Susannah Kidd,” a life estate unless she marries, and if she does, her dowry according to law. “My desire is that all her children live with her, all that do not choose to go from her, to keep the estate together.”

To “my son William Kidd, all my land the other side of the North River [also known as the Rivanna River], where I formerly lived, to him and his heirs forever” [Note: This is Sandra Kidd’s ancestor, who migrated to Tazewell County in southwest Virginia after his father’s death.]

“This tract of land whereon I live to be equally divided between two sons **Benjamin** and Samuel **Kidd** to them and their heirs forever. After my wife’s decease, only Samuel Kidd to have the house and improvements.”

To “my daughter Milly Baltimore one cow” [Note: Milly/Mildred married Christopher Baltimore.]

“All the rest of my personal estate to be equally divided between my three daughters Mary and Sarah and Annah Kidd” [Note: Mary/Polly married John Davis, Sarah/Sally married Charles Clements, and Ann married Thomas Elliott.]

“After my wife Susannah Kidd’s decease,” desire is that neighbor Richard Omohundro and son **Benjamin Kidd** stand as executors. Witnesses: Stephen Seay, Joseph Bolling, Richard

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<sup>20</sup> Viewable online at [https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=065-1823-002](https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=065-1823-002)

<sup>21</sup> Albemarle County, VA Will Book 2 (1752-1785), pp. 337-338, retrieved from Familysearch.org, FHL #30211, image 179 of 433.

Omohundro. Aaron Kidd signed by mark. Proven at Albemarle March Court 1776 by oath of witnesses and ordered to be recorded, John Nicholas, clerk.

1776 – **Benjamin Kidd** was a witness to a deed in Albemarle County dated 4 January 1776 between Anne Cooper of Goochland County and Stephen Seay of Albemarle, in which Cooper sold to Seay a tract of land in Albemarle County containing 84 acres on Bremore [Bremo] Creek.<sup>22</sup> The other witnesses to this deed were Joseph Woolling and Richard Omohundro. By their oaths, the witnesses to this deed proved it in March Court 1776.

Before 1777 – Aron Kidd, **Benjamin Kidd**, John Kidd, Lewis Kidd, Moses Kidd and Saml Kidd were among the signers of a petition to the Virginia General Assembly for the separation of Fluvanna County from Albemarle County. Lewis Kidd and Moses Kidd appear next to each other on the list of petitioners; on the same page, but listed separately from each other, are **Benjamin Kidd**, Saml Kidd, John Kidd, and Aron Kidd. The petition language identifies the petitioners as resident in the southern part of Albemarle County, 20 to 35 miles from the courthouse, with poor mountainous roads, and two rivers and many rapid creeks to cross along the way.<sup>23</sup>

Note: The area where this family lived became part of Fluvanna County in 1777 when Fluvanna was formed from Albemarle County. **See Benjamin Kidd's section in our Fluvanna County compilation for all of his records.**

#### **BENJAMIN KIDD – IN ALBEMARLE COUNTY 1784-ca 1787**

**The following records are likely for a different Benjamin Kidd than Aaron Kidd's son Benjamin, who is found in Fluvanna County after it was formed from Albemarle County in 1777.**

1784 – A **Benjamin Kidd** appears on the Personal Property Tax List (PPTL) for Albemarle County this one year; he did not appear previously (1782 or 1783) and does not appear subsequently through 1851.

1785 – The following Kidds appeared on the Albemarle County “List of Inhabitants” of 1785:<sup>24</sup>

Owner's Name	No. White Souls	No. dwelling houses	Out Houses	Slave cabins	Mills	Image #
<b>Benjamin Kidd</b>	2	1	0	0	0	31
Jno. Norman Kidd	1	1	0	0	0	31
Wm Kidd	2	1	0	0	0	31
Duet (sic) Kidd	9	1	0	0	0	31
Moses Kidd	9	1	0	0	0	31

<sup>22</sup> Albemarle County DB 6, pp. 490-491, abstracted in the Sparacio book covering this date, p. 130.

<sup>23</sup> Fluvanna County Historical Society Bulletin 1:6 (reviewed by RK at Jones Memorial Library, April 2013).

<sup>24</sup> See FHL #1854091, List of Inhabitants, Albemarle County, 1785, image 31. Sometimes called “Heads of Families,” these lists were special supplementary enumerations mandated by the Virginia State Assembly, distinct from the annual County PPTLs and LTLs.

A **Benjamin Kidd** was a witness to the Albemarle County deed dated 28 May 1785 from John Wilkinson to William Hensley. This Benjamin signed with an X.<sup>25</sup>

1787 – A Chancery Court suit filed in 1801 in Albemarle County, titled John Burk vs John Melton, includes a debt of **Benjamin Kidd** for £18.8.6 to John Melton, with Burk serving as security for Benjamin's debt. The suit was initiated years later, concluding in 1807, but the exact date of this debt is left blank, though the suit suggests that Benjamin's debt dated to 1787.<sup>26</sup>

**BENJAMIN W. [WOOD] KIDD, son of John W. Kidd and his wife Margaret McClure  
Born August 1839 in Albemarle County, VA  
Married Alice B. Goodwin on 3 September 1865 in Albemarle County  
Died 8 October 1903 in Richmond, VA**

1850 – On the federal census in Albemarle County VA, p. 231A, HH 1086:  
Kidd, John W. 45MW blacksmith \$500 VA  
" , Margaret 46FW VA  
" , John 14MW VA attended school within the year  
" , Julia 12FW VA attended school within the year  
" , **Benjamin** 10MW VA attended school within the year  
McClure, Mildred 28FW VA

1860 – On the federal census in Albemarle County VA, St. Anne's Parish, Charlottesville P.O., p. 138, HH 1030/1021:  
**Kidd**, Margaret 58FW VA  
" , Judy [Julia] 22FW VA  
" , **Ben** 20MW laborer VA  
McClure, Mildred 50FW VA  
Kidd, John W. 56MW farmer \$3920/\$7450 VA

1865 – **Benjamin W.** Kidd married Alice B. Goodwin on 3 September 1865 in Albemarle County, VA.<sup>27</sup>

1866 – On 20 Sept 1866,<sup>28</sup> James Lobban, a wealthy landowner in Albemarle County,<sup>29</sup> sold to J. W. Kidd in his lifetime and to **B. W. Kidd** a certain tract of land in Albemarle County near Ivy Depot, adjoining the lands of Benjamin Wood and others called "Gillums", containing about 189 ½ acres. Lobban sold this land by contract, with five equal installments due annually on 20 September of 1867-1871.  
As will be seen below, this contract and the breach thereof resulted in a Chancery Court case in 1871.

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<sup>25</sup> From the R&S Sparacio book covering this period (failed to get pagination, but from DB 9 or 10.

<sup>26</sup> [https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=003-1807-016](https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=003-1807-016) Also reviewed at LoV's Manuscripts and Archives Dept, July 2018. A scan of this record is available in the Albemarle Source Documents folder on Dropbox.

<sup>27</sup> This date and place of marriage comes from his wife and widow's Confederate Pension application, which was approved on 14 August 1918, retrieved from Act of 1902, Alabama, Texas and Virginia Confederate Pensions, 1884-1958 on Ancestry.com.

<sup>28</sup> This deed does not appear in the Albemarle County General Index to Deeds; perhaps this is because Lobban retained ownership, waiting until the final payment had been made, and with John W. Kidd's death within the first year of the contract, the payments ceased, and the deed was never filed.

<sup>29</sup> The General Index of Deeds for Albemarle County, VA contains dozens of deeds in his name.

1867 – On 17 December 1867, Margaret Kidd, the widow of John W. Kidd, and their three children executed a deed in Albemarle County that is complicated, but contains valuable information about the family. Below is a transcription of this deed:<sup>30</sup>

Whereas, on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August 1858, **John W. Kidd** and Margaret his wife conveyed by deed to John S. Woodson and William A. Woodson, all their interest in certain real estate, situated in Woodville, in the county of Albemarle, in consideration of the sum of \$800, but the said deed was never admitted to record, and whereas the said **John W. Kidd** has died intestate, leaving his widow Mrs. Margaret Kidd and his children **Benjamin W. Kidd, Julia Kidd, and John M. Kidd**, his heirs at law, and whereas the sum of \$258, the balance of the purchase money for the said real estate has been paid by John S. Woodson to the heirs of the said John W. Kidd, deceased, and whereas the said John S. Woodson (with the consent of the said William A. Woodson) has sold the said real estate to Charles H. Price and Thomas W. Wood: Now this deed, made this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 1867, between Margaret Kidd, **Benjamin W. Kidd**, Julia Kidd, John M. Kidd, John S. Woodson, and Sally C. his wife, and William A. Woodson and Sally his wife ...in consideration of the sum of \$1258 (paid to the said John S. Woodson, the said Margaret Kidd, **Benjamin W. Kidd and Alice B. his wife**, Julia Kidd, John M. Kidd, John S. Woodson and Sally C. his wife, and William A. Woodson and Sally A. his wife, do grant unto the said Charles H. Price and Thomas M. Wood ...that certain real estate, lying in the county of Albemarle at Ivy Depot (formerly known as Woodville), it being the same real estate bought by John W. Kidd in his lifetime of Gabriel S. Harper and Sarah T. his wife.

This deed was signed by all parties. It was admitted to record in Albemarle County on 11 February 1871.

1870 – We’ve not been able to find Benjamin W. Kidd on the 1870 federal census.

His wife and children are found on the federal census in Samuel Miller township, Albemarle County, VA, Mechums River P.O., misindexed on Ancestry.com as “Red”, page 484, HH 604/608:

**Kid**, Margaret 68FW keeping house VA  
 “ , Alice 30FW at home VA [wife of Benjamin W. Kidd]  
 “ , Emmet L. 3MW VA [Benjamin and Alice’s son]  
 “ , Jno. W. 1MW VA  
 “ , Julia 30FW at home VA

1880 – On the federal census in Charlottesville, Albemarle County, VA, E.D. 11, page 261A, HH 26/25:

**Kidd, B. W.** WM 40M railroad hand VA VA VA can read and write  
 “ , A. B. WF 38M wife Keeps house VA VA VA  
 “ , E. L. WM 12S son attended school within the year VA VA VA  
 “ , J. W. WM 11S son attended school within the year VA VA VA  
 “ , M. J. WF 9S dau attended school within the year VA VA VA  
 “ , H. M. WF 7S dau attended school within the year VA VA VA  
 “ , B. W. Jr. WM 5S son VA VA VA  
 “ , Mary WF 3S dau VA VA VA  
 “ , Julia WF 11/12 dau VA VA VA (b. July)

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<sup>30</sup> Albemarle County, VA Deed Book 66, pages 28-30, retrieved from FHL #1889080, images 387-388 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).



1900 – On the federal census in Richmond City, Henrico County, VA, E.D. 106, page 224A, family 424:

**Kidd, Benjamin** head WM Aug 1839 60 married VA VA VA Carpenter  
 “ , Alice B. wife WF April 1841 59 married 8 children/7 living VA VA VA  
 “ , John W. son WM Jan 1873 27 single VA VA VA Railroad laborer  
 Wright, Esther dau May 1876 24 married no children VA VA VA  
 “ , Martin J. son-in-law WM Jan 1867 33M VA VA VA blacksmith  
 Kidd, Clara dau WF March 1880 20 single VA VA VA saleslady, drygoods  
 “ , Julia A. dau WF JN 1882 (sic) 18 single VA VA VA saleslady, drygoods

1903 – Benjamin Wood Kidd died on 5 October 1903 in Richmond, VA.<sup>31</sup>

**CHARLES KIDD**

**Parents not known; name of wife unknown**  
**Born ca 1771/1781, lived in St. Anne’s Parish in Albemarle County**  
**Died in June 1856 in Albemarle County**

It is possible that this Charles Kidd was the son of Duel Kidd, who also lived in the southeastern part of Albemarle County, close to the James River and the present-day Nelson County line. He may have been the brother of Joseph Kidd (b 1764/1770 – d ca 1842), who married Ann (Nancy) Johnson in 1795 in Albemarle County, and Pleasant Kidd (b 1766/1780 - d by 1825), who married Sarah Farrell in 1802 in Albemarle County. While this theory needs additional research, the record of Charles Kidd’s death states he died near Dyer’s old store. Duel Kidd also was associated with Samuel Dyer. And all these men had limited assets and apparently were illiterate.

1807-1845 – A Charles Kidd appears almost annually on the Albemarle County PPTLs during these years (see Table below).

No Charles is found for the years 1811-1813, nor for the years 1821-1826. In the year of 1839 only, two Charles Kidds are listed, one identified as Charles Kidd Jr. to distinguish him from the presumably older Charles Kidd.

Year	Name	Tithes				
1807A	Charles	No tithe listed, 1 horse, tax .12				
1808	No tax statewide					
1809A	Charles Kid	1 tithe, 1 horse, tax not listed				
1810A	Charles	1 tithe, 1 horse, tax .12				
	No Charles listed 1811-1813					
1814	Charles	1 tithe, 1 horse	other list			
1815	Charles	1 tithe, 1 horse	1st part, Edward Garland list			
1816	Charles	1 tithe, 1 horse	Edward Garland list			

<sup>31</sup> This date and place of his death comes from his wife and widow’s Confederate Pension application, which was approved on 14 August 1918, retrieved from Act of 1902, Alabama, Texas and Virginia Confederate Pensions, 1884-1958 on Ancestry.com.

Year	Name	Tithes				
1817	Charles Kid	1 tithe, 1 horse		Fleming Garland list		
1819	Charles Kid	1 tithe		1st list		
1820	Charles	1 tithe				
	No Charles listed 1821-1826					
1827B	Charles	1 tithe				
1830B	Charles	1 tithe			Geo M. Woods list	
1831B	Charles	1 tithe				
1832B	Charles	1 tithe				
1833B	Charles	1 tithe				
1834B	Charles	1 tithe				
1835B	Charles	1 tithe				
1836B	Charles	1 tithe				
1837B	Charles	1 tithe				
1838B	Charles	1 tithe				
1839B	Charles	1 tithe				
1839B	Charles Kidd Jr.	1 tithe, 1 horse				
1840B	Charles	1 tithe				
1841B	Charles	1 tithe			St. Ann's Parish	
1842B	Charles	1 tithe			Geo M. Woods list	
1843B	Charles	1 tithe			Geo M. Woods list	
1844B	Charles	1 tithe				
1845B	Charles	1 tithe				Geo M. Woods list

1830 – A Charles Kidd appears on the federal census in Albemarle County (the only other Kidd household listed in this year was that of Tandy Kidd):

**Charles Kidd** – 1 WM 50-59 & 1WF 60-69. No slaves.

1840 – A Charles Kidd appears on the federal census in Albemarle County.

**Charles Kidd** – 1WM & 1 WF, both 70-79. No slaves. Both unable to read or write.

1845 – **Charles Kidd** does not appear after 1845 on the PPTLs, possibly because he was exempt from tax due to his age, and is not found on the Albemarle County census for 1850.

1856 – A **Charles Kidd** died in Albemarle County in June 1856 “near Dyer’s Old Store.”<sup>32</sup> The cause of death was “old age.” This record states that he was born in Albemarle County, and that he was 75 years of age at the time of his death, and was single [although he may have been older than 75, given his age range on the 1830 and 1840 censuses and he may have been widowed]. The informant was R. Lacey, a neighbor. The spaces for the names of

<sup>32</sup> Albemarle County Death Registers, 1853-1896, retrieved from FHL #2048503, image 360 (register page 81) via familysearch.org (restricted access, but available at affiliated libraries). Scanned image available upon request.

Charles Kidd's parents were left blank. Note: Dyer's Store was located near present-day Keene in Albemarle County.

**CHARLES KIDD JR., in Albemarle County in 1839**

1839 – On the 1839 Albemarle County PPTL, two Charles Kidds are listed, one identified as Charles Kidd Jr. to distinguish him from the presumably older Charles Kidd. This Charles Kidd Jr. was taxed for 1 white tithe and 1 horse. Because Charles Kidd of Nelson County was on the Nelson County tax list in 1839, this Charles Kidd Jr. appears to be a different man.

We found no other mentions of this man in Albemarle County or elsewhere in Virginia.

**CHARLES H.<sup>33</sup> KIDD, the son of Joseph Kidd and Nancy (Ann) Johnson of Albemarle and Nelson Counties<sup>34</sup>**

**Born abt 1815, likely in Albemarle County**

**Married Malinda Kidd, the daughter of Hudson P. Kidd and Lucy Wright, in 1835 in Albemarle County**

**Died after 1886, likely in Nelson County**

1835 – On 21 Dec 1835, **Charles Kidd** married Malinda Kidd in Albemarle County.<sup>35</sup>

A “Jno. Kidd” attested as to the age of Malinda Kidd for this marriage bond.

Both John Kidd and Charles Kidd signed this bond with an X.

The journal of Lorena Kidd Goodwin (1865-1950, the daughter of Edmund Tucker Kidd and Elizabeth Kidd Craig, includes a reference to **Charles Kidd**: (p 43): “My grandfather James Craig and grandmother Elizabeth Kidd Craig moved up from Goochland County below Richmond to near Lovingsston, Nelson County, VA. With him came 2 of grandmother's brothers - Uncle Charles and Uncle Wilson Kidd. Uncle Charles married Malinda Kidd. They had a large family - both sons and daughters.”

**See our Nelson County compilation for all the records we have found for Charles and Malinda Kidd.**

**CHARLOTTE KIDD HOUCHENS, daughter of Sarah Kidd and wife of John R. Houchens**

1839 – An Albemarle County Marriage Bond was issued for **Charlotte Kidd** and John R. Houchens dated 25 November 1839. The minister was John S. Abell and the marriage date 2

December 1839.<sup>36</sup> Bondsman was John W. Kidd and witness John T. Ford. Sarah Kidd, the mother of Charlotte, gives her consent, which indicates Charlotte was not of age. Witnesses were John W. Kidd and Elizabeth Kidd.<sup>37</sup>

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<sup>33</sup> The only record that lists his middle initial, ‘H’, is the 1886 death record for his wife, Malinda.

<sup>34</sup> See Appendix 6 of our Nelson County compilation for an analysis of the probable children of Joseph Kidd Sr. and his wife, Nancy/Ann Johnson.

<sup>35</sup> *Virginia Marriages, 1740-1850*, on Ancestry.com. Images of this marriage bond can be found in the Albemarle County Shared Folder > Nelson Marriages subfolder; captured from FHL #1889164, Marriage bonds, 1834-1836, image 131, retrieved from familysearch.org on 22 November 2017 by RK.

<sup>36</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt, p. 532, citing Albemarle Marriage Register, 1808-1868.

<sup>37</sup> *Ibid*, citing “B/C papers, 1837-1842.”

1850 – I've not been able to find her or her husband in the 1850 federal census.

1853 – Charlotte appears to have died in late 1853, because her husband John R. Houchens married Sarah/Sallie Black on 12 January 1854. Five children were born between the time of Charlotte's marriage to Houchens and the date of his second marriage. The youngest of these children was James Robert Houchens, born 1 October 1853 in Albemarle County. His death certificate dated 17 November 1926 lists **Charlotte Kidd** as his mother.<sup>38</sup>

No death record has been found for Charlotte in Albemarle County.

**COLEMAN W. KIDD**, the son of James Kidd and Lucy Jopling  
**Coleman W. (James<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3a</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**  
**Born abt 1795, likely in Albemarle County**  
**Married S. Loving [first name unknown] in 1817 in Nelson County**  
**Died 28 Oct 1880 in Lynchburg, Campbell Co, VA**

1817 – **Coleman W. Kidd** married S. Loving on 22 December 1817 in Nelson County, VA.<sup>39</sup>

1820 – He appears on the federal census in Buckingham (township), Nelson County, VA:  
**Coleman W. Kidd** – 3 WM 16-25; 1F 16-25. One in Ag. & 3 in Mfg. No slaves.

1830 – He appears again on the federal census in Nelson County, VA:  
**Coleman W. Kidd** – 1M 10-14 & 1 30-39; 1F 30-39. Two slaves.

1832 – **Coleman W. Kidd** was appointed postmaster of the post office in Mt. Alto in **Albemarle County** on 8 May 1832. Mt. Alto lies close to the Nelson County line.<sup>40</sup>

1834-1837 – **Coleman W. Kidd** appears these 4 years in the **Albemarle County** PPTLs. In each year, he's taxed for just one WMT, on one or more slaves and 1-2 horses. He drops from the lists in 1838 and does not reappear in Albemarle County.

1840 – He appears on the federal census in Nelson County, VA:  
**Coleman W. Kidd** – 1M 30-39 & 1 40-49; 1F 40-49. Two in commerce. No slaves.

1850 – He appears on the federal census in Nelson County, VA, p. 221, HH 16:  
McCaul, Royal 44MW hotel keeper \$2,000 b. Goochland County, VA [incorrectly indexed at Ancestry.com as Caul]  
" , Mildred P. 41FW b. Amherst County, VA  
" , Elizabeth M. 3FW b. Nelson County  
Ryan, Preston 23MW tailor Nelson County  
**Kidd, Coleman W.** 53MW Const. (Constable) b. Nelson County [note: Nelson Co not formed until 1807]

1860 – On the federal census in Nelson County, VA (Lovingston P.O.), p. 114, HH 811:  
Will, John E. 49MW farmer \$1100/500 b. Nelson County  
" , Adaline 29FW Nelson County  
" , Mary 19FW Nelson County  
" , James 18MW farmer Nelson County

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<sup>38</sup> Albemarle County, Virginia death certificate #27854, found on Ancestry.com within Virginia Death Records, 1912-2014.

<sup>39</sup> *Virginia Marriages, 1740-1850*, on Ancestry.com.

<sup>40</sup> *U.S. Appointments of U.S. Postmasters, 1832-1971*, on Ancestry.com.

" , Lewis 13MW Nelson County

**Kidd, Coleman W.** 64MW Constable b. Albemarle County  
(Plus 4 other apparent boarders)

1870 – Again on the federal census in Nelson County, VA (Lovingsston P.O.), living alone, p. 319, HH 120/129:

**Kidd, Coleman W.** 74MW Constable VA

(Numerous other Kidd households are nearby, including one headed by Charity Kidd, age 72).

1880 – On the 1880 census for Lynchburg, Campbell County, VA, a Charles W. Kidd, aged 84, uncle, no occupation, single, is listed in the HH of Lewis C. Kidd, 32, a retail grocer. The family lived on Main Street. Despite the census taker recording this as Charles W., this man appears to be **Coleman W. Kidd**.

A **Coleman W. Kidd**, born abt 1795 in VA, died in Lynchburg, Campbell County, VA on 28 October 1880. He was a widower at the time of his death.<sup>41</sup> He died at the home of Lewis C. Kidd, his nephew, according to funeral home records.<sup>42</sup>

**DUEL KIDD, the son of William and Margaret Kidd of Middlesex County VA**

**Duel3 (William2, Thomas1) Kidd**

**Born in 1711 in Middlesex County**

**Married Mary Sorrow, the widow of Samuel Sorrow, in Middlesex County in 1736**

**Died between November 1804 and September 1805, likely in Albemarle County**

Note: The births/baptisms of two children of Duel Kidd and Mary Sorrow—James, b 1736/37, and Margaret, b 1739--are recorded in the Middlesex Christ Church Parish records. Because Duel had at least one more child--Duel Jr., born before 1771—it is likely he had other children between 1740-1770 and also very likely had more than one wife.

Duel Kidd lived in the southeastern part of Albemarle County, close to the James River and the present-day Nelson County line. There are three other adult Kidd men found in this area of Albemarle County who possibly could be sons of Duel Kidd: Charles Kidd (b 1771/1781- d 1856), Joseph Kidd (b 1764/1770 – d ca 1842), who married Ann (Nancy) Johnson in 1795 in Albemarle County, and Pleasant Kidd (b 1766/1780 - d by 1825), who married Sarah Farrell in 1802 in Albemarle County.

1711/12 – "**Direll [Duel]**, son of Wm. & Margt. **Kidd**, borne 16 of March 1711." <sup>43</sup>

1735 – **Duel Kidd** to be added to the list of Middlesex County Tythables, 1 July 1735.<sup>44</sup>

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<sup>41</sup> *Virginia Deaths and Burials Index, 1853-1917*, on Ancestry.com.

<sup>42</sup> "Virginia, Lynchburg, Old City Cemetery, Diuguid Funeral Home records, 1820-1971."

Images. *FamilySearch*. <http://FamilySearch.org> : accessed 2018. Citing Diuguid Funeral Home, Lynchburg, Virginia.

<sup>43</sup> *Christ Church Parish Register*, p. 86.

<sup>44</sup> *Middlesex County, Virginia Wills & Inventories 1673-1812 and Other Court Papers*, by William Lindsay Hopkins, Richmond, VA, 1989, p. 266, citing Orders 1732-1737, p. 56.

1736 – **Duel Kidd** and Mary Sorrow married 13 July 1736 in Middlesex County (by Banns).<sup>45</sup> She was the widow of Samuel Sorrow, with whom she had children Anne (b May 1732, baptized June 1732) and Samuel (b May 1735, baptized June 1735).

1737 – James, ye son of **Duel** and Mary **Kidd**, born 10 Feb, and baptized 4 March 1736/7.<sup>46</sup>

1739 – Margaret, daughter of **Duel** and Mary **Kid**, born 16 May and baptized June 1739.<sup>47</sup>

Duel Kidd moved to Caroline County by 1743/1744.

1743/4 –At a Caroline County Court held 9 March 1743/4: Josias Wood acknowledged deed of land indented to **Duel Kidd**.<sup>48</sup>

1745 – At a Caroline County Court held 12 April 1745: John Comer is appointed overseer of Pole Catt road in place of John Cheadle and it's ordered that the hands of .....**Duel Kid's**....& Wm. Chowning's assist in clearing the road.<sup>49</sup>

Duel Kidd's name appears in the 1745 account book of William Beverley, the owner of several large tracts of land in Virginia leased to tenants.<sup>50</sup> The entry reads:

**Dual Kidd** – 11/20/1745: To TYR [This Year's Rent]<sup>51</sup> 430. Contra \_\_\_\_ (blank).

While the location of this land was not specified in this entry, we believe that the tract of land that Duel leased was in Caroline County.<sup>52</sup>

We do not know when Duel Kidd migrated to Albemarle County. Albemarle County Order Books and loose papers for the period 1749 to 1781 were destroyed during the Revolutionary War.

1783-1805 – The first record of Duel Kidd in Albemarle County is his appearance on a list of individuals receiving support from the Overseers of the Poor for St. Anne's Parish in Albemarle County on 15 December 1783. The entry reads, "To **Duell Kidd** till 10 Nov. next - £8.0.0."<sup>53</sup>

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<sup>45</sup> *Christ Church Parish Register*, p. 169.

<sup>46</sup> *Christ Church Parish Register*, p. 144.

<sup>47</sup> *Christ Church Parish Register*, p. 149.

<sup>48</sup> Caroline County Virginia Order Book, 1740-1746, p. 257.

<sup>49</sup> *Caroline County, Virginia Order Book, 1740-1746 (part 3, 1744-1746)*, abstracted and compiled by John Frederick Dorman, Washington, DC, 1973, p. 12.

<sup>50</sup> "Account Book of William Beverley, 1745," transcribed by John M. Weisner published in *Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*, vol. 41, pages 193-214, 1990, pages 194 and 201.

<sup>51</sup> TYR was the notation used throughout these account books to indicate "this year's rent."

<sup>52</sup> The introductory paragraphs for the transcriptions of William Beverley's 1745 account book note that, unlike the 1752 account book, "this book frequently fails to identify the tract or county where the leaseholds are located. Since many of the names in the two books are the same and the order of listing appear to be quite similar, one can take an educated guess" as to the location of a particular leasehold. He goes on to say (MVR 41:194), "The tenants starting on page 15 and going up to and including Dual Kidd on page 19 probably resided in Beverly Park, primarily in King and Queen County." That said, both Duel and Moses Kidd appear on these lists, and Moses Kidd's listings specify that his land was in Beverley Park; and we know from other records that both men appear in other records for Caroline County. So we believe that the lands they were renting from William Beverley were in Caroline County.

<sup>53</sup> "Lord have mercy upon the Poor' The Vestry Book of St. Anne's Parish, Albemarle County, 1772-1785," by Eric G. Grundset, *Virginia Magazine of Genealogy*, February 2014, Vol. 52, No. 1, p. 27.

The Albemarle County's Overseers of the Poor records evidently have not been transcribed, as Grundset did for the parish records. But the full volume, including the county records for 1786-1809, has been digitized and is available at Family Search:

As depicted in the Table below, he continued to be listed on these Albemarle County Overseers of the Poor lists through 1805, then drops from them:

DATE	TO	for benefit of	Amt	District <sup>54</sup>	image # <sup>55</sup>
Dec 1783	Duell Kidd	Self	£8		48
Dec 1784	Duel Kidd	Self	£8		51
1785	No Lists <sup>56</sup>				
July 1786	Henry Wood	Danl. Kidd <sup>57</sup>	£8		55
Aug 1787	Duile Kidd	for self	£8		56
Nov 1788	Duell Kidd	for self	£8		60
Sept 1789	John Hudson	Duel Kidd	£8	SE	64
Sept 1790	John Hudson	Duel Kidd	£7	SE	69
Sept 1791	John Hudson	Duel Kid	£7	SE	74
Sept 1792	Walter Leak	Duel Kid	£7	SE	81
Sept 1793	Samuel Dyer	Duel Kidd	£7	SE	85
Oct 1794	Samuel Dyer	Duel Kidd	£7	SE	92
March 1796	Samuel Dyer	Duel Kidd	£7	none	99
March 1796	Saml. Dyer	Duel Kidd	£12	SE	103
Sept 1797	Saml. Dyer	Duel Kidd	£8	SE	107
Oct 1798	Willm Tomkins	Duel Kidd	£15	SE	115
Sept 1799	Wm. Tompkins	Duel Kid	£15	SW?	118
Jan 1801	Wm. Thompkins	Duel Kidd & family	£15	none	126
Nov 1801	Samuel Dyer	Duel Kidd	£15	none	132
Sept 1802	Samuel Dyer	Duel Kid	£15	SE	135
Sept 1803	Samuel Dyer	Duel Kidd	£15	none	140

<https://www.familysearch.org/library/books/records/item47916-vestry-book-1772-1785-and-overseers-of-the-poor-accounts-1786-1809?offset=>

<sup>54</sup> Duel Kidd is listed in the SE district of Albemarle County in nearly all of these Overseers of the Poor records.

<sup>55</sup> The Image # in this column represents the image # of that particular record on the web page above.

<sup>56</sup> There is no entry for Duel Kidd in 1785. The Virginia General Assembly disestablished the Anglican Church as the state's official church in 1784. St. Anne's Parish Vestry Book ends in 1785, at which time the Albemarle County Overseers of the Poor assumed responsibility to support the county indigents. Records from the county overseers continue through 1809, recorded in the same book as the St. Anne's Vestry records.

<sup>57</sup> This entry clearly reads Danl Kidd. However, taken in context of the above records from 1783 through 1805, it is clear this entry is almost certain to be Duel Kidd. The name Daniel is an uncommon one in the Kidd family, and there is no Daniel Kidd found in any of the central Virginia county records.

Sept 1803	Jno. Harris, for furnishing house for D. Kidd & family(?)	D. Kidd	£6	none	140
Oct 1804	Samuel Dyer	Duel Kidd	£15	none	149
Sept 1805	Samuel Dyer	Duel Kid, DECEASED	\$5	none	160

1785 – The following Kidds appeared on the Albemarle County “List of Inhabitants” of 1785:<sup>58</sup>

Owner's Name	No. White Souls	No. dwelling houses	Out Houses	Slave cabins	Mills	Image #
Benjamin Kidd	2	1	0	0	0	31
Jno. Norman Kidd	1	1	0	0	0	31
Wm Kidd	2	1	0	0	0	31
<b>Duet (sic) Kidd</b>	9	1	0	0	0	31
Moses Kidd	9	1	0	0	0	31

Note: Duet had a large household, of 9 white persons, recorded in this 1785 list of inhabitants. His theoretical household possibly included himself, a wife, sons Duet, Pleasant, Joseph, and Charles, unnamed daughters, or other hired hands or relatives.

1787-1793 – **Duel Kidd** first appears on the Albemarle County PPTLs in 1787 (there are no extant lists for 1788-1789).

In 1792, **Duel Kidd** again appears on the Albemarle County PPTLs, listed for himself and “son Duet” Kidd.

In 1793, he appears again on the annual PPTL; No levy was assessed for him (likely due to his old age), but “son Duet” Kidd is again listed under his name.

Duel Kidd does not appear on the Albemarle PPTLs after 1793, likely due to his old age.

But his name continues to appear on the Overseers of the Poor list through 1805 (above).

1805 – The last Albemarle County record for Duel Kidd is his final entry in the Albemarle County Overseers of the Poor entry on September 1805, indicating that he was deceased. In 1805, Duel Kidd would have reached the remarkable age of 94.

### **DUEL KIDD [JR.], son of Duel Kidd**

**Born by 1776**

**Died after 1803**

<sup>58</sup> See FHL #1854091, List of Inhabitants, Albemarle County, 1785, image 31. Sometimes called “Heads of Families,” these lists were special supplementary enumerations mandated by the Virginia State Assembly, distinct from the annual County PPTLs and LTLs.



1792-1793 – **Duel Kidd** is named as “son Duel” of the elder Duel Kidd in the PPTLs of 1792 and 1793. Both men disappear from the PPTLs after 1794.

1803 – On 2 April 1803, “**Duel Kidd**, of lawful age,” gave testimony in a Chancery Court suit in Albemarle County, stating that Nathaniel Watkins, (now) deceased told him that if Samuel Wood would marry his daughter Elizabeth Watkins, he would give him (when he recovered a parcel of Negroes for which he was contending with Cabell’s executors) the oldest girl among them.<sup>59</sup> This deposition (among others, including one Joseph Kidd) was taken at the house of “Duell Kidd” by Samuel Wood. A Joseph Kidd also was named as a deponent in this suit, although no deposition from this Joseph is found in the suit documents.<sup>60</sup>

Note: One of the locations identified for depositions in this suit is Warren, a community on the James River across the river from Buckingham County.

The relationship between this Duel Kidd (Jr.) and Joseph Kidd (who married Ann (Nancy) Johnson in 1795 in Albemarle County) is not known, but they may have been brothers and sons of Duel Kidd. Other sons of Duel Kidd Sr. may have been Charles Kidd (died 1856 in Albemarle County) and Pleasant Kidd (b 1766/1780 - d by 1825), who married Sarah Farrell in 1802 in Albemarle County. Duel Kidd lived in the southeastern part of Albemarle County, close to the James River and the present-day Nelson County line. While this theory needs additional research, Duel Kidd (Jr.) and Joseph Kidd are named in the above chancery suit as possible witnesses, and all these men lived in the area, had limited assets, and apparently were illiterate.

No further record has been found for the younger Duel Kidd in Albemarle County or elsewhere.

### **ELIAS KIDD, married Martha Garland in 1845 in Albemarle County**

1845 – **Elias Kidd** married Martha Garland on 19 August 1845 in Albemarle County.<sup>61</sup> In another account of this marriage, the minister is named as Porter Cleveland and the bondsman as Clifton Garland. Witnesses were John R. Houchens and William L. Houchens.<sup>62</sup>

Note: John R. Houchens married Charlotte Kidd in Albemarle County in 1839.

1850-1851 – **Elias Kidd** appears these two years on the Albemarle PPTLs (1851 is the last year checked so far). In 1850 he was taxed for his own tithe, one young slave and one horse. In 1851, he only paid his tithe (no slave or horse).

1850 – He's not found on the 1850 federal census in Albemarle County.

### **ELIZABETH KIDD LANDERS, wife of Meredith Landers**

**Born abt 1772 in Virginia, married in Albemarle County in 1793**

**Moved to Putnam County VA [now WV]**

**Died after 1860, likely in Putnam County**

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<sup>59</sup> [https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/full\\_case\\_detail.asp?CFN=003-1803-006#img](https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/full_case_detail.asp?CFN=003-1803-006#img), image 17 of 36.

<sup>60</sup> Ibid, image 33 of 36.

<sup>61</sup> *Marriages of Albemarle County and Charlottesville, VA, 1781-1929*, by William L. Norford, p. 112.

<sup>62</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt & T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, p. 187, citing “B/C Papers, 1848-50.”

- 1793 – Meredith Landers and **Elizabeth Kidd** were married 11 April 1793 in Albemarle County.<sup>63</sup> The bondsman for this marriage was William Hensley.<sup>64</sup> The witness was John Carr, and Samuel Hensley, the guardian for **Elizabeth Kidd**, gave his consent (indicating that she was under the age of consent). Witnesses included Lawrence Suddeth, James Atkins, and William Hensley.<sup>65</sup>
- 1830 – a Merida Landers/Landress is in Putnam County, VA (now WV) at the time of this federal census.
- 1850 – Meredith and Elizabeth Landers (mis-indexed as Sanders on Ancestry.com) are on the federal census in Putnam County, VA, both age 78, born in Virginia.
- 1860 – This couple is again on the federal census in Putnam County, VA, listed as age 88.
- We have not found a death record for either Elizabeth or Meredith Landers in Putnam County.

**FLOYD L. KIDD**, shoemaker, the son of Alexander Kidd Sr. and his wife Charity Willoughby of Nelson County  
Listed on the Albemarle County PPTLs from 1847-1851  
Born 12 April 1823<sup>66</sup> in Nelson County, VA  
Married Martha (maiden name unknown)  
Died 8 May 1884<sup>67</sup>, likely in Buckingham County, VA

- 1845-1846 – **Floyd Kidd** appears on the Nelson County, VA PPTLs, each time taxed on 1 WMT, and no slaves or horses. He then disappears from Nelson County records.
- 1847 – Joshua Willoughby was the father of three daughters who married Kidd men in Nelson County – Charity, who married Alexander Kidd Sr.; Agnes (Aggy) who married Robert N. Kidd; and Frances/Fanny, who married Alexander S. Kidd. Joshua died in 1846, leaving a complicated will naming many beneficiaries. On October 5, 1847, a suit involving his heirs was filed in Chancery Court (case #1847-028).<sup>68</sup>  
This suit names all of the children then living of these three couples, including: Children of Charity and Alexander Kidd, Sr.: Sarah Ann Kidd, Frederick Kidd, **Floyd Kidd**, and Cynthia Kidd (above the age of 21; and Semariah, Landon, Alexander, Elizabeth and Caroline Kidd (minors).
- 1847-1851 – **Floyd Kidd** appears annually on the Albemarle County, VA PPTLs; in each year he pays his own poll tax, and has no slaves or horses.
- 1850 – A **T.L. Kidd**, a shoemaker by profession, is listed on the 1850 Albemarle County census in the household of Lewis and Mary Ball, a wealthy merchant whose household includes boarders who are tradesmen and merchants. Despite the initial “T,” this appears to be the shoemaker Floyd L. Kidd.

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<sup>63</sup> *Some Virginia Marriages, 1700-1799*, compiled by Cecil McDonald Jr., vol. 3, p. 9.

<sup>64</sup> Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853, by John Vogt, p. 532, citing Rec. of Marriage Bonds, 1780-1806.

<sup>65</sup> Ibid, citing “B/C Papers, 1793-1798.”

<sup>66</sup> Find A Grave, database and images (<https://www.findagrave.com> : accessed 28 February 2018), memorial page for Floyd L. Kidd, Jr (12 Apr 1823–8 May 1884), Find A Grave Memorial no. 102531725, citing New Store Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Dillwyn, Buckingham County, Virginia, USA ; Maintained by Machpelah (contributor 48008938).

<sup>67</sup> Ibid.

<sup>68</sup> Digital images of this suit are available at: <http://www.virginiamemory.com/collections/chancery/>

HH 1889, HH of Lewis Ball, Albemarle County VA  
**T. L. Kidd** – 30WM Shoemaker VA

1852 – On 8 June 1852, Alexander Fitzpatrick and Behetherland his wife, John W. Witt, and William C. Roberts and Jane his wife sold to **Floyd Kidd** for \$200 a lot of land near the town of Howardsville in the County of Albemarle.<sup>69</sup>

On 16 August 1852, **Floyd F. Kidd** of Buckingham County, VA sold to Drury W. Kindrick of Albemarle County, VA for \$250 all of his right, title and interest to a lot of land in the town of Howardsville. Floyd Kidd signed the deed with an X; it was witnessed by John R. Scruggs.<sup>70</sup>

In the body of the deed, his middle initial is clearly “F,” but elsewhere in two places, it is almost certainly “L.”

Beginning in 1852, **Floyd L. Kidd** is found in Buckingham County VA, where he remained until his death in 1884. **See his section in our Buckingham County compilation for all of his records.**

**FREDERICK/FRED KIDD, the son of Alexander Kidd Sr. and his wife Charity Willoughby of Nelson County**

**Born about 1825, likely in Nelson County**

1843-1846 – He appears in these four years on the Nelson County, VA PPTLs, each time taxed on 1 WMT, and no slaves or horses. He then disappears from the Nelson County PPTLs.

1847 – Joshua Willoughby was the father of three daughters who married Kidd men in Nelson County – Charity, who married Alexander Kidd Sr.; Agnes (Aggy) who married Robert N. Kidd; and Frances/Fanny, who married Alexander S. Kidd. Joshua died in 1846, leaving a complicated will naming many beneficiaries. On October 5, 1847, a suit involving his heirs was filed in Chancery Court (case #1847-028).<sup>71</sup>

This suit names all of the children then living of these three couples, including: Children of Charity and Alexander Kidd, Sr.: Sarah Ann Kidd, **Frederick Kidd**, Floyd Kidd, and Cynthia Kidd (above the age of 21; and Semariah, Landon, Alexander, Elizabeth and Caroline Kidd (minors).

1848 – On 1 January 1848, Alexander Kidd of Nelson County entered into a deed of trust with Charles Perrow regarding a debt of \$75 borrowed from **Frederick Kidd** due by bond bearing the date of this instrument, and a debt of \$88.50 due by bond bearing this date, and a debt to Hiram W. Dawson, both the amount and the date due no longer recalled. In doing so, he used a parcel of land containing 7¼ acres in Nelson County, adjoining the lands of John Bryant and others, situated near the base of the Rocky Mountain on the west side thereof; and also the following personal estate: 1300 weight of pork, 11 head of cattle and their increase, twenty head of sheep and their increase; 31 head of hogs and their further increase; crops of corn and oats now on hand, and crop of wheat now sowed and growing; one two-horse wagon, plantation tools of every description, and all the household and kitchen furniture; and also a debt due from the estate of Hardin Perkins, and one other debt

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<sup>69</sup> Albemarle County, VA Deed Book 56, page 425, retrieved from FHL # 30251, image 234 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

<sup>70</sup> Albemarle County, VA Deed Book 56, page 420, retrieved from FHL # 30251, image 232 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

<sup>71</sup> Digital images of this suit are available at: <http://www.virginiamemory.com/collections/chancery/>

due by execution from Joseph Kidd Jr., in the hands of John H. Wingfield. Alexander Kidd signed this instrument, and it was admitted into Nelson County Court record the same day.<sup>72</sup>

1850 – There is a Frederick Kidd on the federal census in Albemarle County, VA (p. 283A), living in the household of David Drinkard, age 60 and his wife Susan, age 55 (HH 1838):

**Frederick Kidd** 25MW (no occupation listed) VA

Also in this HH is William Wady, 25MW wheelwright VA, apparently also a boarder.

1850-1851 – A **Fred. Kidd** appears in these two years on the Albemarle County, VA PPTLs. Both years he pays only his own tithe, and has no slaves, horse, or other property. Note: 1851 is the last year of these PPTLs that we've reviewed.

No other mention of him has been found in Albemarle County.

### **GEORGE KIDD(s)**

**GEORGE KIDD, in Albemarle County in 1799; parents unknown<sup>73</sup>**

**Born between 1776 and 1780<sup>74</sup>**

**Married Lydia Chiles in 1805 in Franklin County, VA**

**Moved from Franklin County, VA abt 1813, appearing in Kanawha County, VA [now WV] by 1815**

**On Kanawha County records from 1815 through 1838**

**By 1840, he's moved across the Ohio River to Lawrence County, OH, along with his adult son Jesse Kidd**

**In his later years, he moved to Greenup County, KY, to live in the household of his son Jesse and his family**

**Died there sometime after the 1860 federal census. Actual date and place of death are unknown.**

Note: While the name George Kidd is found in other areas of Virginia, it is uncommon in the central Virginia counties. Descendants of this George Kidd who are in the Kidd Y-DNA project are close Y-DNA matches to other documented descendants of Thomas Kidd1 of Middlesex County. However, Y-DNA results alone cannot confirm the father of George Kidd.

1799 – A **George Kidd** appears on the Albemarle County VA PPTL in this one year. He's not seen earlier (1782-1798) and doesn't appear for the next two decades.

1805 – A marriage bond was issued for the marriage of **George Kidd** and Lidia Chiles on 17 April 1805 in Franklin County, Virginia.<sup>75</sup> David Hunt was the surety for this bond.

1806-1812 – A **George Kidd** first appears on the Franklin County PPTLs in 1806; he appears annually thereafter through 1812 (each time with just one WM tithe), then disappears from these lists, and does not reappear.

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<sup>72</sup> Nelson County, Virginia Deed Book 12:183-4.

<sup>73</sup> This George Kidd was not the son of John and Lucy Melton Kidd, who married in 1792. This couple did have a son named George, born about 1802, who left several records in Franklin County.

<sup>74</sup> This date range is calculated from his age on the 1810-1840 federal censuses.

<sup>75</sup> Virginia Select Marriages, 1785-1940, on Ancestry.com, citing FHL #315123, item 1, Index to Franklin County Marriage Bonds, 1786-1853, image 84 of 608 on this reel, viewable without restriction via familysearch.org.

1809 – On 21 August 1809, Landon J. Bishop and Mary his wife of the county of Franklin sold to **George Kidd** (residence not stated) for £25 a parcel of land in Franklin containing 100 acres and lying on the waters of Pig River, bounded by lands of Reuben (Brown?) decd., John Scott, William Horseley, and Jesse Prunty. The deed was admitted to record in Franklin County Court on 1 January 1810.<sup>76</sup>

1810 – On the federal census in Franklin County, Virginia, page 299 (printed in lower right corner) **George Kidd**: 2FWM<10, 1 26-44; 1F<10, 1 10-15, 1 26-44 and 1 >44.

On 2 December 1810, Landon Bishop and **George Kid** of Franklin County sold to William Horseley of the same county for £20 a parcel of land containing 100 acres (the same land as above). Both Bishop and Kidd signed with an X. The deed was admitted to record on 3 December 1810.<sup>77</sup>

1812 – **George Kidd** appears for the last time on the Franklin County PPTLs in 1812, then drops from these lists.

We believe that the records below pertain to him, and that he migrated to Kanawha County, VA [now WV], then later to Lawrence County, Ohio.

1815-1817 – A **George Kidd** appears for the first time on the Kanawha County PPTLs in 1815, joining a Jesse Kidd and a William Kidd there. He appears again in 1816 and 1817, then drops from these PPTLs until 1821. However, he is on the 1820 federal census there, despite not being on the 1820 PPTL.

1820 – On the federal census in Kanawha County, Virginia:

**George Kidd**: 1FWM<10, 2 10-15 & 1 26-44; 1F<10, 1 10-15 & 1 26-44. Two in Agriculture.

(Also found on the 1820 federal census in Kanawha County are Jesse and John Kidd. See the Kanawha County document for details.)

There is also an 1820 Kanawha County Court case involving a debt, in which **George Kidd** was the defendant. We have not seen this actual record.<sup>78</sup>

1821-1838 – **George Kidd** appears again on the Kanawha County PPTLs in 1821, and continues to be listed annually through 1838; in 1839 he drops from them and doesn't reappear through 1848 (the last year of these records that we have checked so far).

1826 – In a deed signed on 5 April 1826, Benjamin Hensley of the county of Kanawha sold to **George Kidd** of the same county for \$100 a tract of 100 acres of land. The witnesses to this deed were Meredith Sanders (or Landers?), Lewis S. Hollingback and Jesse Kidd (who signed with an X).

The deed was recorded in Court on 12 June 1826.<sup>79</sup>

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<sup>76</sup> Franklin Co. DB 6:23-24. Scanned images available.

<sup>77</sup> Franklin Co. DB 6:269. Scanned image available.

<sup>78</sup> Case 1820-27, Thomas Richards v George Kidd, Debt.

<sup>79</sup> Kanawha County Deed Book G, page 80, retrieved from FHL #460419 (item 2), image 341. Scanned image available.

- 1827 – **George Kidd** appears on the 1827 Land Tax List (LTL) in the Lower Division of Kanawha County in 1827, taxed for 100 acres on Pocatalico (River), 19 miles NW of the courthouse, receiving this land from Benjamin Hensley.<sup>80</sup>
- 1828-1836 – In 1828, **George Kidd** is listed again on the Kanawha County LTLs, as above.
- 1830 – on the federal census in Kanawha County, p. 199:  
**George Kidd**: 1FWM 10-14 & 1 50-59; 1F 15-19 & 1 50-59. No slaves.
- 1836 – On 3 September 1836, **George Kidd** and Lidda/Liddy/Lydia of Kanawha County sold to Wiet Turley for \$200 a tract of land in Kanawha containing 100 acres. The deed was proved in Court on 18 October 1836.<sup>81</sup>
- 1839 – **George Kidd** drops from the PPTLs in Kanawha County, VA.
- 1840 – On the federal census in Lawrence County, Ohio, Lawrence township, p. 37, line 6:  
**George Kidd** (indexed at Ancestry.com as “HILD”): 1WM 60-69 & 1 F 60-69. No others.
- Also in Lawrence County, Ohio, in the Upper twp., page 27:  
Jesse Kidd: 1M<5, 1-5-9 & 1 30-39; 1F<5, 1 5-9, 1 10-14, 1 20-29 & 1 30-39.  
On this same page, twelve doors away, is the family of “Tho. Ditie,” whom we suspect is the father of Jesse Kidd’s second wife Hannah Ditty.
- 1850 – On the federal census in Lawrence County, Ohio, Mason twp., P. 368, HH 172/175:  
**George Kidd** 73MW farmer VA CROW<sup>82</sup>  
Lidia “ 75FW VA  
Caroline “ 12FW OH
- 1860 – On the federal census in Greenup County, Kentucky (just across the Ohio River from Lawrence County, Ohio, where they were in 1850), in the household of their son Jesse Kidd, Hoods Run P.O., page 43 (handwritten), HH 318/314:  
Jesse Kidd 50MW farmer \$1200/\$800 VA  
Hannah<sup>83</sup> “ , 34FW VA  
Rebecca “ , 23FW KY  
Asenith “ , 16FW KY attended school within the year  
George<sup>84</sup> “ , 14MW KY attended school within the year  
Eliza “ , 12FW KY attended school within the year  
Sarah “ , 9FW KY attended school within the year  
Albina<sup>85</sup> “ , 8FW KY attended school within the year  
Lydia “ , 3FW KY

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<sup>80</sup> FHL #468689, image 405, viewable online via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

<sup>81</sup> Kanawha County Deed Book I-J, page 417, retrieved from FHL #460420 (item 2), image 442. Scanned image available.

<sup>82</sup> Cannot read or write.

<sup>83</sup> Jesse Kidd married Hannah Ditty in Lawrence County, Ohio on 28 February 1841, according to Ancestry.com, citing FHL #317716,

<sup>84</sup> This George Kidd died in Greenup Co., KY on 27 January 1929 at the age of 83. His death certificate states that he was born on 5 July 1845 in Greenup County, and names his parents as Jesse Kidd, born in VA and Hannah Ditty, born in Greenup County. See Kentucky Death Records, 1852-1965 on Ancestry.com.

<sup>85</sup> A birth record for Albiina J. Kidd shows that she was born 18 August 1853 in Perma Furnace, Greenup County, to Jesse Kidd and Hannah Ditty

Willard<sup>86</sup> “ , 1/12WM

Jackmolina Easterling 3FW adopted KY

**George M. Kidd** 84MW inmate VA

Lydia Kidd 84FW inmate VA

[Several others, apparently workers who are unrelated. Note: Inmate, in this context, means resident in household.]

George Kidd is said, without documentation, to have died on 1 December 1862 in Greenup County, KY. His wife Lidia is said to have died there in 1870. Neither of them are living in their son's household at the time of the 1870 census (see below).

1870 – This Jesse Kidd is again on the federal census in Greenup County, KY, precinct No. 5, Hunnewell Furnace P. O., page 137, HH 391/385:

Kidd, Jesse 60MW wagonmaker \$0/\$600 WV

“ , Hannah 44FW keeping house WV

“ , Eliza 22FW works at home KY

“ , Alice 17FW works at home KY

“ , Lydia 13FW attending school KY

“ , James 11MW attending school KY

“ , William 9MW attending school KY

Note: This also may be the same George Kidd who is named in a Nelson County Chancery Court suit for William Kidd, citing accounts in 1797 and 1798 in what was then Amherst County.<sup>87</sup> That George Kidd's accounts are an exhibit in this suit suggests some relationship between George Kidd and William Kidd, who was the son of John Kidd and Ruth Parish of Albemarle County.

William Kidd was the defendant in a Nelson County Chancery Court suit, titled William Maclure etc v. William Kidd, that began in fall 1807 and ended in 1831 in Nelson County. The suit originated in Amherst County, just prior to the formation of Nelson County from part of Amherst County. The complainants, William Maclure, James Miller and Patrick Hart, surviving partners of Maclure, Brydie & Co. state that they had several dealings with one William Kidd in 1798, and that at that time they had settled the account and provided him with a receipt for his account. Upon later examination, they discovered that Kidd had been incorrectly credited for £10.9.11 and that he still owed them this amount. They state that this amount, with interest from 31 August 1798, is justly due.

In his response (p. 4), apparently in May Court 1816, William Kidd denies the claim against him, and states that the statute of limitations should apply in this case.

The case continued until 1831, when in July court it was dismissed, with a decree for the defendant William Kidd's costs.

Also in the record is a subpoena to the Sheriff of Amherst County dated 22 October 1807, indicating that the case began there, prior to the formation of Nelson County from Amherst County in 1807.

Among the receipts submitted as exhibits in this case was one for a **George Kidd's** account in 1797

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<sup>86</sup> The death record of Charles Willard Kidd, who died 13 October 1938 in So. Portsmouth, Greenup Co., KY, lists his parents as Jesse Kidd (born in KY) and Anna (last name blank) born in Ireland. It lists C.W.'s date of birth as 5 May 1860.

<sup>87</sup> [https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=125-1831-006](https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=125-1831-006)

and 1798 (p. 10). This account lists a number of cloth goods, which seems to indicate a man in some sort of trade.

**GEORGE M. [or W.] KIDD, a miller by occupation in Albemarle County**

**Parents not known**

**Born abt 1810, likely in Albemarle County**

**Married Martha Ann Wash in 1849, and possibly Susan G. McKenney in 1846**

**Died after 1880, likely in Albemarle County**

1837-1851 – A **George Kidd** appears on the Albemarle County, VA PPTLs starting in 1837, and appears almost annually through 1851 (the last year we've checked to date).

His middle initial varies from year to year – sometimes no middle initial, sometimes appearing to read "Wm", and other years "M" or "W".

These appear to be the same man, paying his own tithe each year.

1838 – Sarah Kidd and John Clarke were married on 22 December 1838 in Albemarle County, VA.<sup>88</sup>

The bondsman was John W. Kidd, and the witness was Ira Garrett. Sarah Kidd (evidently the mother of the bride) gives her consent, indicating that the bride was not yet 21 years old.

Witness to this affidavit was **G. M. Kidd**.<sup>89</sup>

1839 – **George M. Kidd** gave a deposition in an Albemarle County Chancery court suit, titled “Joel W. Brown v. Robert Beaman *et al*,” on 18 March 1839, testifying about when he performed work for Brown, the plaintiff. This record includes his signature.<sup>90</sup>

1846 – **George W. [M.] Kidd** and Susan G. McKenney were married in Albemarle County, VA on 14 October 1846 by John S. Abell. Bondsman was Joseph Mayo, who affirms that George is over 21; Wit. John A. Garrett. W. G. McKinney, who gives his consent for the bride.

Witnessed by Joseph R. and J.H. Mayo.<sup>91</sup>

Note that the minister for this marriage, and one of the witnesses are the same as for the 1849 marriage for George M. Kidd, suggesting the initial “W” should be “M.”

1849 – **George M. Kidd** married Martha Ann Wash on 13 November 1849 in Albemarle County, VA.<sup>92</sup> Another transcription of this record lists the bride as "Minnie Ann Wash." A third names the minister as John S. Abell, and states that the bondsman was Pleasant E. Kidd, who was also a witness to the consent of Henry Wash (evidently the bride's father), along with Julius H. Mayo.<sup>93</sup>

1850 – No George Kidd is found on the federal census in Albemarle County.

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<sup>88</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt, p. 532, citing Albemarle Marriage Register, 1808-1868, folio 74.

<sup>89</sup> *Ibid*, citing B/C Papers, 1837-1842.

<sup>90</sup> [https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=003-1839-032](https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=003-1839-032) An image of this record, from Albemarle Co Chancery Court, can be found in the Albemarle Sources folder on Dropbox.

<sup>91</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt & T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, p. 187, citing “B/C Papers, 1842-47.”

<sup>92</sup> *Virginia Marriages, 1740-1850*, at Ancestry.com.

<sup>93</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt & T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, p. 187.



1860 – On the census in St. Anne's parish, Albemarle County, VA (Charlottesville P.O.), p. 91, HH 700/696:

**Kidd, George M.** 50MW laborer \$0/100 VA

" , Martha A. 36FW VA

" , Edwin 12MW VA attended school within the year

" , Henry P. 6MW VA attended school within the year

" , Willy 4MW VA

" , Lucy 2FW VA

(In the adjacent household is a Martha Kidd, age 9, who is apparently their daughter, because she's listed in their HH on the 1870 census, below.)

1870 – On the federal census in Sam Miller twp., Albemarle County, VA (Ivy Depot P.O.), pp. 497-498, HH 818/825:

**Kidd, George** 53MW miller \$0/100 VA

" , Martha A. 42FW keeping house VA

" , Martha 19FM at home VA

" , Willie E. 13FW at home VA

" , Robert L. 6MW VA

" , Julia H. 6FW VA

" , James 3MW VA

" , Baby 2/12MW (April) VA

1880 – On the federal census in Sam Miller Twp., Albemarle County, VA, ED 007, sheet 29A, p. 168A, HH 227/234:

**Kidd, George M.** WM 62M miller VA VA VA

" , Martha A wife WF 52M keeping house VA VA VA

" , Willie E. dau WF 22S VA VA VA

" , Robert Lee son WM 15S VA VA VA

" , Julia H. dau WF 15S VA VA VA

" , James H. son WM 13S VA VA VA

" , Charles L. son WM 9S VA VA VA

Omohundro, John (relationship blank) WM 20S milling VA VA VA

1900 – George M. Kidd died sometime after 1880. His widow appears on the federal census in Sam Miller twp. (in North Garden pct.), Albemarle County VA, ED 0009, sheet 6A, p. 175A: HH 103/105

Kidd, L.R. head WM Oct. 1866 33S VA VA VA miller [Robert Lee]

HH 104/106

**Kidd, Martha** head WF (DOB blank) 65 widowed married 44yr 10/6

" , Willie E. dau WF (DOB blank) 40S VA VA VA dress making

" , Julia H. dau WF Oct. 1866 33S VA VA VA (no occupation)

Baily, Robt. Help BM 18S (DOB blank) VA VA VA gardening

**ISAIAH B. KIDD, the son of Hudson P. Kidd and Lucy Wright of Nelson County**

**Born June 1824 in Nelson County**

**Married Ann Johnson in 1845 in Albemarle County**

**Died 9 July 1900 in Nelson County**

1845 – **Isaiah B. Kidd** married Mrs. Ann Johnson on 6 March 1845 in Albemarle County, VA.<sup>94</sup> Another transcription of this marriage names the minister as Joseph H. Fox, gives the marriage bond date as 4 March and the marriage date as 6 March 1845. Thomas Kidd, the bondsman, affirmed that both parties were over 21 years of age. Witness: William Dawson.<sup>95</sup>

1845-1847 – An **Isaac B. Kidd** appears on the Albemarle County PPTLs during these two years. This appears to be **Isaiah B. Kidd**. Each year he pays only his own tithe, and he's also taxed on a watch (but no horse or slaves). He doesn't appear in Albemarle County PPTLs again.

Beginning in 1849, Isaiah B. Kidd is found in Nelson County. See our Nelson County compilation for all the records we found for him.

**JAMES<sup>3</sup> KIDD**, son of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd and his wife Margaret (maiden name not known) of Middlesex County VA  
**James<sup>3</sup> (William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**  
**Married (1) Eliza (maiden name not known)<sup>96</sup> and (2) Mourning Parish<sup>97</sup>**  
**Likely died in Buckingham County before 1790**  
**See [Appendix Two](#) for our Genealogical Proof Statement regarding this James Kidd as a) the father of Moses Kidd and his siblings, and b) the son of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd and his wife Margaret.**

**James<sup>3</sup> Kidd** left Middlesex County sometime in the years following his parents' 1727 deaths, traveling in the same timeframe and direction as several of his siblings: Robert, John, Aaron, Duel, Moses, and Margaret, who married John Southern. Records for James have been found in Caroline, Goochland, Albemarle, and Buckingham Counties and are included here.

1716 – **James Kidd** was born 27 March 1716 and baptized 28 April 1716 in Christ Church Parish, Middlesex County, Virginia, the son of William and Margaret Kidd.<sup>98</sup>

1741 – From 1741-1751, James Kidd is found in Caroline County records along with his wife Eliza: At a Caroline County court held 12 Jun 1741: Walter Chiles, gentleman, and wife Mary acknowledge deed of feoffment with livery of seizen [term for sale of land] endorsed to **James Kidd**.<sup>99</sup>

1749 – At Caroline County Court held 8 Sept 1749: Deed of Robert Prol indented to **James Kidd**. Witnesses: Thos White, James White, John Vaughn.<sup>100</sup>

1750 – At Caroline County Court held in July 1750: **James Kidd and wife Eliza** acknowledge deed indented to John Cheadle.<sup>101</sup>

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<sup>94</sup> *Virginia Marriages, 1740-1850*, at Ancestry.com.

<sup>95</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt & T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, p. 187.

<sup>96</sup> named as the wife of James Kidd in the two Caroline county deeds in 1750 and 1751.

<sup>97</sup> *The Douglas Register*, pp. 30, 80, 109 citing p. 2 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com. His surname is mis-indexed as KILL on Ancestry's index.

<sup>98</sup> Christ Church Parish Register.

<sup>99</sup> Caroline County VA Order Book 1740-1746, p. 47.

<sup>100</sup> Caroline County VA Order Book 1746-1754, p. 45.

<sup>101</sup> Caroline County VA Order Book 1746-1754, p. 84.

At Caroline County Court held 13 July 1750: **James Kidd and wife Eliza** acknowledge deed indented to David Terrell.<sup>102</sup>

1751 – At Caroline County Court held 13 Dec 1751: **James Kidd** bringing a petition against John Black, judgment for the plaintiff Kidd.<sup>103</sup>

1755 – **James Kid** and Mourning Parish/Farish “both in this parish” were married by 19 Oct 1755, in Goochland County by the Rev. William Douglas.<sup>104</sup>

[Note: The dates in the Douglas Register can represent the date by which an event (marriage or birth) had occurred. We know that James Kidd’s wife Eliza was alive in 1750 when she acknowledged the Caroline County trust deeds above. James’s brother John Kidd married Mourning’s sister Ruth Parish/Farish prior to 1749 in Goochland County. They were daughters of Henry Parish/Farish of Goochland.]

1756 – On 6 Aug 1756, Dicea Kidd, daughter of **James Kidd** [the published book says Kill, an apparent transcription error] and Morning Parish, was born. She was baptized 5 Sept 1756 by the Rev. William Douglas in St. James Northam Parish.<sup>105</sup>

1759 – On 11 Jan 1759, Mary Kidd, daughter of **James Kidd** [the published book says Caid, an apparent transcription error] and Morning Parish, was born. She was baptized 18 Feb 1759 by the Rev. William Douglas in St. James Northam Parish.<sup>106</sup>

1760 – On 10 Sept 1760, a **James Kidd** received a land patent in Albemarle County, for the sum of 30 shillings, for 290 acres on the north side of and joining the Slate River, adjoining the land of Edward Kersie.<sup>107</sup> This land was in the part of Albemarle that became Buckingham County soon thereafter, in 1761. This is his only Albemarle County record.

1761 – On 3 Feb 1761, Sally Kidd, daughter of **James Kidd** and Morning Parish, was born. She was baptized 29 Mar 1761 by the Rev. William Douglas in St. James Northam Parish.<sup>108</sup>

1773 – **James Kidd** is listed on the Buckingham County PPTL with one tithable.<sup>109</sup> He is not listed in 1774.<sup>110</sup> [Note: Except for 1773-1774, no Buckingham County PPTLs exist prior to 1782.]

1783, 1787 – **James Kidd** is not listed on the Buckingham County PPTL in 1782, but appears in 1783 and 1787, when he is listed as “duty free by the court” and “exempt from tax.” This exemption is likely due to his age of over 60. He is not listed in 1782, 1784-1786, nor after 1787.

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<sup>102</sup> Caroline County VA Order Book 1746-1754, p. 84.

<sup>103</sup> Caroline County VA Order Book 1746-1754, p. 54.

<sup>104</sup> *The Douglas Register*, pp. 30, 80, 109 citing p. 2 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com. His surname is mis-indexed as KILL on Ancestry’s index.

<sup>105</sup> *The Douglas Register*, p. 167, citing p. 49 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

<sup>106</sup> *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 54 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

<sup>107</sup> James Kidd, grantee, Virginia Land Office Patents database, online at Library of Virginia, Land Office Patents No. 34, 1756-1765, p. 710 (reel 33-34). See Albemarle Co source documents for image scan.

<sup>108</sup> *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 59 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

<sup>109</sup> *Virginia Tithables from Burned Record Counties*, by Robert F. and Isabel B. Woodson, published privately, Richmond VA, 1970, p 65

<sup>110</sup> *Genealogical Records of Buckingham County, Virginia*, by Edythe Rucker Whitley, Clearfield Publishing Co, originally published by Genealogical Publishing Co, Baltimore MD, 1994, p 19

1782, 1787-1789 – **James Kidd** appears on the Buckingham County LTLs with 170 acres in 1782 (the first of Buckingham County LTLs), which increases to 209 acres for the years 1787-1789. He disappears from the LTLs in 1790.

Year	Acres	Notations on Land Tax Lists
1782	170	
1783-1786		No LTLs available for these years
1787-1789	209	
1790		James no longer listed; no land alteration noted. <sup>111</sup>

1785 – 27 Oct, William Kidd, **James Kidd**, Moses Kidd, and Samuel Kidd were among 500 residents of Buckingham County who signed a legislative petition to the Virginia House of Delegates, protesting a levy to pay ministers and arguing for the separation of church and state.<sup>112</sup>

We believe that this James Kidd died in Buckingham County in 1789 or 1790. For our research hypothesis about his children, see [Appendix Two](#) of this compilation.

**JAMES4 KIDD**, the son of John3 Kidd and his wife Ruth Farish

**James4 (John3, William2, Thomas1) Kidd**

**Born in 1766 in Granville County, NC (per his Revolutionary War pension application)**

**Married Lucy Jopling in 1790 in Albemarle County**

**Lived in Albemarle, Amherst, and Nelson Counties**

**Died in Nelson County ca 1835**

**See [Appendix 3](#) for our Genealogical Proof Statement for him being the son of John3b Kidd and Ruth Parish.**

1785 – **James Kidd**, the youngest son of John and Ruth Farish Kidd, is named in the Albemarle County will of John Kidd, signed 11 March 1785 and proved in court in the September 1785 term.<sup>113</sup>

[NOTE that the will bears the title "Will of John Kidd" in the record, but the name given as the signer at the bottom looks like "Joseph Kidd," according to the transcription. We believe that this was a clerk's error in recording the will in Will Book 5.]

In the name of god, amen

I John Kidd of Albemarle County being in a low state of bodily health but in the full exercise of my reason so make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following

<sup>111</sup> RK browsed the entire 1790 LTL for parcels of 209 acres, in hopes of learning where James Kidd's land went, but found no parcels of that size. Moreover, none of the entries of this period contained any indication of where an individual's land came from (e.g., "from J. K.", etc.), as did later LTLs.

<sup>112</sup> *Protest against the bill obliging the inhabitants of the Commonwealth to pay the teachers of the Christian religion*, Library of Virginia, Legislative Petitions of Buckingham Co, Reel 30, Box 314, folder 14, see also <http://files.usgarchives.net/va/buckingham/misc/1785petn.txt>, James Kidd signature p 3

<sup>113</sup> Albemarle County, VA Will Book 3, pp. 4-5, proved September 1785. Images retrieved from FHL #30212, item 2, image 256 of 433 (unrestricted access).

[indecipherable] I bequeath my body to the grave by a decent burial at the discretion of my Executors.

Item I refer that all my Just debts be paid

Item I lend to my beloved wife Ruth during her natural life the land whereon I now live together with all the stock and household Furniture

Item I give to my two Eldest Sons John Norman and William to be equally [divided] between them one Certain Tract or Parcel of Land lying in Hanover County on Turkey Creek Commonly known by the name of Napiers Ordinary which Said land was given to my wife Ruth and to the heirs of her body lawfull begotton by her grand father Henry [At]kinson

Item after my wife Decease I give and bequeath to my **Son James** the land stock household Furniture [I] lent her

I appoint as Executors of this my last will and Testament my Sons John Norman Kidd & William Kidd

Abrogating and dissolving all former wills by me made and declaring this to be my last will and Testament in Witness whereof I have here unto Set my hand and Seal this 11th Day of March one Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty five

Joseph Kidd [John Kidd – see note above]

Signed and Sealed

in presence of: John Wharton

Edw[Edward] X Kearsey

Benj.[Benjamin] X Kidd

At Albemarle September Court 1785 –

This will was proved by the Oath of John Wharton, Edward Kearsey & Benjamin Kidd, three witnesses thereto and Ord[Ordered] to be Recorded

Test

Martin D[indecipherable]

1787-1792 – A **James Kidd** first appears on the Albemarle County VA PPTLs in 1787 (1782 was the first year for which these tax lists are available). He appears annually through 1792 (no PPTLs are extant for 1788 & 1789), then drops from the list for 3 years.

1788 – On 17 Jan 1788, **James Kidd** was a witness to the will of Benjamin Hensley in Albemarle County. Executors were named as Benjamin's son Samuel Hensley and Lawrence Suddart[h]. Witnesses were **James Kidd**, J/Throt [Jno?] Suddarth, William Shewmaker and Julius Galding. Benjamin Hensley signed with a mark.<sup>114</sup> The will was proved in Court on 9 October 1788.

1789 – A **James Kidd** appears on a list of Insolvents in Albemarle County in this year.<sup>115</sup>

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<sup>114</sup> *Will abstracts of Albemarle County, Virginia, 1785-1798*, abstracted by Lydia Sparacio Bontempo; indexing by Alex Sparacio Dickman, Springfield, Va., Antient Press, 2002, p. 39, citing Albemarle County Will Book 4, page 51. Also cited and abstracted in the book by Estelle King (see Secondary Sources).

<sup>115</sup> *The Virginia Genealogist*, 19:192, 1975.

- 1790 – **James Kidd** and Lucy Jopling obtained a marriage bond in Albemarle County on 29 December 1790. Bondsman was Michael Thomas; the witness was Cary M. Carter. Lucy gives her own consent; witnesses to her consent were Daniel Jopling and **John Kidd**.<sup>116</sup> [This John Kidd is likely John Norman Kidd, brother to James Kidd.]
- 1792 – On 13 June 1792, John Kidd [likely John Norman Kidd, brother to James Kidd] was one of the witnesses to a deed in which Michael Thomas Senr. conveyed to Michael Thomas Junr., both of Albemarle County, a tract of 200 acres on Hog Creek for 5 shillings. Other witnesses were Joseph Thomas, Jno. Kearsey, Benjamin Harris, and Philip Gooch.<sup>117</sup> On the same day, **James Kidd** was one of the witnesses to a deed between Michael Thomas and his apparent son Joseph Thomas, both of Albemarle County, in which Michael Thomas conveyed for 5 shillings, a tract of 200 acres adjacent to Michael Thomas Junr. Other witnesses were Gdn [Gideon?] Crew, Jno. Kearsey, Michael Thomas [likely Jr], Ben Harris and Philip Gooch.<sup>118</sup>
- 1796 – On 31 March 1796, **James Kidd** was one of the witnesses to an Albemarle County deed from Mary Bailey to William Bailey. The other witnesses to this deed were Daniel Ferguson and Michael Thomas.<sup>119</sup>
- 1796-1799 – **James Kidd** reappears on the Albemarle County PPTLs in 1796 and appears annually through 1799. Following this, no adult James Kidd appears in Albemarle County records through 1850.
- 1797 – Records of the Albemarle County Court on 3 July 1797 include the following entry: William Elsom is appointed Surveyor of the Road from the top of the green mountain where the Irish Road comes into the Green Mountain Road to the River at Michael Thomas's with the following gang to keep the same in repair to wit, Henry Bailey, Michael Thomas, **James Kidd**, Ralph Thomas, the hands of widow Thomas, James Jopling, John Carrel, Francis Grady, John Pore, William Bailey, Richard Farrar, Michael Thomas Sr., Daniel Jopling, and the hands of the said William Elsom.<sup>120</sup>
- 1800, ff. – James Kidd moved to Amherst County by 1800, to that portion which later became Nelson County, and died in Nelson County ca 1835.

**See our Nelson County compilation for all the records we found for this James Kidd.**

**JOHN KIDDs** – There are at least **eight** John Kidds found in Albemarle County records between the founding of the county in 1744 and 1850.

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<sup>116</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt & T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, p. 187. This John Kidd married Lucy Melton in Albemarle County in 1792, and moved to Franklin County, Virginia by 1802. He remained there until his death in 1862. See the Franklin County compilation for more details.

<sup>117</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Deeds, 1791-1793*, edited and published by Ruth and Sam Sparacio, Antient Press, McLean, VA, 1997, p. 50.

<sup>118</sup> *ibid*, pp. 49-50.

<sup>119</sup> *Deed Abstracts of Albemarle County, Virginia, 1796-1797*, edited and published by Ruth and Sam Sparacio, Antient Press, McLean, VA, 1999, p. 90, citing Albemarle DB 12 1795-1798, p. 51.

<sup>120</sup> *Albemarle County road orders, 1783-1816*, by Nathaniel Mason Pawlett, Virginia Highway & Transportation Research Council, Salt Lake City, Utah, 2015, page 67, citing Albemarle County Court Order Book 1795-1798, page 345,

We list them here in chronological order of their appearance in Albemarle County, along with the years in which they appear in Albemarle County records:

1. John<sup>3b</sup> Kidd (~1708-1785), son of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd and his wife Margaret
2. John Norman Kidd (1758-1795, the son of John<sup>3</sup> Kidd and Ruth Parish/Farish
3. John Kidd of Franklin County, VA
4. John Kidd, 1809-1810
5. John Kidd, 1834-1841
6. John W. Kidd (~1805- ~1867), brother of Pleasant E. Kidd
7. John M. Kidd, 1850
8. John M. Kidd, son of John W.

**JOHN<sup>3b</sup><sup>121</sup> KIDD**, the son of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd and his wife Margaret (maiden name unknown) of Middlesex County VA

**John<sup>3b</sup> (William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**

**Born in 1707/1708 in Middlesex County**

**Married Ruth Parish/Farish by 1749, most likely in Goochland County**

**Died testate in Albemarle County in 1785**

**His will names his wife Ruth and their three sons John Norman, William, and James. If there were daughters, their names are not known.**

1708 – **John Kidd**, the son of William and Margaret Kidd, was baptized 27 February 1707/1708 in Christ Church Parish, Middlesex County, VA.<sup>122</sup>

By 1749 – **John Kidd** had married Ruth Parish/Farish, daughter of Henry Parish, by 1749, likely in Goochland County. On 19 September 1749, Henry Parish of St. James Parish in Goochland County VA, “for the love, good will and affection I have and do bear towards my loving son-in-law **John Kidd** of the same parish and county...do give to him and his heirs forever...a tract of land containing 50 acres...”<sup>123</sup>

Given that John would have been over 40 years old at this time, it is possible that this was his second marriage, but we’ve found no records to prove a first wife.

1752 – An Albemarle County land survey, dated 18 March 1752, was conducted for **John Kidd**, containing 95 acres on south branches of the Rivanna River in the fork of the James River. [Bounded] by Thomas Jefferson, Edward Pye Chamberlayne, John Payne and Co., and George Payne.<sup>124</sup>

1756 – An Albemarle County survey, dated 19 March 1756, was conducted for **John Kidd**. The parcel contained 80 acres on the Rivanna River on Roundabout Creek. It was bounded by John Smith, William Melton, Miles Cary, Thomas Applebury, and Henry Martin.

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<sup>121</sup> Each of Thomas<sup>1</sup> Kidd’s sons, Thomas<sup>2</sup> and William<sup>2</sup>) named one of their sons John. Thomas<sup>2</sup>’s son John was born circa 1694, while William<sup>2</sup>’s son John was born in 1708. We use the designation John<sup>3a</sup> for John, son of Thomas<sup>2</sup> because he was born before John<sup>3b</sup>, the son of William<sup>2</sup>.

<sup>122</sup> Christ Church Parish, Virginia Births, 1653-1812.

<sup>123</sup> Goochland County, VA Deed Book 6, pages 27-28, retrieved from FHL # 31655, images 32-33 (unrestricted access)

<sup>124</sup> *Land lying in the county of Albemarle : Albemarle County, Virginia surveyor's plat books, volumes 1, part land 2, and volume 2, 1744-1853, [and 1892]*, by Eric G. Grundset, Fairfax, Va. : E.G. Grundset, 1998, p. 49, citing Survey Book 1, [part 1?], p. 215, abstracted by C Kilby 2007].

“Transferred from **John Kidd** to Thomas Applebury and from said Applebury to Sacheville King per order.” St. James Parish.<sup>125</sup>

[Note: This land was close to the land patented by John’s brother Aaron Kidd.]

1760 – **John Kidd** is named as a neighboring landowner in a survey dated 8 Apr 1760 made for William Melton, containing 400 acres on both sides of [Roundabout] Creek. [Bounded] by John Staples, Wilson Cary, **John Kidd**, William and Thomas Applebury, Richard Crouch, D. Johnson.<sup>126</sup>

1761 – **John Kidd** is named as a neighboring landowner in a land patent filed 14 Feb 1761 by William Melton in Albemarle County, for 334 acres on both sides of Roundabout Creek, bounded by William Applebury’s line to **John Kidd’s** line to Wilson Cary’s line to Richard Crouse’s line to Dilmus Johnson’s line, rejoining the line of Applebury.<sup>127</sup>

1772 – A **John Kidd** was one of the witnesses to a deed dated 17 January 1772 from Samuel White and Henry Williams of Albemarle County to John Lisle of the same county, for a parcel of land known as the Dry Branch Tract, lying on both sides of the road leading from Woodson's Ford. Other witnesses included Robert Pasley, William Lilly, and John Bowen.<sup>128</sup>

Before 1777 – Aron Kidd, Benjamin Kidd, **John Kidd**, Lewis Kidd, Moses Kidd and Saml Kidd were among the signers of a petition to the Virginia General Assembly for the separation of Fluvanna County from Albemarle County. Lewis Kidd and Moses Kidd appear next to each other on the list of petitioners; on the same page, but listed separately from each other, are Benjamin Kidd, Saml Kidd, **John Kidd**, and Aron Kidd. The petition language identifies the petitioners as resident in the southern part of Albemarle County, 20 to 35 miles from the courthouse, with poor mountainous roads, and two rivers and many rapid creeks to cross along the way.<sup>129</sup>

1777 – Fluvanna County was formed from Albemarle County on 5 May 1777.

Fluvanna County August 1777 Court. The several Surveyors of the Roads in this County are continued as appointed by Albemarle Court.

Ordered that the hands of Allen Cocke where Richard Bennett is overseer, hands of Robert Payne, Julius Saunders Jr., Julius Saunders Sr., Lewis Kidd, **Jno. Kidd**, Moses Kid, James Webb, Edward Rice, David Wade, hands of Jno. Harris, hands of Walter King where Jno. Key is overseer, work on the road whereof Jno. Key is Surveyor until the next court.<sup>130</sup>

A deed dated 13 Oct 1777 was filed in Fluvanna County: Bargain and Sale 13 Oct 1777: **John Kidd** and William Kidd of Fluvanna and Aaron Kidd of Albemarle to Elias Wills of Fluvanna. £For 30 current money of Virginia, 80 acres patented 30 Aug 1763, lying in Fluvanna beginning at William Martin line and Thomas Appleberry line near Roundabout

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<sup>125</sup> Ibid., p. 82, citing Survey Book 1, part 2, p. 22. Images of this plats page and of John Kidd’s survey may be viewed via familysearch.org, on FHL #2440983, image #360 of 530 (unrestricted access)..

<sup>126</sup> *Land lying in the county of Albemarle : Albemarle County, Virginia surveyor's plat books, volumes 1, part land 2, and volume 2, 1744-1853, [and 1892]*, by Eric G. Grundset, Fairfax, Va. : E.G. Grundset, 1998, p. 87, citing Survey Book 1, p. 42, abstracted by C Kilby 2007].

<sup>127</sup> William Melton, grantee, Virginia Land Office Patents database, online at Library of Virginia, Land Office Patents No. 34, 1756-1765, p. 803 (Reel 33-34). Scanned image in Albemarle County source documents.

<sup>128</sup> Albemarle County DB 5, pp. 277-278, abstracted in the Sparacio book covering this period, pp. 75-76.

<sup>129</sup> Fluvanna County Historical Society Bulletin 1:6 (reviewed by RK at Jones Memorial Library, April 2013).

<sup>130</sup> FHL #31476, Item 1, Fluvanna County OB, August 1777 – May 1779, p. 2.



Creek, running from Appleberry's line crossing the said creek to Elias Wills' line to Wilson Miles Cary's line to Benjamin Martin's corner. "With all the houses, orchards, plantation and C. thereto belonging."<sup>131</sup>

Sealed and delivered in the presence of Thomas Appleberry, William Barnett, Benjamin Martin. Signed **John Kidd** [seal], William Kidd [seal], Aaron Kidd [seal]

Fluvanna County 7 May 1778: "Proved to be the act and deed of William Kidd, **John Kidd**, and Aaron Kidd, and by the oath of Thomas Appleberry, Wm Martin, and Benj Martin witnesses these to and admitted to record. Teste: John Cobbs CC"

Note: This is the tract of land patented by Aaron Kidd in 1763 in Albemarle County and is the same tract of land that he bequeathed to his son William Kidd in his 1775 will.

However, Aaron Kidd was deceased by 1776, before this deed was filed in 1777, so why this deed bears his name is a mystery. By 1777, Aaron's son William Kidd was of legal age, with children of his own. The witnesses were neighbors of Aaron Kidd and would have known he was deceased by 1777. Moreover, in Fluvanna County Deed Book 1, Grantors Index, Aaron Kidd's name does not appear; the index lists John Kidd and William Kidd, Grantors, to Elias Wills, Grantee.

This John Kidd is very likely Aaron's brother John, but why his name is on this deed is also unknown. One possibility, not proven, is that William Kidd had already left the area and John Kidd was serving as his proxy; William Kidd patented 200 acres in southwest Virginia on a branch of the Bluestone River in 1777.<sup>132</sup> He died intestate in Tazewell County, VA by 1801.

1779 – Fluvanna Court, 2 Sept. 1779. Ordered that the hands belonging to Austin Sea[y], Stephen Clements, Benj. Lea, Robert B. Paine, Lewis Kidd, Moses Kidd, **John Kidd**, Allen Cock (on the W. River), John Harris, Richd. Chandler, Julius Sanders Senr., Julius Sanders Junr., John Rice, William Rice, Sa\_\_ville [Sacheville] King, John (Nice?), Thomas Down, Thos. Linthecum, & Thos. Appleberry work on the road whereof John Sea (Seay/Lea?) is appointed Surveyor.<sup>133</sup>

1785 – The Albemarle County will of **John Kidd** was signed 11 March 1785 and proved in court in the September 1785 term.<sup>134</sup>

[NOTE that the will bears the title "Will of John Kidd" in the record, but the name given as the signer at the bottom looks like "Joseph Kidd," according to the transcription. We believe that this was a clerk's error in recording the will in Will Book 3.]

In the name of god, amen

I **John Kidd** of Albemarle County being in a low state of bodily health but in the full exercise of my reason so make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following

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<sup>131</sup> Fluvanna Co VA DB 1, p. 87: John Kidd and William Kidd to Elias Wills.

<sup>132</sup> *Early Adventurers on the Western Waters*, vol. 2, by F.B. Kegley and Mary Kegley

<sup>133</sup> FHL #31476, Item 2, Fluvanna County OB, June 1779- August 1782, p. 7.

<sup>134</sup> Albemarle County, VA Will Book 3, pp. 4-5, proved September 1785. Images retrieved from FHL #30212, item 2, image 256 of 433 (unrestricted access).

[indecipherable] I bequeath my body to the grave by a decent burial at the discretion of my Executors.

Item I refer that all my Just debts be paid

Item I lend to my beloved wife Ruth during her natural life the land whereon I now live together with all the stock and household Furniture

Item I give to my two Eldest Sons John Norman and William to be equally [divided] between them one Certain Tract or Parcel of Land lying in Hanover County on Turkey Creek Commonly known by the name of Napiers Ordinary which Said land was given to my wife Ruth and to the heirs of her body lawfull begotton by her grandfather Henry [At]kinson

Item after my wife Decease I give and bequeath to my Son James the land stock household Furniture [I] lent her

I appoint as Executors of this my last will and Testament my Sons John Norman Kidd & William Kidd

Abrogating and dissolving all former wills by me made and declaring this to be my last will and Testament in Witness whereof I have here unto Set my hand and Seal this 11th Day of March one Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty five

Joseph Kidd [**John Kidd** – see note above]

Signed and Sealed

in presence of: John Wharton

Edw[Edward] X Kearsey

Benj.[Benjamin] X Kidd

At Albemarle September Court 1785 –

This will was proved by the Oath of John Wharton, Edward Kearsey & Benjamin Kidd, three witnesses thereto and Ord[Ordered] to be Recorded

Test

Martin D[indecipherable]

**JOHN NORMAN KIDD**, the son of John<sup>3</sup> Kidd and Ruth Parish/Farish

**John Norman<sup>4</sup> (John<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**

**Born in 1758 in Albemarle or Goochland County**

**Married Juriah (maiden name unknown)**

**Died testate in Amherst County in 1795**

**His will names his wife and two daughters. He appears to have had no sons.**

1758 – On 19 Sept 1758, **Norman Kidd**, son of John Kid and Ruth Parish, was born. He was baptized 15 Oct 1758 by the Rev. William Douglas, in St. James Northam Parish, Goochland County.<sup>135</sup>

1780 – **J<sup>no</sup> N. Kidd** is among the men who was enlisted in the Revolutionary War at Chesterfield County VA after 1 Sept 1780. His age was not given, but his occupation was given as shoemaker, and his place of birth and his residence both given as Albemarle County. His

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<sup>135</sup> *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 53 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

physical appearance was described as: hair light brown, eyes gray, and complexion fair. He was enlisted 18 September 1780 for a period of 1 year, 6 months.<sup>136 137</sup>

Note: The occupation of shoemaker is interesting, because several other Kidds in Amherst and Nelson Counties shared this profession: Floyd L. Kidd, the son of Alexander Kidd Sr.; Wilson P. Kidd, the son of Joseph Kidd; and Arnold Kidd of Amherst County.

1782-1784 – **John Norman Kidd** appears on the Albemarle County PPTLs from 1782 (the first year for which these records are available) through 1784:

1782 – **Norman Kidd**

1783 – **John N. Kidd**

1784 – **John Norman Kidd**

1785 – **John Norman Kidd** is named in the Albemarle County will of his father John Kidd, signed 11 March 1785 and proved in court in the September 1785 term.<sup>138</sup>

[Note: The will bears the title "Will of John Kidd" in the record, but the name given as the signer at the bottom looks like "Joseph Kidd," according to the transcription. We believe that this was a clerk's error in recording the will in Will Book 5.]

In the name of god, amen

I John Kidd of Albemarle County being in a low state of bodily health but in the full exercise of my reason so make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following [indecipherable] I bequeath my body to the grave by a decent burial at the discretion of my Executors.

Item I refer that all my Just debts be paid

Item I lend to my beloved wife Ruth during her natural life the land whereon I now live together with all the stock and household Furniture

Item I give to my **two Eldest Sons John Norman** and William to be equally [divided] between them one Certain Tract or Parcel of Land lying in Hanover County on Turkey Creek Commonly known by the name of Napiers Ordinary which Said land was given to my wife Ruth and to the heirs of her body lawfull begotton by her grand father Henry [At]kinson

Item after my wife Decease I give and bequeath to my Son James the land stock household Furniture [I] lent her

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<sup>136</sup> Two Kidds—William Kidd of Essex County and John N. Kidd of Albemarle County--are named in the transcription of "The Chesterfield Size Roll: Soldiers Who Entered the Continental Line of Virginia at Chesterfield Courthouse after 1 September 1780," transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris, Library of Virginia accession 23816. Roll of troops who joined at Chesterfield Courthouse since 1780. Transcribed from bound photocopies. Revised 23 May 2012. For the full transcription and more information about how this list was compiled, see <http://revwarapps.org/b69.pdf>

<sup>137</sup> "The Chesterfield Supplement: Some Revolutionary War soldiers who enlisted at Chesterfield Virginia after 1 September 1780," *Virginia Genealogical Society Quarterly*, October 1966, Vol. 4, No. 4, p. 77. Only John N. Kidd is included in the *Quarterly* article, and only information listed is place of birth and residence, both given as Albemarle County.

<sup>138</sup> Albemarle County, VA Will Book 3, pp. 4-5, proved September 1785. Images retrieved from FHL #30212, item 2, image 256 of 433 (unrestricted access).

I appoint as Executors of this my last will and Testament my Sons **John Norman Kidd & William Kidd**

Abrogating and dissolving all former wills by me made and declaring this to be my last will and Testament in Witness whereof I have here unto Set my hand and Seal this 11th Day of March one Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty five

Joseph Kidd [John Kidd – see note above]

Signed and Sealed  
in presence of: John Wharton  
Edw[Edward] X Kearsey  
Benj.[Benjamin] X Kidd

At Albemarle September Court 1785 –

This will was proved by the Oath of John Wharton, Edward Kearsey & Benjamin Kidd, three witnesses thereto and Ord[Ordered] to be Recorded

Test

Martin D[indecipherable]

Note: Whether John Norman Kidd and William Kidd took possession of the Hanover County land of their grandfather Henry Atkinson is not known. We’ve searched the Hanover County Land Tax Lists from 1783 through 1796 and find no record of them being taxed on any land there.<sup>139</sup> We have found no Hanover County deeds for either of them selling the land they inherited from their grandfather.

1785 – The following Kidds appeared on the Albemarle County “List of Inhabitants” of 1785:<sup>140</sup>

Owner's Name	No. White Souls	No. dwelling houses	Out Houses	Slave cabins	Mills	Image #
Benjamin Kidd	2	1	0	0	0	31
<b>Jno. Norman Kidd</b>	1	1	0	0	0	31
Wm Kidd	2	1	0	0	0	31
Duet (sic) Kidd	9	1	0	0	0	31
Moses Kidd	9	1	0	0	0	31

In the October 1785 term of Fluvanna County Court:

On the motion of **John Norman Kidd**, a witness for Thomas Devard and Thomas Appleberry at the suit of Richard Blanks assignee etc, the court ordered that Devard and Appleberry pay him 581 lb of tobacco for five days attendance at this court and once coming

<sup>139</sup> *Hanover County, Virginia Land Tax Books*, compiled and edited by Ruth and Sam Sparacio, Antient Press, 1997:  
v.1 1782-1788 (p. 1-97 of land tax book, 1782-1801),  
v. 2 1789-1793 (p. 98-209 of land tax book, 1782-1801)  
v. 3 1793-1796 (p. 210-311 of land tax book, 1782-1801)  
ALL at LoV, F232.H24 S72

<sup>140</sup> See FHL #1854091, List of Inhabitants, Albemarle County, 1785, image 31. Sometimes called “Heads of Families,” these lists were special supplementary enumerations mandated by the Virginia State Assembly, distinct from the annual County PPTLs and LTLs.

26 miles from Albemarle County and returning and twice coming 24 miles from the county of Amherst and returning as the law directs.<sup>141</sup>

In 1785, the year of their father John's death, **John Norman Kidd** drops from the Albemarle County PPTLs and appears in the Amherst County PPTLs alongside a William Kidd, likely his brother, starting in 1786.

1795 – The will of **Jno. Norman Kidd**, signed 9 February 1795 and proven 20 July 1795 in Amherst County,<sup>142 143</sup> names his wife Juriah Kidd and his daughters Amy/Anney Kidd and Ruth Kidd. He named his wife Juriah and his brother William Kidd his executrix and executor. Witnesses were Tillman Walton, Mary Mills, & Obedience Kidd.<sup>144</sup>

[Note: Whether the Obedience Kidd who witnessed this will was related to John Norman Kidd is unknown.]

This will is followed in the Amherst County Will Book by an Executor's Bond for Juriah Kidd in the sum of £100; her securities were John Newman and William Wood.

1810 – Juriah Kidd appears on the 1810 Nelson County census; her household includes no males and 1F 26-44 and 1F>44, representing Juriah and likely their daughter Ruth.

### **JOHN KIDD of Franklin County VA, parents unknown**

**Born about 1768<sup>145</sup> in Virginia**

**Married Lucy Melton, daughter of William Melton, in Albemarle County in 1792**

**In Franklin County VA by 1802,<sup>146</sup> where he lived on Turkeycock Mountain**

**Died in Franklin County in 1862 at the age of 94**

The father of this John Kidd has not been identified, though John has some connection to other Albemarle County Kidds. William Melton of Albemarle County, John's father-in-law, was the neighbor of John Kidd and Aaron Kidd on Roundabout Creek in Albemarle County. This John Kidd, however, is not a son of Aaron Kidd or John Kidd of Albemarle County. Both men left wills: Aaron Kidd had no son named John, while John Kidd's son John was named John Norman Kidd and died in 1795 in Amherst County.

Descendants of John Kidd of Franklin County who are in the Kidd Y-DNA project are close Y-DNA matches to other proven descendants of Thomas Kidd1 of Middlesex County, including descendants of Aaron Kidd and other Kidds in central Virginia. However, Y-DNA results alone cannot confirm the father of John Kidd.

1790 – A **John Kidd** appears in the Albemarle County PPTLs in 1790, paying a tithe for himself and for William Kidd, whose relationship to him is not known. [Note: This is not John Norman Kidd, who is living in Amherst County in 1790.]  
He does not appear on the PPTLs in 1791 or 1792.

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<sup>141</sup> Fluvanna County Order Book, 1783-1791, p. 225 (from FHL #31476, reviewed by RK at the Bellevue, WA FHC on 7/2/2013).

<sup>142</sup> Amherst County VA Will Book 3, pp. 339-341.<sup>142</sup>

<sup>143</sup> Amherst County Will Book 3, pp. 339-340

<sup>144</sup> *The wills of Amherst county Virginia, 1761-1865*, by Rev. Bailey Fulton Davis, 1985 (reprinted 1998), p. 205.

<sup>145</sup> This estimated year of birth is based upon his appearance on the Albemarle PPTLs in 1790 (when he had turned 21 years of age) and on his listed age (94) at the time of his death in 1862 in Franklin County.

<sup>146</sup> He appears on the Franklin County, Virginia PPTLs in this year for the first time.

- 1792 – A marriage bond was granted on 2 May 1792 in Albemarle County to **John Kidd** for his marriage to Lucy Melton.<sup>147</sup> Another transcription of this record states that the bondsman was William Melton and the witness Joshua Nicholas.<sup>148</sup>
- 1793-1800 – **John Kidd** reappears on the Albemarle County PPTLs in 1793 and appears annually after that through 1800. In 1799, for the first time, two John Kidds appear, with no notations to distinguish between them. The second John Kidd is not found on the 1800 Albemarle County PPTL and no John Kidd is found in 1801 or for eight years thereafter.
- By 1802, John Kidd moved to Franklin County, VA. He lived in Franklin County on Turkeycock Mountain for the remainder of his life, dying there in 1862.
- 1802-1850 – **John Kidd** appears on the Franklin County PPTLs for the first time in 1802, and continues to be listed annually there through 1850, the last year that we have checked.
- 1805 – On 1 March 1805, Robert Innes of Franklin County sold to **John Kidd** (residence not stated) for £40 a parcel of land in Franklin County on the waters of Crabtree Fork of Snow Creek, containing 145 acres. The deed was admitted to record on 1 April 1805.<sup>149</sup>
- 1806 – Franklin County September Court 1806. **John Kidd** appointed surveyor of the road from John Napier's to Sterling Cooper's with the allotment of hands.<sup>150</sup>
- 1808 – On 26 August 1808, a Franklin County marriage bond for the marriage of Landon Bishop to Polly Haislip was issued. The surety for the bond was **John Kidd**. The marriage was performed by John Ashworth.<sup>151</sup>
- 1809 – **John Kidd** served as a juror in Franklin County Court in the March and July terms.<sup>152</sup>
- 1810 – Franklin County January Term 1810. **John Kidd** v. Joseph Bishop. Defendant not appearing, judgment for Plaintiff according to Specialty, & costs.<sup>153</sup>
- March 1810 term. **John Kidd** served as a juror in Franklin County Court.<sup>154</sup>
- June 1810 term. John Cook v. **John Kidd**. Defendant being examined on oath says that he owes John Cook nothing.<sup>155</sup>
- On the 1810 federal census in Franklin County, Virginia, page 320:  
**John Kidd**: 2FWM<10 & 1 26-44; 1F<10, 2 10-15, 1 16-25 and 1 26-44

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<sup>147</sup> *Some Virginia Marriages, 1700-1799*, compiled by Cecil McDonald Jr., vol. 7, p. 9.

<sup>148</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt & T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, p. 187.

<sup>149</sup> Franklin County DB 5, p. 65. Scanned image on file.

<sup>150</sup> Franklin County, Virginia Order Book, 1806-1811, page 64, retrieved from FHL #31516, image 365.

<sup>151</sup> *Marriage bonds of Franklin County, Virginia, 1786-1858 Transcribed from the original records, annotated and alphabetically arranged*, by Marshall Wingfield, published by the West Tennessee Historical Society, 1939, reprinted by Virginia Book Co., 1967, p. 36.

<sup>152</sup> Franklin County, Virginia Order Book, 1806-1811, pages 259 and 282, retrieved from FHL #31516, images 462 and 474, respectively.

<sup>153</sup> Franklin County, Virginia Order Book, 1806-1811, page 329, retrieved from FHL #31516, image 497.

<sup>154</sup> Franklin County, Virginia Order Book, 1806-1811, page 339, retrieved from FHL #31516, image 502.

<sup>155</sup> Franklin County, Virginia Order Book, 1806-1811, page 352, retrieved from FHL #31516, image 509.

- 1811 – **John Kidd** again served as a juror in Franklin County Court in the June and August Terms.<sup>156</sup>
- 1812 – At the February 1812 Court, **John Kidd** was appointed surveyor of the road from William Hawkins' gate to the Baptist meeting house with the allotment of hands filed.<sup>157</sup>
- March 1812 term. **John Kidd** served as a juror in Franklin County Court.<sup>158</sup>
- Franklin County September 1812 Term. An unusual court order in which **John Kidd** was one of seven men who came into court and acknowledged themselves to be indebted to the Governor for \$100 each, to be levied from their property, goods and chattels, unless they personally appear at the October 15 session of Franklin County Superior Court to “give evidence touching the offense wherewith Samuel Brown stands charged...”<sup>159</sup>
- 1813 – March 1813 term. **John Kidd** served as a juror in Franklin County Court.<sup>160</sup>
- 1815 – June 1815 term. **John Kidd** was paid \$3.00 by the court for the hire of a wagon and team ox cart for one day.<sup>161</sup>
- 1817 – On 6 January 1817, a marriage bond for the marriage of Wm. Wingfield and Polly Brooks Tench was issued in Franklin County. The surety for this bond was **John Kidd**.<sup>162</sup>
- 1817-1822 – The Franklin County Order Book covering these years is available but has not been indexed; for this reason, our compilation does not contain any mentions of John Kidd (or any other Kidds) during this period, if indeed any occurred.
- 1819 – On 23 April 1819, Francis Cooper signed a Deed of Trust to Thomas S. Keen and **John Kidd**, to secure the payment of a debt of \$400.94 owed by Cooper to Pleasant Dickenson and a debt of \$795 owed to Sterling Cooper Jr., using a parcel of 300 acres of land on the Grassy Fork of Snow Creek, livestock, and personal property as collateral.<sup>163</sup>
- 1820 – On the federal census in Franklin County, Virginia, page 153: (this census list is in alphabetical order by first letter of last name, so no conclusions can be drawn as to neighbors):  
**John Kidd**: 2FWM<10, 1 10-15, 1 16-25 & 1>44; 1F 10-15, 2 16-25 & 1>44. Four people engaged in agriculture.

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<sup>156</sup> Franklin County, Virginia Order Book, 1806-1811, pages 441 and 458, retrieved from FHL #31516, images 553 and 562 respectively.

<sup>157</sup> Franklin County, Virginia Order Book, 1811-1817, page 28, retrieved from FHL #31517, image 98.

<sup>158</sup> Franklin County, Virginia Order Book, 1811-1817, pages 34, 36, 39, 41, retrieved from FHL #31517.

<sup>159</sup> Franklin County, Virginia Order Book, 1811-1817, page 85, retrieved from FHL #31517, image 126.

<sup>160</sup> Franklin County, Virginia Order Book, 1811-1817, page 120, retrieved from FHL #31517, image 144.

<sup>161</sup> Franklin County, Virginia Order Book, 1811-1817, page 262, retrieved from FHL #31517, image 215.

<sup>162</sup> *Marriage bonds of Franklin County, Virginia, 1786-1858 Transcribed from the original records, annotated and alphabetically arranged*, by Marshall Wingfield, published by the West Tennessee Historical Society, 1939, reprinted by Virginia Book Co., 1967, p. 244.

<sup>163</sup> Franklin County DB 8, pp. 450-452, retrieved from FHL #31499, item 2, images 586-587; scanned images on file.

1822 – On 30 December 1822, a Franklin County marriage bond for the marriage of Carter Terry and Tabitha Kidd, daughter of **John Kidd**, was issued. Sur. Chas Hunt.<sup>164</sup>

1823 – May 1823 term. **John Kidd** was paid for services as one of the surveyors of the roads. (Two days service, paid fifty cents).<sup>165</sup>

June 1823 term. The Court doth appoint the following persons as Constables in this County, to wit: In the Snow Creek district – Andrew Brooks, **John Kidd** and Stephen English Jr....<sup>166</sup>

June 1823 term. **John Kidd** and the other men appointed Constables came into Court and gave bond and security according to law, and qualified by taking the oath of office, the oath of Fidelity, the oath against dueling, and the oath to support the Constitution of the United States.<sup>167</sup>

August 1823 term. **John Kidd** served as a juror in Franklin County Court.<sup>168</sup>

Franklin County October Court 1823. Ordered that Peter C Stockton, Zachariah (Finney?), John Cook and **John Kidd** or any three of them do appraise the slaves if any and personal estate of Richard Mitchell dec'd, and return the appraisement to Court.<sup>169</sup>

A **John Kidd** was one of the witnesses to the Inventory of the estate of John Kemp Jr, dated 12 December 1823, recorded 2 Feb 1824 in Franklin County.<sup>170</sup>

1824 – March 1824 term. **John Kidd** served as a juror in Franklin County Court.<sup>171</sup>

On 7 June 1824, **John Kidd** of Franklin County purchased from commissioners appointed by the court a parcel of land belonging to the estate of Joshua Brock, dec'd, containing 50 acres and lying on both sides of the Grassy Fork of Snow Creek for the sum of \$40, on one, two and three years credit. The land was bordered by John Pinkard and others. The deed was admitted to record the same day on 7 June 1824.<sup>172</sup>

1824-1828 – The Franklin County Order Book covering these years is available, but has not been indexed; for this reason, our compilation does not contain any mentions of John Kidd (or anyone else) during this period.

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<sup>164</sup> *Marriage bonds of Franklin County, Virginia, 1786-1858 Transcribed from the original records, annotated and alphabetically arranged*, by Marshall Wingfield, published by the West Tennessee Historical Society, 1939, reprinted by Virginia Book Co., 1967, p. 222.

<sup>165</sup> Franklin County, Virginia Order Book, 1822-1835, page 128, retrieved from FHL #31518.

<sup>166</sup> Franklin County, Virginia Order Book, 1822-1835, page 145, retrieved from FHL #31518, image 146.

<sup>167</sup> *Ibid*, page 148 (image 148).

<sup>168</sup> *Ibid*, page 181 (image 164).

<sup>169</sup> *Ibid*, page 203 (image 175).

<sup>170</sup> *Franklin County, Virginia will book 2, 1812-1825*, by Barbara Crumpton, Creative Copies, Duncan, OK, 1999, citing Franklin County Deed Book 2, p 582.

<sup>171</sup> *Ibid*, page 269 (image 209).

<sup>172</sup> Franklin County, Virginia Deed Book 11, pp. 409-410, retrieved from FHL #31501, item 1, images 235-236. Scanned images available on file.



1830 – on the federal census in Franklin County, Virginia, page 74 (this census list is in alphabetical order by first letter of last name, so no conclusions can be drawn as to neighbors):

**John Kid** (sic): 1FMW 50-59; 2F 20-29 & 1 40-49. Four slaves.

1831 – On 2 April 1831, William Carmickel and Elizabeth his wife of Franklin County sold to **John Kidd**, also of Franklin County for \$130 a tract of land containing 100 acres and on the waters of Pig River, bounded by lands of John Huff, Jacob Huff, Robert Jones and Fleming Jones. The deed was proven in Court and recorded on 4 April 1831.<sup>173</sup>

On 5 July 1831, **John Kidd** received a patent for a parcel of 193 acres on the waters of Snow Creek in Franklin County, VA. This parcel was adjacent to Pinkard, and to John Kidd's "old line," suggesting that he owned an adjoining tract at this time.<sup>174</sup>

On 15 July 1831, **John Kidd** gave an affidavit in a Chancery Court Case in Franklin County.<sup>175</sup>

1832 – June 1832 term. **John Kidd** served as a juror in Franklin County Court.<sup>176</sup>

June 1833 term. **John Kidd** was paid \$2.10 for his service as a surveyor of the roads for 3 days, plus 2 sign boards.<sup>177</sup>

1835 – August 1835 term. **John Kidd** was paid \$2.50 for his service as surveyor of the roads for 3 days, plus 2 sign boards.<sup>178</sup>

1836-1850 – The Franklin County, Virginia Order Book covering these years is available, but has not been indexed; for this reason, our compilation does not contain any mentions of John Kidd (or anyone else) during this period.

1836-1838 – The Franklin County Court Clerk's Minute Book, 3 April 1836 to 4 May 1840, has been abstracted<sup>179</sup> and contains five mentions of John Kidd:

On 6 March 1836, **John Kidd** was appointed to supervise the election "at Snow Creek"<sup>180</sup>

On 7 March 1836, he was appointed a Commissioner by the court.<sup>181</sup>

Also on 7 March 1836, **John Kidd** served as a juror.<sup>182</sup>

On 8 March 1836, **John Kidd** served as a juror.<sup>183</sup>

On 8 August 1838, **John Kidd** was appointed to view a road.<sup>184</sup>

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<sup>173</sup> Franklin County, Virginia Deed Book 13, pp. 160-161, retrieved from FHL #31502, item 1, images 95-96. Scanned images on file.

<sup>174</sup> Virginia Land Office Grants No. 79, 1830-1831 (Reel 145), p 590, retrieved online from the Library of Virginia's online database of Land Office Grants. Scanned image available, in Franklin County folder on Dropbox.

<sup>175</sup> [https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=067-1839-031](https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=067-1839-031), image 23 of 28.

<sup>176</sup> Franklin County, Virginia Order Book, 1822-1835, page 215, retrieved from FHL #31518, image 641.

<sup>177</sup> Ibid, page 311 (image 689).

<sup>178</sup> Ibid, page 494 (image 782).

<sup>179</sup> *Franklin County Court records as found in the Rocky Mount, Virginia Courthouse, 1836-1840*, by Beverly Merritt, B & C Publ. Co., Henry, VA, 1998. (Court Clerk's minute books, April 3, 1836 - May 4, 1840).

<sup>180</sup> Ibid, citing MB page 86.

<sup>181</sup> Ibid, citing MB page 9.

<sup>182</sup> Ibid, citing MB page 91.

<sup>183</sup> Ibid, citing MB page 92.

<sup>184</sup> Ibid, citing MB page 199.

1840 – on the federal census in Franklin County, Virginia:

**John Ked:** 1FMW<5, 1 15-19, & 1 50-59; 1F 30-39& 1 50-59. Four slaves.

Also on this census for the first time is his son Elisha Kidd.

On 18 November 1840, John Pinchard/Pinckard and Mary his wife of Franklin County, VA sold to **John Kidd** a tract of land in Franklin County adjoining James Meredith, Charles Hunt and George Cooper containing 72¼ acres for the sum of \$180.37. This deed was proved in Court and ordered to be recorded on 3 May 1841.<sup>185</sup>

1845 – On 26 December 1845, **John Kidd** and Lucy his wife of Franklin County sold to Fleming Jones of the same place a parcel of land in Franklin County on the waters of the Pig River adjoining Fleming Jones, Sophrona Hill and others for the sum of \$100. This deed was proved in Court and ordered to be recorded on 19 May 1846. John Kidd signed this deed, and Lucy signed with an X.<sup>186</sup>

1846 – On 25 April 1846, James Brewer and Polly his wife of Franklin County sold to **John Kidd** of the same place for \$437.50 a parcel of land lying on both sides of Crabtree Creek, a branch of Snow Creek, and adjacent to Kidd's old line and William Brewer, containing by recent survey 211 acres more or less. This deed was proved in Court and ordered to be recorded on 13 May 1846.<sup>187</sup>

1847 – **John Kidd** gave a deposition in a Chancery Court case in Franklin County on 5 October 1847.<sup>188</sup>

1850 – on the federal census in Franklin County, Virginia, page 171, HH 1639/1633:

**John Kidd** 80WM farmer \$1500 VA

Lucy Kidd 76FW VA

Jane Kidd 50FW VA

**John Kidd** is listed as a slaveholder on the 1850 federal census, with 8 slaves: females aged 50, 40, 23, 8, 6, and 6 months, and males aged 23 and 11.

1855 – In Jan 1855, Bob, a male slave owned by **John Kidd**, was born.<sup>189</sup>

1856 - In May 1856, James, a male slave owned by **John Kidd**, was born. His mother was Lucy.<sup>190</sup>

1857 – In May 1857, James, a male slave belonging to **John Kidd**, died in Franklin County.<sup>191</sup>

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<sup>185</sup> Franklin County Deed Book 17, pages 90-91, retrieved from FHL #31504 via familysearch.org (no restrictions), image 59.

<sup>186</sup> Franklin County Deed Book 19, pages 301-302, retrieved from FHL #31505, via familysearch.org (no restrictions), images 169-170.

<sup>187</sup> Franklin County Deed Book 19, pages 303-304, retrieved from FHL #31505, via familysearch.org (no restrictions), images 170-171.

<sup>188</sup> [https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=067-1847-029](https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=067-1847-029), images 21-22 of 78, viewable online.

<sup>189</sup> *Franklin County, Virginia Birth Records, 1853-1870*, transcribed by Beverly Merritt, J & J Publications, Ferrum, Virginia, 2001, page 22.

<sup>190</sup> *Franklin County, Virginia Birth Records, 1853-1870*, transcribed by Beverly Merritt, J & J Publications, Ferrum, Virginia, 2001, page 44.

<sup>191</sup> *Franklin County birth and death records, 1855-1862*, by Beverly Merritt, Ferrum, Virginia, 2002, volume 1, 1786-1853, page 20.

1860 – On Jan 11 (year not certain, appears to be 1860), an unnamed male slave was born to Lucy, who belonged to **John Kidd**.<sup>192</sup>

On the 1860 federal census in the southwest district of Franklin County, Virginia, p. 154, HH 1100/1100:

**Jno. Kidd** 89MW farmer \$1500/8500

Jenny Kidd 61FW

Nancy Manning 89FW

(nearby is Benjamin F. Kidd, the son of Jane/Jenny Kidd)

**John Kidd** is listed as a slaveholder on the 1860 federal census, with 11 slaves: females aged 65, 45, 30, 17, 14, and 5 months, and males aged 20, 12, 8, 7, and 5.

1861 – On Dec 1, 1860, Lucy, a female slave belonging to **Jno. H. Kidd**, died in Franklin County of fever.<sup>193</sup> [Note: this is the only record found for John Kidd giving a middle initial H.]

1862 – In 1862 (date not recorded), five slaves belonging to **John Kidd** died in Franklin County:<sup>194</sup>

Hannah, a female slave aged 60

Mary, a female slave aged 40

Lucy, a female slave aged 34

Charles, a male slave aged 14

Anna, a female slave aged 10

On September 10, 1862, Thomas, a 4-year-old black male belonging to **John Kidd**, dec'd, died.<sup>195</sup>

**John Kidd** died intestate on 1 December 1862 in Franklin County, VA, at the age of 94.<sup>196</sup>

This record states that he died of “fever” and lists his birthplace (incorrectly) as Franklin County, his occupation as ‘farmer,’ and his marital status as ‘unmarried’ (in this case, signifying that he was widowed). The informant for this record was S. Stockden/Stockton, named as “friend” (rather than a family member).

John Kidd’s death of fever in 1862, along with the deaths of a number of his slaves that same year, suggest an epidemic of some type hit his household.

1863 – At the January 1863 Court for Franklin County, William Pinckard was granted letters of administration for the estate of **John Kidd, dec'd**, and Thomas S. Keen, Robert Prunty, Wesley F--- (illegible), Benjamin F. Belcher and Benjamin Pinckard or any three of them

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<sup>192</sup> *Franklin County, Virginia Birth Records, 1853-1870*, transcribed by Beverly Merritt, J & J Publications, Ferrum, Virginia, 2001, page 68.

<sup>193</sup> *Franklin County, Virginia Birth Records, 1853-1870*, transcribed by Beverly Merritt, J & J Publications, Ferrum, Virginia, 2001, page 61.

<sup>194</sup> *Franklin County birth and death records, 1855-1862*, by Beverly Merritt, Ferrum, Virginia, 2002, volume 1, 1786-1853, pages 101-102.

<sup>195</sup> *Franklin County birth and death records, 1855-1862*, by Beverly Merritt, Ferrum, Virginia, 2002, volume 1, 1786-1853, page 115.

<sup>196</sup> Virginia, Deaths and Burials, 1853-1916, on Familysearch.org. Image retrieved from FHL #31524, Franklin County Death Register, 1853-1871, p. 50 (image 390 on this reel). Image available upon request.

were ordered the personal estate of John Kidd, dec'd.<sup>197</sup> Later they returned to the court with an inventory of his estate was admitted to record in January 1863.<sup>198</sup> His heirs and his creditors fought a lengthy battle over his estate that was not concluded with a final decree until 1884.<sup>199</sup>

At his death he owned about 671 acres on Crabtree Creek and Turkey Cock Mountain, as well as personal property. On 5 January 1863, William Pinckard qualified as administrator of the personal estate of **John Kidd, dec'd.**

John Kidd and his wife Lucy are believed to be buried in the Carter-Kidd family cemetery in Snow Creek in Franklin County. There is a headstone there that says J. Kidd, with no dates.<sup>200</sup>

### **JOHN KIDD – on Albemarle County personal property tax lists in 1809-1810**

1809-1810 – A John Kidd appears on the Albemarle County PPTLs in 1809 and 1810 (no tax was collected statewide in 1808). In both years, he pays one WMT and has no slaves or horse. He then drops from Albemarle County records.

### **JOHN KIDD – on Albemarle County personal property tax lists in 1834-1841**

1834-1841 – In 1834, a John Kidd appears on the Albemarle County PPTLs. He appears annually through 1841, then drops from the lists (see Table below).

Year	Name	Tithes		
1834B	John Kidd	1 tithe, 1 adult slave, 1 young slave		
1835B	John Kidd	1 tithe, 1 horse		Geo M. Woods list
1836B	Jno Kidd	1 tithe		
1837B	Jno Kidd	1 tithe		
1838B	Jno Kidd	1 tithe		
1839B	Jno Kidd	1 tithe, 1 horse		
1840B	John Kidd	1 tithe, 1 horse		
1841B	Jno Kidd	1 tithe, 1 slave		

1840 – On the federal census in Albemarle County, VA, St. Anne's Parish:

**John Kidd** – 1WM 60-69; 1F 20-29 & 1 40-49. One in agriculture. Two of the three cannot read or write.

<sup>197</sup> Franklin County Order Book 1860-1865, p. 248, retrieved from FHL #31514, item 1, image 194 via Familysearch.org.

<sup>198</sup> Franklin County WB 12, pp. 425-427 (scanned images retrieved).

<sup>199</sup> [https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=067-1884-027](https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=067-1884-027), viewable online (121 images). Key images in this file are images 4-5 (which name his administrator and surviving heirs); image 53 (1869 letter from John Kidd's son George, and subsequent notice of the death of this George Kidd in 1870); image 94 (providing a list of land parcels owned by John Kidd at the time of his death.)

<sup>200</sup> See Findagrave.com. The other Kidd that is buried there is John's grandson Benjamin F. Kidd (1830-1862).

**JOHN W. KIDD, the brother of Pleasant E. Kidd**

**Born ca 1805, likely in Albemarle County, parents not known**

**Married Margaret McClure in 1834 in Nelson County**

**Blacksmith by profession**

**Died abt 1866 in Albemarle County**

1826 – An Albemarle County marriage bond was issued to Mary Ann Kidd and George Wood on 27 November 1826. They were married on 29 November 1826 by John Shepherd, minister.<sup>201</sup> The bondsman was **John W. Kidd**, who also affirms that Mary Ann Kidd was over 21. Mary Ann gives her own written consent. Witnesses were A. Barksdale and **John W. Kidd**.<sup>202</sup>

1830-1832 – A **John W. Kidd** appears for the first time on the 1830 **Nelson County, VA** PPTLs, taxed for his own tithe and one horse. (He may be the “John Kidd Jr.” who appeared there in 1828.) Not listed in 1831, he appears again on the 1832 Nelson County PPTLs.

1834 – A Nelson County VA marriage bond dated 18 December 1834 was issued for the marriage of **John W. Kidd** to Margaret McClure.<sup>203</sup>

1835-1851 – in this year, a second John Kidd, listed as **John W. Kidd**, joins the John Kidd who was on the Albemarle County PPTLs in 1834. John W. Kidd is taxed for more slaves and personal property than is the other John Kidd. John W. Kidd appears annually on the Albemarle County PPTLs through 1851, the last year of these tax lists that we've examined.

YEAR	NAME	TITHES	OTHER
1835B	John W.	1 tithe, 2 young slaves, 1 horse	
1836B	John W.	1 tithe, 2 young slaves, 1 horse	
1837B	Jno W.	1 tithe, 2 young slaves	
1838B	Jno W.	1 tithe, 1 adult slave, 2 young slaves	
1839B	Jno W.	1 tithe, 1 adult slave, 1 young slave	
1840B	Jno W.	1 tithe, 1 adult slave, 2 young slaves	
1841B	Jno W. [ + ]	2 tithes, 1 adult slave, 2 young slaves, 1 horse	[see footnote] <sup>204</sup>

<sup>201</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt, p. 532, citing Albemarle Marr. Reg., 1806-1868, fol. 37.

<sup>202</sup> *Ibid*, citing “B/C Papers, 1822-1829.”

<sup>203</sup> Nelson County, VA Marriage Register, 1808-1878, retrieved from Ancestry.com (no digital image), citing FHL #32734, item 3 (restricted access, FHCs only).

<sup>204</sup> In 1841, the 'plus sign' + appears by his name, when he has 2 white tithes. A notation of the PPTLs indicates + means additional white tithes. On some entries this year, but not John W. Kidd's, the notation reads “+son”.

YEAR	NAME	TITHES	OTHER
1842B	John W.	1 tithe, 1 adult slave, 2 young slaves, 1 horse	
1843B	John W.	1 tithe, 1 adult slave, 2 young slaves, 1 horse	
1844B	John W.	1 tithe, 1 adult slave, 2 young slaves, 1 horse	
1845B	John W.	1 tithe, 4 adult slaves, 1 young slave, 1 horse	\$30 carryalls and horses of value
1846B	John W.	1 tithe, 5 adult slaves, 1 young slave, 1 horse	Geo M. Woods list, St. Ann's parish
1847B	John W.	1 tithe, 3 adult slaves, 1 young slave, 2 horses	
1848B	John W.	1 tithe, 4 adult slaves, 1 young slave, 1 horse	\$40, one 4-wheeled vehicle
1849B	John W.	1 tithe, 4 adult slaves, 2 horses	\$50 pleasure carriage
1850B	John M.	1 tithe, 1 horse	[no slaves listed]
1850B	John W.	1 tithe, 4 adult slaves, 1 horse	Ira Harris list
1851B	John W.	1 tithe, 4 adult slaves, 1 horse	

1835 – A marriage bond in Albemarle County was issued 21 December 1835 for the marriage of Charles Kidd and Malinda Kidd, Reuben L. Coleman, minister. Bondsman was **John Kidd**, who also affirmed that Malinda was over 21 years of age. Witness was William W. Tompkins.<sup>205</sup> This bondsman may or may not be John W. Kidd.

1838 – A marriage bond in Albemarle County was issued 22 December 1838 for the marriage of Sarah Kidd and John Clarke.<sup>206</sup> Bondsman was **John W. Kidd**, witness was Ira Garrett. Sarah Kidd (evidently the mother of the bride) gave her consent, indicating that the bride was not yet 21 years old. Witnessing this affidavit was G.M. Kidd [possibly George M. Kidd].<sup>207</sup>

1839 – A marriage bond in Albemarle County was issued 25 November 1839 for the marriage of Charlotte Kidd and John R. Houchens, John S. Abell, minister; marriage date 2 December 1839.<sup>208</sup> Bondsman **John W. Kidd**; witness John T. Ford; d [daughter of] Sarah Kidd, who gives her consent. Witnesses **John W. Kidd** and Elizabeth Kidd.<sup>209</sup>

<sup>205</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt & T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, p. 187.

<sup>206</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt, p. 532, citing Albemarle Marriage Register, 1808-1868, folio 74.

<sup>207</sup> *Ibid*, citing B/C Papers, 1837-1842.

<sup>208</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt, p. 532, citing Albemarle Marriage Register, 1808-1868.

<sup>209</sup> *Ibid*, citing “B/C papers, 1837-1842.”

1840 – On the federal census in Albemarle County VA, St. Anne's Parish:

**John W. Kidd** – 2WM<5 & 1 30-39; 1F<5, 1 20-29 & 1 30-39. Four slaves.  
Three employed in Mfg. & Trade.

1849 – On 1 June 1849, Gabriel L. Harper and Sarah T. his wife of the county of Albemarle sold to **John W. Kidd** of the same place for \$400 a parcel of land in Albemarle County on the waters of Ivy Creek (description of metes and bounds, omitted here) containing one rod and twenty-three poles. This deed was admitted to record on 3 June 1850.<sup>210</sup>

1850 – On the federal census in Albemarle County VA, p. 231A, HH 1086:

**Kidd, John W.** 45MW blacksmith \$500 VA  
" , Margaret 46FW VA  
" , John 14MW VA attended school within the year  
" , Julia 12FW VA attended school within the year  
" , Benjamin 10MW VA attended school within the year  
McClure, Mildred 28FW VA

On the 1850 census, **John W. Kidd** had five slaves ranging in age from an infant to 35 years.

On 9 November 1850, P. E. [Pleasant E.] Kidd, with **John W. Kidd** apparently as his security, entered into a bond with Hudson Burton in the amount of \$151. By 5 July 1851, the amount due had been reduced by partial payments to \$75.90, bearing interest from that time till paid.<sup>211</sup> Burton subsequently assigned this note to John Wood Jr, who assigned it to David Hansborough on 7 March 1861; Hansborough then wrote to John W. Kidd seeking payment.<sup>212</sup> In a letter dated 23 March 1861, John W. Kidd, of Ivy Depot in Albemarle County, replied to Hansborough,<sup>213</sup> stating that he thought the note had been paid, reading in part ... "When my brother left the state, had I known the note was unpaid, I could have had it settled." ... [Note: Pleasant E. Kidd migrated to Missouri before 1854.]

Hansborough then sued John W. Kidd and his heirs for payment of this debt, filing his suit in Albemarle County Court on 19 November 1862; a final decree was issued 14 May 1864 in favor of Hansborough, the Plaintiff.

1851 – He is likely the **John Kidd** who was among several men acting as Security for Paul Tilman Jr.'s Guardian's Bond, in the amount of \$4,000 dated 3 November 1851, for the care of Samuel Powell's orphans Walter M., Thomas A. and Eliza A. Powell (all over 14 years of age). Security: B.B. Garth, John T. Wood, Wm. P. Jarman and **John Kidd**.<sup>214</sup>

On the [blank] day of December 1851, Charles Baily of Albemarle County sold to **John W. Kidd** of the same place, for \$2500, the tract of land upon which Baily was living (reserving only one-eighth acre including the graveyard near the house for burial purposes for himself

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<sup>210</sup> Albemarle County Deed Book 48, pages 445-446, retrieved from FHL #30247, images 247-248 via familysearch.org.

<sup>211</sup> Information about this suit can be found online in Albemarle County Chancery Court Case 1876-008, images 34-36 and images 58-59, among others.

<sup>212</sup> Ibid, image 34.

<sup>213</sup> Ibid, image 58.

<sup>214</sup> *Guardian Bonds of Albemarle County, Virginia, 1783-1852*, by Mary Catherine Murphy, 1968, citing Guardian Bonds Vol. 3, p. 248

and such of his family as may desire there to be buried) (metes and bounds description omitted)...containing by survey ...184 ¾ acres. This deed was recorded on 1 March 1852.<sup>215</sup>

1855 – On 24 December 1855, **John W. Kidd** and Margaret his wife sold to Nathan G. Houchens, for \$300, a tract of land in Albemarle County adjacent to the lands of Miss McGehee, [Y? or S?] Harper and B. Wood (metes and bounds description omitted) and containing by survey 15 acres. John W. and Margaret both signed this deed, which was recorded on 29 November 1859.<sup>216</sup>

1855-1866 – **John W. Kidd** is found on the 1855 Albemarle County LTL, in James Fry's district.<sup>217</sup> In 1855, he was taxed on four parcels of land, all of them fee simple, shown in the Table below:

Acres	Name of tract	Description	Dist fm CH
1	-	Woodville	W 7
15	-	Morgantown	W 8
¼	1R 23 poles	Residence, Woodville	W 8
188¾	-	Mechum's River	W 9

He subsequently appears annually on the Albemarle County LTLs through 1866, with only minor variations in the details recorded:

His 1858 listing showed a decrease in the acreage of the Mechum's River parcel by 5 acres, with no note as to why.<sup>218</sup>

In 1860, the 15-acre parcel drops from his taxable holdings; an accompanying note in the Alterations column is difficult to decipher, but appears to say, "Off 15 acres chg'd to Jno. W. Kidd (illegible) to B----- (illegible) Parish(?)."

The only other variations observed from 1856 through 1866 were minor variations in the distance of one or more of these parcels from the Courthouse, never varying more than one mile. See 1866, below.

1860 – On the federal census in Albemarle County VA, St. Anne's Parish, Charlottesville P.O., p. 138, HH 1030/1021:

Kidd, Margaret 58FW VA

" , Judy [Julia] 22FW VA

" , Ben 20MW laborer VA

McClure, Mildred 50FW VA

**Kidd, John W.** 56MW farmer \$3920/\$7450 VA

On the 1860 slave census, **John W. Kidd** has nine slaves ranging in age from 1 to 45 years. The ages of the three oldest slaves (two adult males and one adult female) are consistent with the ages of the three oldest in 1850.

<sup>215</sup> Albemarle County, VA Deed Book 50, page 298, retrieved from FHL #30248, image 155 via familysearch.org.

<sup>216</sup> Albemarle County, VA Deed Book 58, page 286, retrieved from FHL #30252, image 172 via familysearch.org.

<sup>217</sup> FHL #1889152, image 75, viewable online via familysearch.org (unrestricted access). The LTLs for the years prior to 1855 have not been digitized by the Family History Library, so they're not available online at this time.

<sup>218</sup> FHL #1889153, image 246, viewable online via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).



1866-1875 – **John W. Kidd** appears for the last time on the Albemarle County LTLs in 1866.<sup>219</sup>

On 20 Sept 1866,<sup>220</sup> James Lobban, a wealthy landowner in Albemarle County,<sup>221</sup> sold to **J. W. Kidd** in his lifetime and to B. W. Kidd a certain tract of land in Albemarle County near Ivy Depot, adjoining the lands of Benjamin Wood and others called “Gillums”, containing about 189 ½ acres. Lobban sold this land by contract, with five equal installments due annually on 20 September of 1867-1871.

As will be seen below, this contract and the breach thereof resulted in a Chancery Court case in 1871.

1866-1875 – **John W. Kidd** died sometime after the execution of the above deed, but before the 1867 Albemarle County Land Tax List was made.

In 1867, his estate is listed, charged for the same three parcels as before.<sup>222</sup>

His estate continues to be listed annually through 1875, the last year that we have examined. The 1871 LTL was the first to record the Albemarle township of each entry; John W.’s three remaining parcels were all in Samuel Miller Township.<sup>223</sup>

In 1873, the two small parcels (of ¼ acre and 1 acre) drop from his entry, with no explanation.<sup>224</sup> In reviewing the Alterations column for the rests of this township, we discovered the two parcels listed among the taxable land owned by “Wood & Price,” with the notation “Trans. From **Jno. W. Kidd Est.**” These two parcels were listed as lying in Ivy Depot, 7 miles west of the Courthouse.<sup>225</sup>

1867 – On 17 December 1867, Margaret Kidd, the widow of **John W. Kidd**, and their three children executed a deed in Albemarle County that is complicated, but contains valuable information about the family. Below is a transcription of this deed:<sup>226</sup>

Whereas, on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August 1858, **John W. Kidd** and Margaret his wife conveyed by deed to John S. Woodson and William A. Woodson, all their interest in certain real estate, situated in Woodville, in the county of Albemarle, in consideration of the sum of \$800, but the said deed was never admitted to record, and whereas the said **John W. Kidd** has died intestate, leaving his widow Mrs. Margaret Kidd and his children Benjamin W. Kidd, Julia Kidd, and John M. Kidd, his heirs at law, and whereas the sum of \$258, the balance of the purchase money for the said real estate has been paid by John S. Woodson to the heirs of the said **John W. Kidd**, deceased, and whereas the said John S. Woodson (with the consent of the said William A. Woodson) has sold the said real estate to Charles H. Price and Thomas W. Wood: Now this deed, made this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 1867, between Margaret Kidd, Benjamin W. Kidd, Julia Kidd, John M. Kidd, John S. Woodson, and Sally C. his wife,

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<sup>219</sup> Albemarle County, VA Land Tax Books, 1865-1870, retrieved from FHL #1889155, image 115 via familysearch.org.

<sup>220</sup> This deed does not appear in the Albemarle County General Index to Deeds; perhaps this is because Lobban retained ownership, waiting until the final payment had been made, and with John W. Kidd’s death within the first year of the contract, the payments ceased, and the deed was never filed.

<sup>221</sup> The General Index of Deeds for Albemarle County, VA contains dozens of deeds in his name.

<sup>222</sup> Ibid, image 205.

<sup>223</sup> FHL #1889156, image 20, viewable online via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

<sup>224</sup> Ibid, image 305.

<sup>225</sup> Ibid, image 311.

<sup>226</sup> Albemarle County, VA Deed Book 66, pages 28-30, retrieved from FHL #1889080, images 387-388 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

and William A. Woodson and Sally his wife ...in consideration of the sum of \$1258 (paid to the said John S. Woodson, the said Margaret Kidd, Benjamin W. Kidd and Alice B. his wife, Julia Kidd, John M. Kidd, John S. Woodson and Sally C. his wife, and William A. Woodson and Sally A. his wife, do grant unto the said Charles H. Price and Thomas M. Wood ...that certain real estate, lying in the county of Albemarle at Ivy Depot (formerly known as Woodville), it being the same real estate bought by **John W. Kidd** in his lifetime of Gabriel S. Harper and Sarah T. his wife.

This deed was signed by all parties. It was admitted to record in Albemarle County on 11 February 1871.

1870 – On 1 February 1870, John M. Kidd of Albemarle County executed a deed of trust to the Albemarle Builders Association in order to secure a bond owed to them. In doing so, John M. Kidd put up his undivided one-third interest in a tract of land near Mechum’s River in the County of Albemarle, containing 180 acres, more or less, “upon which his father **John W. Kidd** lived, from whom he inherited said interest in said tract of land.” This deed was recorded on 2 February 1870<sup>227</sup>

1870 – **John W. Kidd’s** family is found on the federal census in Samuel Miller township, Albemarle County, VA, Mechums River P.O., page 484, HH 604/608” [mis-indexed at Ancestry.com as Red]

**Kid, Margaret** 68FW keeping house VA

“ , Alice 30FW at home VA [wife of Benjamin W. Kidd]

“ , Emmet L. 3MW VA [Benjamin and Alice’s son]

“ , Jno. W. 1MW VA

“ , Julia 30FW at home VA

1871 – On 24 June 1871, Margaret Kidd, a resident of Samuel Miller township, Albemarle County, and a householder and head of family, took advantage of the Act of Assembly called the Homestead Act, selected and set apart “as a homestead for myself and family, ...the tract of land whereon I now live, lying near Mechanics River, known as the home place, being the same tract of land bought by **Jno. W. Kidd** from Charles Bailey ...containing 180¾ acres, and worth about \$2000.”

Margaret signed this deed, and it was recorded on 26 June 1871.<sup>228</sup>

1871 – In the fall of 1871, James Lobban, a wealthy landowner in Albemarle County,<sup>229</sup> filed a suit in Albemarle Chancery Court against the heirs of **John W. Kidd**.<sup>230</sup> In his suit, he stated that on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of September 1866,<sup>231</sup> he sold to **J. W. Kidd** in his lifetime and to B. W. Kidd [John W. Kidd’s son] a certain tract of land in Albemarle County near Ivy Depot adjoining the lands of Benjamin Wood and others called “Gillums”, containing about 189 ½ acres. Lobban stated that he sold the said tract of land to the said **J. W. Kidd** and B. W. Kidd and

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<sup>227</sup> Albemarle County, VA Deed Book 64, pages 598-599, retrieved from FHL #1889079, images 444-445 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

<sup>228</sup> Ibid, DB 66, page 342, retrieved from FHL #1889080, images 564 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

<sup>229</sup> The General Index of Deeds for Albemarle County, VA contains dozens of deeds in his name.

<sup>230</sup> Albemarle County, VA Chancery Court Case 1876-008, images 37-41, retrieved via special order from the Archives Division of the Library of Virginia. This is a long record, comprising 166 digital images. It is not yet online; copies of cited images can be obtained from the authors.

<sup>231</sup> This deed does not appear in the Albemarle County General Index to Deeds; this is likely because Lobban retained ownership, until the final payment had been made; with John W. Kidd’s death within the first year of the contract, the payments ceased and the deed evidently never filed.

gave them possession of the same, but retained the title to said land till the purchase money should be paid thereon; and that the said **J. W. Kidd** and B. W. Kidd agreed to pay to him for said land the sum of \$2653 payable in five equal annual installments with interest from date and executed their five bonds to him for \$530.60 each, dated the said 20<sup>th</sup> September 1866 and payable on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of September 1867, 1868, 1869, 1870 and 1871, with interest from said date, of which only one had been paid by 1871.

Soon after this 1866 transaction, **John W. Kidd** died intestate.<sup>232</sup> Evidently no one petitioned the Albemarle County Court for letters of administration of his estate, and thus this role went to Jas. C. Childress, the Sheriff of Albemarle County at the time. Lobban sued Childress as J. W. Kidd's administrator for the unpaid notes. In the suit, Lobban cited the other tracts of land owned by J. W. Kidd at the time of his death, asking that they be exposed to sale, if necessary, to satisfy the debts owed him.

The Chancery suit lists **J. W. Kidd's** heirs: his widow Mrs. Margaret Kidd; his children John M. Kidd, Julia Kidd, and the said B. W. Kidd and his wife Alice B. Kidd.

The Court ordered the lands owned by **John W. Kidd** and his son B. W. Kidd to be sold and his debts paid off. The final decree was made in the May 1876 term of the Court.<sup>233</sup>

1880 – Margaret Kidd, the widow of **John W. Kidd**, is found on the 1880 Mortality census for Albemarle County, listed as a widow, aged 79, who died in November 1879 from pneumonia. She is enumerated below the entry for their son John M. Kidd, a laborer aged 44, single, who died in December 1879 of apoplexy. The mortality census lists both as members of Household #25 of the 1880 federal census,<sup>234</sup> which was the household of son Benjamin W. Kidd and his family.

The death record of her daughter, Julia Kidd, who died in Charlottesville on 7 Feb 1919 at the age of 80, lists her parents as **John M. [W.] Kidd** and Margaret McClure; her date of birth as 5 March 1838, and her place of birth as Albemarle County.

Reiley Kidd has created a public tree at Ancestry.com for John W. Kidd and his brother Pleasant E. Kidd, for the benefit of researchers of this line. The tree can be viewed at <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/193714176/family?cfpid=362523799443&fpid=362523799741>

### **JOHN M. KIDD – On only the 1850 Albemarle County PPTLs**

1850 – **John M. Kidd** appears for the first time on the Albemarle County VA PPTLs in 1850, taxed for himself and one horse. In 1851, the last year we've examined, he drops from the PPTLs. This cannot be the John M. Kidd below, as that John M. was too young to appear on this PPTL as a taxable male.

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<sup>232</sup> He was deceased by the spring of 1867, when his estate was listed on that year's Land Tax List. See FHL #1889152, image 205, retrieved via familysearch.org. This list did not record the day or month of the assessment, but these lists were compiled in the spring.

<sup>233</sup> Digital image 94.

<sup>234</sup> U.S., Federal Census Mortality Schedules, 1850-1855, Albemarle County, VA, Charlottesville District, E.D 8, on Ancestry.com.

**JOHM M. KIDD, son of John W. Kidd of Albemarle County and his wife Margaret McClure**  
**Born abt 1836, likely in Albemarle County**  
**Apparently never married**  
**Died in December 1879 in Albemarle County**

1850 – On the federal census in Albemarle County VA, p. 231A, HH 1086:

**Kidd**, John W. 45MW blacksmith \$500 VA

" , Margaret 46FW VA

" , **John** 14MW VA attended school within the year

" , Julia 12FW VA attended school within the year

" , Benjamin 10MW VA attended school within the year

McClure, Mildred 28FW VA

1860 – We believe that he's the John N. Kidd below, living in the household of George T. Jones and his family in St. Anne's Parish, Albemarle County, VA, HH 676/673:

**J. N. (sic) Kidd** 24MW clerk no real or personal estate b. VA

His age and occupation fit with his other census records; we believe the census taker erred in his middle initial.

1867 – On 17 December 1867, Margaret Kidd, the widow of John W. Kidd, and their three children executed a deed in Albemarle County that is complicated, but contains valuable information about the family. Below is a transcription of this deed:<sup>235</sup>

Whereas, on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August 1858, John W. Kidd and Margaret his wife conveyed by deed to John S. Woodson and William A. Woodson, all their interest in certain real estate, situated in Woodville, in the county of Albemarle, in consideration of the sum of \$800, but the said deed was never admitted to record, and whereas the said John W. Kidd has died intestate, leaving his widow Mrs. Margaret Kidd and his children Benjamin W. Kidd, Julia Kidd, and John M. Kidd, his heirs at law, and whereas the sum of \$258, the balance of the purchase money for the said real estate has been paid by John S. Woodson to the heirs of the said John W. Kidd, deceased, and whereas the said John S. Woodson (with the consent of the said William A. Woodson) has sold the said real estate to Charles H. Price and Thomas W. Wood: Now this deed, made this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 1867, between Margaret Kidd, Benjamin W. Kidd, Julia Kidd, **John M. Kidd**, John S. Woodson, and Sally C. his wife, and William A. Woodson and Sally his wife ...in consideration of the sum of \$1258 (paid to the said John S. Woodson, the said Margaret Kidd, Benjamin W. Kidd and Alice B. his wife, Julia Kidd, **John M. Kidd**, John S. Woodson and Sally C. his wife, and William A. Woodson and Sally A. his wife, do grant unto the said Charles H. Price and Thomas M. Wood ...that certain real estate, lying in the county of Albemarle at Ivy Depot (formerly known as Woodville), it being the same real estate bought by John W. Kidd in his lifetime of Gabriel S. Harper and Sarah T. his wife.

This deed was signed by all parties. It was admitted to record in Albemarle County on 11 February 1871.

1870 – On 1 February 1870, **John M. Kidd** of Albemarle County executed a deed of trust to the Albemarle Builders Association in order to secure a bond owed to them. In doing so, **John M. Kidd** put up his undivided one-third interest in a tract of land near Mechum's River in the County of Albemarle, containing 180 acres more or less "upon which his father, John W.

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<sup>235</sup> Albemarle County, VA Deed Book 66, pages 28-30, retrieved from FHL #1889080, images 387-388 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

Kidd lived, from whom he inherited said interest in said tract of land.” This deed was recorded in the County Court Clerk’s office on 2 February 1870<sup>236</sup>

Jno. M. Kidd is found on the 1870 federal census in Fredericksville Parish, Albemarle County, VA, in the household of David Levine and his family, page 281, HH 224/267:  
**Kidd, Jno. M.** 34MW Grocer No real or personal estate b. VA

1879 – **John M. Kidd** is listed on the 1880 Albemarle County mortality census as a laborer aged 44, single, occupation of grocer, who died in December 1879 of apoplexy. He is enumerated above his mother Margaret Kidd, the widow of John W. Kidd, aged 79, who died in November 1879 from pneumonia. The mortality census lists both as members of Household #25 of the 1880 federal census,<sup>237</sup> which was the household of son Benjamin W. Kidd and his family.

### **JOSEPH KIDD SR. of Albemarle & Nelson County, parents unknown**

**Born between 1764-1770**

**Married Ann (Nancy) Johnson on 3 Sept 1795 in Albemarle County**

**Died abt 1842 in Nelson County,<sup>238</sup> intestate**

**Could not read or write**

It is possible that Joseph Kidd was the son of Duel Kidd, who lived in the southeastern part of Albemarle County. Joseph Kidd and Duel Kidd (Jr.) are named as potential witnesses in a Chancery court suit in Albemarle County in 1803; another potential named witness was Samuel Richardson, who had had Joseph Kidd serve as a witness to his own wedding in 1791. Other sons of Duel Kidd may have been Charles Kidd (died 1856 in Albemarle County) and Pleasant Kidd (b 1766/1780 - d by 1825), who married Sarah Farrell in 1802 in Albemarle County. While this theory needs additional research, all these men lived in the area, had limited assets, and apparently were illiterate.

1791 – A **Joseph Kidd** was a witness to the marriage of Samuel Richardson and Mary Cross in Albemarle County on 24 May 1791.<sup>239</sup>

1793 – A **Joseph Kidd** appears for the first time in the Albemarle County PPTLs in 1793. He doesn't appear again until 1797.

1795 – **Joseph Kidd** and Ann Johnson were married in Albemarle County on 3 Sept 1795.<sup>240</sup> Another abstract of this record states that the bondsman was Thomas Johnson.<sup>241</sup>

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<sup>236</sup> Albemarle County, VA Deed Book 64, pages 598-599, retrieved from FHL #1889079, images 444-445 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

<sup>237</sup> U.S., Federal Census Mortality Schedules, 1850-1855, Albemarle County, VA, Charlottesville District, E.D 8, on Ancestry.com.

<sup>238</sup> He drops from both the Nelson County PPTLs and LTLs in 1843, suggesting that he died in the previous 12 months, following the 1842 tax lists. He had definitely died by 27 February 1845, when his widow sold his land.

<sup>239</sup> *Albemarle County Marriages, 1780-1853 (three volumes)*, by John Vogt & T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, p. 265.

<sup>240</sup> *Some Virginia Marriages, 1700-1799*, compiled by Cecil McDonald Jr., vol. 10, p. 11.

<sup>241</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt & T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, p. 187, citing B/C Papers, 1793-98.

1797-1806 – **Joseph Kidd** reappears on the Albemarle County PPTLs in 1797 and appears almost annually after that, through 1806 (see Table below).

YEAR	NAME	TAX
1793	Joseph	
1797	Joseph	
1798	Joseph	
1800B	Joseph	1 tithe, no tax listed
1801A	Joseph	1 tithe, tax .12
1802A	Joseph	1 tithe
1803A	Joseph	1 tithe, 1 horse, tax .12
1804A	Joseph	1 tithe, 1 horse, tax .12
1805A	Joseph Kid	1 tithe
1806A	Joseph	1 tithe

A Joseph Kidd appears on the Goochland County PPTLs in 1795 and 1798, taxed similarly (one WMT and one horse) in these years. It is conceivable that they are the same Joseph, but it seems unlikely, given that this Joseph would be listed on the PPTLs of two different counties in the same year. We do not know the identity of the other Joseph Kidd.

1803 – **Joseph Kidd** is named in an 1803 Albemarle County Chancery Court case as an intended witness in the suit titled Samuel Wood v Administrator of Nathaniel Watkins. The plaintiff Samuel Wood notified the estate’s administrator and defendant William Watkins that Wood planned to depose Duell Kidd, Samuel Richardson, Nathan Wash, and Joseph Kidd, all to be deposed at the house of Duell Kidd on 2 April 1803.<sup>242</sup>

No deposition of Joseph Kidd is included in the chancery file, so whether he was actually deposed or not is unknown. However, this may suggest a relationship, perhaps that of brother, between Joseph Kidd and Duell Kidd. Many proposed witnesses were named in this suit, with Watkins intending to also depose witnesses at Holman Snead’s tavern in the town of Warren, which is in the southwestern area of Albemarle County near the James River.

After 1806, no Joseph Kidd appears on the Albemarle County PPTLs. This Joseph Kidd is found in Nelson County, VA (formed in 1807), sometime after 1806. No tax was taken statewide in 1808. Beginning in 1810, Joseph Kidd is listed on the Nelson County PPTLs through 1842. He died in Nelson County about 1842.

See his section in our Nelson County compilation for all of his records, along with a list of his proposed children (the first five of whom were born in Albemarle County), and a Genealogical Proof Statement that explains why we believe that Joseph and his wife Nancy were the parents of these children.

**JOSEPH W. KIDD – in Albemarle County 1834-1836**  
**Married Lucy Jane McKenney in 1835**  
**Possibly died before 1860**

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<sup>242</sup> [https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/full\\_case\\_detail.asp?CFN=003-1803-006#img](https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/full_case_detail.asp?CFN=003-1803-006#img), image 33 of 36.

1834-1836 – a **Joseph Kidd** reappears on the Albemarle County PPTLs for these three years, each time taxed for one white male tithe. In 1835 only, he's also taxed for a horse.

1835 – A marriage bond dated 1 June 1835 was issued in Albemarle County for **Joseph W. Kidd** and Lucy Jane McKenney, with bondsman as Wm G. McKenney, who likely was her father.<sup>243</sup> One abstract incorrectly gives her name as Lucy J. McKerney.<sup>244</sup> Another abstract of this record lists the bride's surname as McKenney, and names the minister as John S. Abell (see other marriages in this paper by the same minister).<sup>245</sup>

We've found no other records for this Joseph Kidd.

1860 – In the 1860 federal census for Albemarle County, VA, St. Anne's Parish, Charlottesville P.O., household 1150, family 1134, **Lucy J. Kidd**, aged 43, is living in the household of William G. McKenney, likely her father. This suggests that Joseph Kidd may have been deceased by 1860.

William G. McKennie Occupation: Miller 65 b VA

Judith C. McKennie 65 b VA

**Lucy J. Kidd** 43 b VA

### **LEROY A. KIDD, married Mrs. Eliza Slater**

1834 – A **Leroy Kidd** appears for the first time on the Albemarle County VA PPTLs in 1834, paying his own tithe, with no slaves or horse. He then drops from the PPTLs until 1840.

1839 – **Leroy Kidd** obtained a marriage bond in Albemarle County on 4 April 1839 for his marriage to Mrs. Eliza Slatyer.<sup>246</sup> The bondsman was John Riley.<sup>247 248</sup>

1840 – An **L.A. Kidd** appears on the 1840 federal census in Albemarle County's St. Anne's Parish. Note: This is mis-indexed at Ancestry.com as S.A. Kidd.

**L.A. Kidd** – 1M<5 & 1 20-29; 1F<5 & 1 20-29 & 1 40-49. One male slave under 10.

1840 – **Leroy Kidd** reappears on the Albemarle PPTL this one year, again paying only his own tithe, with no taxable property. He then drops from Albemarle County PPTLs and does not appear again through 1851, the last year we've examined.

On 18 April 1840, **Leroy A. Kid** and Eliza his wife of Albemarle County executed a Deed of Gift to Christopher Slater [likely Eliza's son by her first marriage] and Beatrice Kidd, out of their natural love and affection, the following property, to wit, two feather beds, bedsteads and bed clothing, one bureau, one clock, one folding table, a dozen Windsor chairs, one

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<sup>243</sup> Albemarle County VA Marriage Bond, copy of original in Dropbox Albemarle Marriages Source Documents.

<sup>244</sup> *Marriages of Albemarle County and Charlottesville, VA, 1781-1929*, by William L. Norford, p. 112.

<sup>245</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt & T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, p. 187.

<sup>246</sup> *Marriages of Albemarle County and Charlottesville, VA, 1781-1929*, by William L. Norford, p. 112. This abstract lists the groom's name as "Lessy" Kidd, but the bond itself clearly shows the name as Leroy.

<sup>247</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt & T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, p. 187, citing B/C Papers, 1837-42.

<sup>248</sup> An image of the bond itself was retrieved from FHL #1889165, Clerk of Albemarle Circuit Court, Marriage Bonds and Consent Papers, 1837-1842, image 504 of 1165. Image available upon request.

china press, one set of china, & one cow and calf. The deed specifies that if one of the above-named children should die leaving no lawful heirs, that the other should obtain and inherit the whole property. Both Leroy and Eliza signed this deed.<sup>249</sup> Because this deed of gift is for their household goods, this may have been an attempt to protect their property from creditors, or they may have been preparing to move away from the area.

We've found no other records for this Leroy Kidd.

### **LEWIS KIDD, parents not known. Possibly the Lewis Kidd who married Obedience Kidd**

Two daughters of Lewis and Obedience Kidd were baptized by the Rev. William Douglas in St. James Northam Parish, Goochland County. While the name Lewis is not a common one in the Kidd family, a Lewis Kidd is found in the central Virginia counties of Albemarle, Buckingham, and Fluvanna in the late 1700s. An Obedience Kidd also witnessed the will of John Norman Kidd in Amherst County in 1795.

1759 – On 10 Aug 1759, Nansie, daughter of **Lewis** and Obedience **Kid** [published book says Kids], was born. She was baptized 30 Sept 1759 by Rev. William Douglas in St. James Northam Parish, Goochland County.<sup>250</sup>

1767 – On 25 Sept 1767, Patsie, daughter of **Lewis Kid** and Obedience Kid, was born. She was baptized 16 Oct 1768 [1767?] by Rev. William Douglas in St. James Northam Parish, Goochland Parish.

Note: This birth register gives women's maiden names, and Obedience is listed as Kid, indicating she was a Kidd by birth, or perhaps her maiden name was not known to Rev. Douglas.

1774 – In a deed dated 19 April 1774, **Lewis Kidd** and Moses Kidd are named among the debtors who owed money to John Lyle of Albemarle County.<sup>251</sup>

Before 1777 – Aron Kidd, Benjamin Kidd, John Kidd, **Lewis Kidd**, Moses Kidd and Saml Kidd were among the signers of a petition to the Virginia General Assembly for the separation of Fluvanna County from Albemarle County. Lewis Kidd and Moses Kidd appear next to each other on the list of petitioners; on the same page, but listed separately from each other, are Benjamin Kidd, Saml Kidd, John Kidd, and Aron Kidd. The petition language identifies the petitioners as resident in the southern part of Albemarle County, 20 to 35 miles from the courthouse, with poor mountainous roads, and two rivers and many rapid creeks to cross along the way.<sup>252</sup>

1777 – Fluvanna County was created on 5 May 1777 from Albemarle County.

Fluvanna County August 1777 Court. The several Surveyors of the Roads in this County are continued as appointed by Albemarle Court.

Ordered that the hands of Allen Cocke where Richard Bennett is overseer, hands of Robert Payne, Julius Saunders Jr., Julius Saunders Sr., **Lewis Kidd**, Jno. Kidd, Moses Kid, James

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<sup>249</sup> Albemarle County Deed Book 38, page 24, retrieved from FHL #30242, image 19 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

<sup>250</sup> *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 56 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

<sup>251</sup> Albemarle County DB 6, p. 367-370.

<sup>252</sup> Fluvanna County Historical Society Bulletin 1:6 (reviewed by RK at Jones Memorial Library, April 2013).



Webb, Edward Rice, David Wade, hands of Jno. Harris, hands of Walter King where Jno. Key is overseer, work on the road whereof Jno. Key is Surveyor until the next court.<sup>253</sup>

1779 – Fluvanna Court, 2 Sept. 1779. Ordered that the hands belonging to Austin Sea[y], Stephen Clements, Benj. Lea, Robert B. Paine, **Lewis Kidd**, Moses Kidd, John Kidd, Allen Cock (on the W. River), John Harris, Richd. Chandler, Julius Sanders Senr., Julius Sanders Junr., John Rice, William Rice, Sa\_\_ville [Sacheville] King, John (Nice?), Thomas Down, Thos. Linthecum, & Thos. Appleberry work on the road whereof John Sea (Seay/Lea?) is appointed Surveyor.<sup>254</sup>

1780 – A Fluvanna County marriage bond for Edward Kersey and Nancy Kidd was issued 22 November 1780. The bondsman was **Lewis Kidd**.<sup>255</sup> This Nancy Kidd may be Lewis and Obedience's daughter Nancie, baptized in 1859 by Rev. William Douglas of St. James Northam Parish.

1781 – In a deed dated 25 April 1781, Richard Napier and Leonard Thompson, churchwardens for the Parish of Fluvanna in Fluvanna County, bind Lizza Gallding as an apprentice to learn the "art and mystery of a spinster," to **Lewis Kidd** of Fluvanna County.<sup>256</sup> Note: This term, as used in colonial Virginia, refers to learning the profession to spin and weave cloth.

**MALINDA (KIDD) KIDD, the daughter of Hudson P. Kidd and Lucy Wright of Nelson County**

**Born ca 1815 in Nelson County**

**Married Charles H. Kidd in 1835 in Albemarle County. He was the son of Joseph Kidd and Nancy (Ann) Johnson of Albemarle and Nelson Counties<sup>257</sup>**

**Died in 1886 in Nelson County**

1835 – Charles Kidd and **Malinda Kidd** received a marriage bond in Albemarle County on 21 Dec 1835, Reuben L. Coleman, minister. Bondsman was John Kidd, who also affirmed that Malinda was over 21 years of age. Witness was William W. Tompkins.<sup>258</sup> Both John Kidd and Charles Kidd signed this bond with an X.

1836 – Charles Kidd moved his family to Nelson County in 1836 or 1837, where he appears on the annual Nelson County PPTLs from 1837 through 1850 (the last year that we've checked). He and Malinda continued to live there for the next 50 years.

**See our Nelson County compilation for all the records we have found for Malinda and Charles Kidd.**

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<sup>253</sup> FHL #31476, Item 1, Fluvanna County OB, August 1777 – May 1779, p. 2.

<sup>254</sup> FHL #31476, Item 2, Fluvanna County OB, June 1779- August 1782, p. 7.

<sup>255</sup> *Supplement to Marriages, 1778-1801, Fluvanna Co VA*, copied by SKK. This comes from Fluvanna County Marriage Bonds prior to 1801, FHL #850090, item 2, image 67, available online at Familysearch.org.

<sup>256</sup> "A Guide to the Winn Family Papers, 1781-1894," Archival and Manuscript Collections, The Library of Virginia, abstracted by Sandra K. Kidd.

<sup>257</sup> See Appendix 6 of our Nelson County compilation for an analysis of the probable children of Joseph Kidd Sr. and his wife, Nancy/Ann Johnson.

<sup>258</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt & T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, p. 187.

**MARGARET (KIDD) SOUTHERN**, daughter of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd and his Margaret (maiden name not known) of Middlesex County VA  
Baptized in 1702 in Middlesex County<sup>259</sup>  
Married John Southern in Middlesex County on 17 February 1720<sup>260</sup>  
Migrated with husband to Goochland County by 1743

1702 – **Margaret Kidd** was born in Middlesex County VA, where her baptism was recorded in Christ Church Parish 12 May 1702. She is the first child of William and Margaret whose birth or baptism is recorded in Christ Church Parish.

John and Margaret Kidd Southern left Middlesex County sometime in the years following her parents' deaths in 1727, traveling in the same timeframe and direction as six of Margaret's siblings Robert, Aaron, John, James, Duel, and Moses. John Southern was the first associated with this Kidd family group to patent land in central Virginia, in Goochland County in the area that became Albemarle County, now part of present-day Buckingham County.

1743 – On 30 March 1743, **John Southern** received a land grant for a tract of land in Goochland County, lying on Bear Garden Creek, a tributary of the Fluvanna River and containing 250 acres.<sup>261</sup>

1746 – In a 12 Jan 1746 Goochland County VA patent, **John Southern** and William Phelps are named as neighbors of Wentworth Webb, who patented 725 acres on the branches of Bear Garden Creek. [This patent may be a re-patent of Webb's two patents for 400 acres and 345 acres, filed 15 Mar 1741]. This land lies in present-day Buckingham County.

1749 – In an Albemarle County deed of gift dated 8 Aug 1749, William Webb conveyed 400 acres to his brother Abraham Webb. This land is noted as being part of 725 acres patented to Wentworth Webb, located on Glover's Road and Bear Garden Creek, adjoining **John Southern**. [Note: Glover Road can be found on present-day maps in Buckingham County.]

1749 – In an Albemarle County deed dated 14 Nov 1749, William Webb of Albemarle County sold to **John Southern** of the same place, for £15, 325 acres on Bear Garden Creek adjoining the land of Southern and William Phelps, being part of a tract of land granted to Wentworth Webb deceased by patent dated 15 March 1737 and being residue of said patent, the other 400 acres being conveyed by William Webb to Abraham Webb. No witnesses. Recorded November 1749.<sup>262</sup>

[Note: These tracts were initially in Goochland County, created in 1727. When Albemarle County was formed from Goochland County in 1744, they became part of Albemarle, and when Buckingham County was formed out of the eastern part of Albemarle in 1761, they became part of Buckingham. The people and their land did not move; the county boundaries changed. Today, these tracts lie just north of New Canton and the James River

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<sup>259</sup> Christ Church Parish Register, page 55.

<sup>260</sup> Ibid, page 163.

<sup>261</sup> Southern, John. *Land Grant 30 March 1743*. N.p., 1743. Print. Digital image in Goochland Deeds folder. See: [https://lva.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/01LVA\\_INST/altrmk/alma990008247170205756](https://lva.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/01LVA_INST/altrmk/alma990008247170205756)

<sup>262</sup> *Deed and Will Abstracts of Albemarle County, Virginia (1748-1752)*, compiled by Ruth and Sam Sparacio, Antient Press, McLean VA, 1990, p. 51, citing Deeds and Wills Book 1, pp. 127-128.

This deed can be viewed and downloaded at familysearch.org, FHL #30224, images 99-100 (unrestricted access).

in present-day Buckingham County. New Canton is near the home of many Buckingham County Kidds.]

1755 – On 1 January MDCCLV (1755), **John Southern** of Albemarle County executed three deeds of gift to his three sons William, James, and Samuel Southern.<sup>263</sup> These three deeds were not admitted to record until August 1758 (see below).

In the first, **John Southern** of Albemarle County gave, bestowed and bequeathed to James Southern, “second son to the said John” of the same County, a parcel of land containing 300 acres, being a part of a tract of land that I bought of William Webb, containing 325 acres, where William Falwell formerly lived, with the House, Plantation, Orchard and all other appurtenances ... belonging to James Southern & his heirs and assigns...the other 25 acres to be laid off at the Lower end adjoining the land I now live on. In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal...

Signed, sealed and Delivered } (signed) John Southern {seal}  
 In the presence of }  
 (blank) }

In the second deed, **John Southern** of Albemarle County gave, bestowed and bequeathed to Samuel Southern, “third son to the said John Southern,” of the same county, a parcel of land containing 260 acres, lying in Albemarle County on both sides of Glover’s Road, joyning on the lines of Willm. Webb, Thos. Martin, and Willm. Woodson, with all the appurtenances to the same belonging unto the said Samuel Southern, his heirs and assigns forever. In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal...

Signed, sealed and Delivered } (signed) John Southern {seal}  
 In the presence of }  
 (blank) }

In the third deed, **John Southern** of Albemarle County gave, bestowed and bequeathed to William Southern of the same county, “Eldest son to the said John Southern,” 100 acres of land being part of the tract I now live on(,) adjoining 45 acres of land that he bought of John Fern where he now lives....the said 100 acres lying on the Broadside of the tract I now live on with a 24 x 16 foot Tobacco House with part of a Cornfield that is about the Tobacco House(,) or the whole field if the line takes it in when laid of(f) with all other appurtenances belonging to William Southern & his heirs and assigns... In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal...

Signed, sealed and Delivered } (signed) John Southern {seal}  
 In the presence of }  
 (blank) }

On 10 September 1755, **John Southern** received a land patent for a tract of land in Albemarle County containing 260 acres on both sides of Glovers Road, and adjoining Noel Burton, William Webb and others.<sup>264</sup>

<sup>263</sup> Albemarle County Deed Book 2, pages 59-60, retrieved from FHL #30225, images 38-39 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

<sup>264</sup> Virginia Land Office Patents No. 31, 1755-1756 (v. 1 & 2, pp. 1-751), p. 707 (VA Reel 29). Viewable online at the Library of Virginia website: Home > Land Records > Search VA Land Office Patents.

This appears to be the same parcel that John Southern deeded to his son Samuel in the above deed, despite that deed predating this patent.

1758 – On 10 August 1758, at a Court held for Albemarle County, **John Southern** appeared in Court and acknowledged these three deeds to be his own, and they were ordered to be Recorded.<sup>265</sup>

We have found no subsequent records for Margaret or her husband John Southern in Virginia or elsewhere.

**MARGARET (McCLURE) KIDD, the wife of John W. Kidd and daughter of Alexander McClure and his wife Nancy Shepherd**  
**Born abt 1801 in Albemarle County**  
**Married John W. Kidd in Nelson County on 18 December 1834**  
**Died November 1879 in Albemarle County**

1834 – A Nelson County VA marriage bond dated 18 December 1834 was issued for the marriage of John W. Kidd to **Margaret McClure**.<sup>266</sup>

1840 – On the federal census in Albemarle County VA, St. Anne's Parish:  
**John W. Kidd** – 2WM<5 & 1 30-39; 1F<5, 1 20-29 & 1 30-39. Four slaves.  
Three employed in Mfg. & Trade.

1850 – On the federal census in Albemarle County VA, p. 231A, HH 1086:  
**Kidd**, John W. 45MW blacksmith \$500 VA  
" , **Margaret** 46FW VA  
" , John 14MW VA attended school within the year  
" , Julia 12FW VA attended school within the year  
" , Benjamin 10MW VA attended school within the year  
McClure, Mildred 28FW VA

On the 1850 census, John W. Kidd had 5 slaves, ranging in age from an infant to 35 years.

1860 – On the federal census in Albemarle County VA, St. Anne's Parish, Charlottesville P.O., p. 138, HH 1030/1021:  
**Kidd, Margaret** 58FW VA  
" , Judy [Julia] 22FW VA  
" , Ben 20MW laborer VA  
McClure, Mildred 50FW VA  
Kidd, John W. 56MW farmer \$3920/\$7450 VA

1867 – On 17 December 1867, **Margaret Kidd**, the widow of John W. Kidd, and their three children executed a deed in Albemarle County that is complicated, but contains valuable information about their family. Below is a transcription of this deed:<sup>267</sup>  
Whereas, on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August 1858, **John W. Kidd and Margaret his wife** conveyed by deed to John S. Woodson and William A. Woodson, all their interest in certain real estate,

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<sup>265</sup> Ibid.

<sup>266</sup> Nelson County, VA Marriage Register, 1808-1878, retrieved from Ancestry.com (no digital image), citing FHL #32734, item 3 (restricted access, FHCs only).

<sup>267</sup> Albemarle County, VA Deed Book 66, pages 28-30, retrieved from FHL #1889080, images 387-388 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

situated in Woodville, in the county of Albemarle, in consideration of the sum of \$800, but the said deed was never admitted to record, and whereas the said John W. Kidd has died intestate, leaving his widow **Mrs. Margaret Kidd** and his children Benjamin W. Kidd, Julia Kidd, and John M. Kidd, his heirs at law, and whereas the sum of \$258, the balance of the purchase money for the said real estate has been paid by John S. Woodson to the heirs of the said John W. Kidd, deceased, and whereas the said John S. Woodson (with the consent of the said William A. Woodson) has sold the said real estate to Charles H. Price and Thomas W. Wood: Now this deed, made this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December 1867, between **Margaret Kidd**, Benjamin W. Kidd, Julia Kidd, John M. Kidd, John S. Woodson, and Sally C. his wife, and William A. Woodson and Sally his wife . . .in consideration of the sum of \$1258 (paid to the said John S. Woodson, the said **Margaret Kidd**, Benjamin W. Kidd and Alice B. his wife, Julia Kidd, John M. Kidd, John S. Woodson and Sally C. his wife, and William A. Woodson and Sally A. his wife, do grant unto the said Charles H. Price and Thomas M. Wood . . .that certain real estate, lying in the county of Albemarle at Ivy Depot (formerly known as Woodville), it being the same real estate bought by John W. Kidd in his lifetime of Gabriel S. Harper and Sarah T. his wife.

This deed was signed by all parties. It was admitted to record in Albemarle County on 11 February 1871.

1870 – On the federal census in Samuel Miller township, Albemarle County, VA, Mechums River P.O., misindexed on Ancestry.com as “Red”, page 484, HH 604/608”

**Kid, Margaret** 68FW keeping house VA

“ , Alice 30FW at home VA [wife of Benjamin W. Kidd]

“ , Emmet L. 3MW VA [Benjamin and Alice’s son]

“ , Jno. W. 1MW VA

“ , Julia 30FW at home VA

1871 – On 24 June 1871, **Margaret Kidd**, a resident of Samuel Miller township, Albemarle County, and a householder and head of family, took advantage of the Act of Assembly called the Homestead Act, selected and set apart “as a homestead for myself and family, . . .the tract of land whereon I now live, lying near Mechanics River, known as the home place, being the same tract of land bought by Jno. W. Kidd from Charles Bailey . . .containing 180¾ acres, and worth about \$2000.”

Margaret signed this deed, and it was recorded on 26 June 1871.<sup>268</sup>

1880 – **Margaret Kidd**, the widow of John W. Kidd, is found on the 1880 Mortality census for the Charlottesville District of Albemarle County, listed as a widow, aged 79, who died in November 1879 from pneumonia. She is enumerated below the entry for John M. Kidd, a laborer aged 44, single, who died in December 1879 of apoplexy. [This was her eldest son.] Both resided in Household #25 in Enumeration District 11; this was the household of her son Benjamin W. Kidd and his family.<sup>269</sup>

<sup>268</sup> Ibid, DB 66, page 342, retrieved from FHL #1889080, images 564 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

<sup>269</sup> U.S. Federal Census, Charlottesville District, Albemarle County, VA, ED 11, page 261A, image 5 of 38 on Ancestry.com. This record ties this Margaret Kidd to family unit and her two known sons, Benjamin W. and John M. Kidd.

The death record of their daughter Julia Kidd, who died in Charlottesville on 7 Feb 1919 at the age of 80, lists her parents as John M. [W.] Kidd and Margaret McClure, her date of birth as 5 March 1838, and her place of birth as Albemarle County.

**MARTHA KIDD [see also Patsey Kidd]**

1810 – A Patsey Kid is the only Kidd to appear on the federal census in St. Anne’s Parish in Albemarle County in 1810.

**Patsey Kidd** – 1WM 26-44 & 1 WF 26-44. No slaves.

1815 – A **Patsey Kidd** appears for the first and only time on the Albemarle County, VA PPTLs in this year on Edward Garland's list. She's taxed only on two horses (no WM tithes). She's does not appear again on the Albemarle County PPTLs through 1851.

1820 – A Martha Kidd appears on the Albemarle County census in 1820. Since Patsy is a common nickname for Martha, this may be the same household listed on the 1810 census.

**Martha Kidd:** 1 WM 26-44 and 1 WF 26-44

1860 – On the federal census in Albemarle County, VA (Fredericksville Parish), living in the county or parish poorhouse, p. 157:

**Patty Kidd** 98WF VA pauper cannot read or write

Note: While this may not be the same woman appearing on the 1810 and 1820 censuses, the

Since Patsy is a common nickname for Martha, these may be the same person. See Patsey Kidd below.

**MARY/POLLY KIDD DAVIS, daughter of Aaron and Susannah Kidd of Albemarle County Married John Davis after August 1775**

1775 – The will<sup>270</sup> of Aaron Kidd was written 28 Aug 1775 and proven at Albemarle County March court 1776, detailing bequests of “my worldly estate”:

To “my loving wife Susannah Kidd,” a life estate unless she marries, and if she does, her dowry according to law. “My desire is that all her children live with her, all that do not choose to go from her, to keep the estate together.”

To “my son William Kidd, all my land the other side of the North River [also known as the Rivanna River], where I formerly lived, to him and his heirs forever”

“This tract of land whereon I live to be equally divided between two sons Benjamin and Samuel Kidd to them and their heirs forever. After my wife’s decease, only Samuel Kidd to have the house and improvements.”

To “my daughter Milly Baltimore one cow” [Note: Milly/Mildred married Christopher Baltimore.]

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<sup>270</sup> Albemarle Co VA Will Book 2 (1752-1785), pp. 337-338, retrieved from Familysearch.org, FHL #30211, image 179 of 433. Scanned images of this will are available from the authors.

“All the rest of my personal estate to be equally divided between my three daughters **Mary** and Sarah and Annah **Kidd**” [Note: Mary/Polly married John Davis, Sarah/Sally married Charles Clements, and Ann married Thomas Elliott.]

“After my wife Susannah Kidd’s decease,” desire is that neighbor Richard Omohundro and son Benjamin Kidd stand as executors. Witnesses: Stephen Seay, Joseph Bolling, Richard Omohundro. Aaron Kidd signed by mark. Proven at Albemarle March Court 1776 by oath of witnesses and ordered to be recorded, John Nicholas, clerk.

She was not married at the time her father’s will was written. As Polly Davis, she is named in the 1821 Fluvanna County Chancery Court suit over the estate of her brother Samuel Kidd.

**MARY A. KIDD, married William H. Kidd in 1834 in Albemarle County**

1834 – a William H. Kidd married **Mary A. Kidd**, Feb. 26, 1834 in Albemarle County.<sup>271</sup> Another abstract of this record names the bondsman as Joel Vest, and the witness as Ira Garrett.<sup>272</sup> Mary gives her own consent. William H. Kidd signs by his x mark. Other witnesses were Charles Kidd and G.W. Sutter.<sup>273</sup>

We found no other records of Mary A. Kidd in Albemarle County.

**MARY ANN KIDD, married George Wood in 1826 in Albemarle County**

**Likely died before 1831**

1826 – An Albemarle County marriage bond was issued to **Mary Ann Kidd** and George Wood on 27 November 1826; they were married on 29 November 1826 by John Shepherd, minister.<sup>274</sup> The bondsman was John W. Kidd, who also affirms that Mary Ann Kidd was over 21. Mary Ann gives her own written consent. Witnesses were A. Barksdale and John W. Kidd.<sup>275</sup>

Note: Mary Ann may have died a few years after their marriage. A George Wood married Salley Hamblett on 2 February 1831 in Nelson County,<sup>276</sup> and then married Decey (Dicey) Coffee on 24 Nov 1845 in Nelson County.<sup>277</sup>

**MILLY/MILDRED KIDD BALTIMORE – daughter of Aaron and Susannah Kidd of Albemarle County  
Married Christopher Baltimore before August 1775**

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<sup>271</sup> *Marriages of Albemarle County and Charlottesville, VA, 1781-1929*, by William L. Norford, p. 112.

<sup>272</sup> Recall that Ira Garrett also witnessed the 1838 Albemarle County marriage of Sarah Kidd to John Clarke and the 1841 Albemarle County marriage of Nancy Kidd to George D. Leebrick/Lebrick.

<sup>273</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt & T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, p. 187.

<sup>274</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt, p. 532, citing Albemarle Marr. Reg., 1806-1868, fol. 37.

<sup>275</sup> *Ibid*, citing “B/C Papers, 1822-1829.”

<sup>276</sup> Virginia, Select Marriages, 1785-1940, on Ancestry.com, citing FHL #32734, p. 27. I have not seen the original record.

<sup>277</sup> Virginia, Select Marriages, 1785-1940, on Ancestry.com, citing FHL #32734, p. 49. I have not seen the original record.

1775 – Milly Kidd was married by the time her father Aaron Kidd wrote his will in Albemarle County.

The will<sup>278</sup> of Aaron Kidd was written 28 Aug 1775 and proven at Albemarle County March court 1776, detailing bequests of “my worldly estate”:

To “my loving wife Susannah Kidd,” a life estate unless she marries, and if she does, her dowry according to law. “My desire is that all her children live with her, all that do not choose to go from her, to keep the estate together.”

To “my son William Kidd, all my land the other side of the North River [also known as the Rivanna River], where I formerly lived, to him and his heirs forever”

“This tract of land whereon I live to be equally divided between two sons Benjamin and Samuel Kidd to them and their heirs forever. After my wife’s decease, only Samuel Kidd to have the house and improvements.”

To “my daughter **Milly Baltimore** one cow” [Note: Milly/Mildred married Christopher Baltimore.]

“All the rest of my personal estate to be equally divided between my three daughters Mary and Sarah and Annah Kidd” [Note: Mary/Polly married John Davis, Sarah/Sally married Charles Clements, and Ann married Thomas Elliott.]

“After my wife Susannah Kidd’s decease,” desire is that neighbor Richard Omohundro and son Benjamin Kidd stand as executors. Witnesses: Stephen Seay, Joseph Bolling, Richard Omohundro. Aaron Kidd signed by mark. Proven at Albemarle March Court 1776 by oath of witnesses and ordered to be recorded, John Nicholas, clerk.

Milly Kidd Baltimore moved to Cumberland County, VA, where she wrote her will 22 Oct 1807.<sup>279</sup> Her daughter Elizabeth Baltimore married James B. Kidd. The heirs of Milly Baltimore, deceased, are named in the 1821 Fluvanna County Chancery Court suit over the estate of her brother Samuel Kidd.

### **MORNING/MOURNING (PARISH/FARISH) KIDD, the daughter of Henry**

**Parish/Farish,<sup>280</sup> and the second wife of James<sup>3</sup> Kidd**

**Born unknown**

**Married by 19 Oct 1755 in Goochland County**

**Date and place of death unknown, most likely in Buckingham County**

1753 – On 3 March 1753, Henry Parish, the father of Ruth and **Morning Parish**, signed his will in Goochland County.<sup>281</sup> In it, he bequeathed to his sons Henry and Solaman [Solomon] “after my wife’s death, the land and plantation whereon I now live to them and their heirs forever and my will is if my wife should marry then the land shall be equally divided betwixt my two sons at the age on twenty-one years.”

Item: To wife Mary all stock and moveable estate “during her widowhood and at her death or marage (sic) my will is all stocks and moveable estate only two shillings stirling be equally divided betwixt my wife and seven children Mary, **Morning**, Elizabeth, Jerusa, Henry, Sarah,

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<sup>278</sup> Albemarle Co VA Will Book 2 (1752-1785), pp. 337-338, retrieved from Familysearch.org, FHL #30211, image 179 of 433. Scanned images of this will are available from the authors.

<sup>279</sup> Cumberland Co VA Will Book 3, p. 407.

<sup>280</sup> She is named as one of Henry Parish’s daughters in his 1753 will.

<sup>281</sup> This will was recorded in Goochland Co, VA Deed Book 6, pages 324-325, and was retrieved from FHL #31655, image 181 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).



and Solaman [Solomon].

Item: I give unto my dafter Ruth one shilling sterling. Item: I give unto my dafter Ann one shilling sterling.”

I constitute and appoint my son in law John Green my executor and my wife my executrix...” Signed Henry Parish [H his mark] [seal]

Witnesses were John Parish [his mark], David Massie, John Green

This will was proven in Goochland County Court by the oath of John Parish and ordered to be recorded on 20 Nov 1753.

1755 – James Kid and **Mourning Parish** “both in this parish” were married by 19 Oct 1755, in St. James Northam Parish, Goochland County, by the Rev. William Douglas.<sup>282</sup> [Note: The dates in the Douglas Register can represent the date by which an event (marriage or birth) had occurred. James’s brother John Kidd had married Morning’s sister Ruth Parish prior to 1749 in Goochland County.]

1756 – On 6 Aug 1756, Dicea Kidd, daughter of James Kidd [the published book says Kill, an apparent transcription error] and **Morning Parish**, was born. She was baptized 5 Sept 1756 by the Rev. William Douglas, St. James Northam Parish, Goochland County.<sup>283</sup>

1759 – On 11 Jan 1759, Mary Kidd, daughter of James Kidd [the published book says Caid, an apparent transcription error] and **Morning Parish**, was born. She was baptized 18 Feb 1759 by the Rev. William Douglas, St. James Northam Parish, Goochland County.<sup>284</sup>

1761 – On 3 Feb 1761, Sally Kidd, daughter of James Kidd and **Morning Parish**, was born. She was baptized 29 Mar 1761 by the Rev. William Douglas, St. James Northam Parish, Goochland County.<sup>285</sup>

These are the only records found that name Morning Parish, wife of James<sup>3</sup> Kidd of Goochland, Albemarle, and Buckingham Counties. Note: She is not the same woman as Mourning Hicks, who married James Kidd in 1786 in Halifax County VA.

### **MOSES KIDD, parents unknown**

**Married Milly Clark, and father of Zachariah, Moses Jr. and Harmon Kidd**

**Born by 1747 and probably by 1743<sup>286</sup>, place of birth and place unknown**

**Left records in five different central Virginia counties<sup>287</sup>**

**Likely died in Nelson County in 1809**

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<sup>282</sup> *The Douglas Register*, pp. 30, 80, 109 citing p. 2 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com. His surname is mis-indexed as KILL on Ancestry’s index.

<sup>283</sup> *The Douglas Register*, p. 167, citing p. 49 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

<sup>284</sup> *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 54 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

<sup>285</sup> *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 59 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

<sup>286</sup> Though not explicitly stated in his 1768 marriage record, he was likely at least 21 years of age at that time; the average age at marriage for males was more like 25 years old.

<sup>287</sup> In chronological order, these were Goochland (1768), Albemarle (1768 -~1775), Fluvanna (1777-1782), back to Albemarle (1784-1786), Amherst (1788-1807), and Nelson (1808 counties. We are confident that all of these records belong to the same Moses Kidd, because he’s never found in two or more counties at the same time, and because his son Zachariah is seen in the same counties.

1768 – **Moses Kidd** and Milly Clark were married on 29 Sept 1768, likely in Goochland County,<sup>288</sup> by the Rev. William Douglas, St. James Northam Parish, Goochland County. They were noted as “both of **Albemarle**,” meaning they were residents of Albemarle County.

1774 – Lewis Kidd and **Moses Kidd** are named as debtors to John Lyle in Albemarle County in 1774.<sup>289</sup>

Before 1777 – Aron Kidd, Benjamin Kidd, John Kidd, Lewis Kidd, **Moses Kidd** and Saml Kidd were among the signers of a petition to the Virginia General Assembly for the separation of Fluvanna County from Albemarle County. Lewis Kidd and **Moses Kidd** appear next to each other on the list of petitioners; on the same page, but listed separately from each other, are Benjamin Kidd, Saml Kidd, John Kidd, and Aron Kidd. The petition language identifies the petitioners as resident in the southern part of Albemarle County, 20 to 35 miles from the courthouse, with poor mountainous roads, and two rivers and many rapid creeks to cross along the way.<sup>290</sup>

1777 – Fluvanna County was created from the southeastern part of Albemarle County on 5 May 1777.

Fluvanna County August 1777 Court. The several Surveyors of the Roads in this County, continued as appointed by Albemarle Court.

Ordered that the hands of Allen Cocke where Richard Bennett is overseer, hands of Robert Payne, Julius Saunders Jr., Julius Saunders Sr., Lewis Kidd, Jno. Kidd, **Moses Kid**, James Webb, Edward Rice, David Wade, hands of Jno. Harris, hands of Walter King where Jno. Key is overseer, work on the road whereof Jno. Key is Surveyor until the next court.<sup>291</sup>

1778 – at the November Court for Fluvanna County, **Moses Kidd** presented the will of Jesse Clark, deceased, and proved it in Court.<sup>292</sup> [Note: Jesse Clark was possibly Milly Clark’s brother.]

1779 – Fluvanna County Court, 2 Sept 1779. Ordered that the hands belonging to Austin Sea [Seay], Stephen Clements, Benj. Lea [Seay], Robert B. Paine, Lewis Kidd, **Moses Kidd**, John Kidd, Allen Cock (on the W. River), John Harris, Richd. Chandler, Julius Sanders Senr., Julius Sanders Junr., John Rice, William Rice, Sa\_\_ville [Sacheville] King, John (Nice?), Thomas Down, Thos. Linthecum, & Thos. Appleberry work on the road whereof John Sea [Seay] is appointed Surveyor.<sup>293</sup>

1782, 1784-1786 – A **Moses Kidd** first appears on the Albemarle County VA PPTLs in 1782, and then again in 1784-1786, after which no further mention of him is found in Albemarle County.

1785 – The following Kidds appeared on the Albemarle County “List of Inhabitants” of 1785:<sup>294</sup>

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<sup>288</sup> *Some Virginia Marriages, 1700-1799*, compiled by Cecil McDonald Jr., vol. 14, p. 9.

<sup>289</sup> Albemarle County DB 6, p. 367-370. This citation comes from one of the Sparacio books, and their names were in a long list of those owing money to John Lyle, evidently a merchant in Albemarle County at the time of his death.

<sup>290</sup> Fluvanna County Historical Society Bulletin 1:6 (reviewed by RK at Jones Memorial Library, April 2013).

<sup>291</sup> FHL #31476, Item 1, Fluvanna County OB, August 1777 – May 1779, p. 2.

<sup>292</sup> Fluvanna County, OB, 1777-1779, p. 35 (from FHL #31476, reviewed by RK at Bellevue, WA FHC 7/2/13).

<sup>293</sup> FHL #31476, Item 2, Fluvanna County OB, June 1779- August 1782, p. 7.

<sup>294</sup> See FHL #1854091, List of Inhabitants, Albemarle County, 1785, image 31. Sometimes called “Heads of Families,” these lists were special supplementary enumerations mandated by the Virginia State Assembly, distinct from the annual County PPTLs and LTLs.

Owner's Name	No. White Souls	No. dwelling houses	Out Houses	Slave cabins	Mills	Image #
Benjamin Kidd	2	1	0	0	0	31
Jno. Norman Kidd	1	1	0	0	0	31
Wm Kidd	2	1	0	0	0	31
Duet (sic) Kidd	9	1	0	0	0	31
<b>Moses Kidd</b>	9	1	0	0	0	31

Moses had a large household, of 9 white persons, on this 1785 list of inhabitants. This likely included himself, his wife Milly, sons Allen, Zachariah, Moses Jr., and Harmon, unnamed daughters, or hired hands or other relatives.

By 1788, Moses and his family had moved to Amherst County, where they remained though 1807. By 1809, they were living in Nelson County, Virginia, where Moses evidently died. By 1810, his widow Milly and sons Zachariah, Moses Jr., Harmon had moved to Knox County, Kentucky. **See our Nelson County compilation for all the records we have found for Moses and his family.**

**NANCY KIDD, likely the daughter of Joseph Kidd Sr. and Ann (Nancy) Johnson  
Born ca 1820, likely in Nelson County  
Married George D. Leebrick in 1841 in Albemarle County**

1841 – **Nancy Kidd** married George D. Leebrick in Albemarle County VA on 18 November 1841.<sup>295</sup> The bondsman was Charles Kidd, who also affirms that Nancy was over the age of 21. Witness was Ira Garrett. Charles Kidd signed by x mark.<sup>296</sup>

**PATSEY KIDD(s)**

1810 – A Patsey Kid is the only Kidd to appear on the federal census in St. Anne’s Parish in Albemarle County in 1810.

**Patsey Kidd** – 1WM 26-44 & 1 WF 26-44. No slaves.

1815 – A **Patsey Kidd** appears for the first and only time on the Albemarle County, VA PPTLs in this year on Edward Garland's list. She's taxed only on two horses (no WM tithes). She's does not appear again on the Albemarle County PPTLs through 1851.

1820 – A **Martha Kidd** appears on the Albemarle County census in 1820. Since Patsy is a common nickname for Martha, this may be the same household listed on the 1810 census. She is listed next door to Pleasant Kidd, as the only two Kidd household heads on the Albemarle County 1820 federal census:

<sup>295</sup> A digital image of this record was found and retrieved on Familysearch.org, FHL #1889165 – *Albemarle County Marriage Books, 1837-1842*, image 971 of 1165. It is saved in the Nelson County Marriage Records subfolder and in the Albemarle County Marriage Records subfolder.

<sup>296</sup> *Albemarle County Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt, page 532, citing Marr. Reg. 1806-1868, fol. 80, and “B/C Papers, 1837-1842.”

**Martha Kidd:** 1 WM 26-44 and 1 WF 26-44

1860 – On the federal census in Albemarle County, VA (Fredericksville Parish), living in the county poorhouse, p. 157:

**Patty Kidd** 98WF VA pauper cannot read or write

Note: While this may not be the same woman appearing on the 1810 and 1820 censuses, the age and name fit with that possibility.

**PLEASANT KIDD, parents unknown**

**Born between 1766-1780**

**Married Sarah Farrell in 1802 in Albemarle County**

**Died between 1821-1825, likely in Albemarle County**

It is possible that Pleasant Kidd was the son of Duel Kidd, who lived in the southeastern part of Albemarle County. Other sons of Duel Kidd may have been Charles Kidd (died 1856 in Albemarle County) and Joseph Kidd, who married Ann (Nancy) Johnson in 1795 in Albemarle County. While this theory needs additional research, all these men lived in the area, had limited assets, and apparently were illiterate.

1801 – A **Pleasant Kidd** appears on the Albemarle County VA PPTLs in 1801, with one WM tithe, and no tax. He drops from these tax lists in 1802 and doesn't reappear for more than a decade.

1802 – A **Pleasant Kidd** married Sarah Farrell in Albemarle County VA on 20 December 1802.<sup>297</sup> Another abstract of this marriage lists the bondsman as James Farrell and the witness as John Carr. Minister Martin Dawson Sr.<sup>298</sup>

1813-1820 – A decade later, a **Pleasant Kidd** reappears on the Albemarle County PPTLs in 1813; he then appears almost annually through 1820:

YEAR	NAME	Tithe	OTHER
1813A	Pleasant	1 tithe, no tax listed	
1814	Pleasant	1 tithe, 1 horse	other list
1815	Pleasant	1 tithe, 2 horses	1st part, Edward Garland list
1816	Pleasant	1 tithe	Edward Garland list
1817	Pleasant Kid	1 tithe	Fleming Garland list
1819	Pleasant Kid	1 tithe	1st list
1820	Pleasant	1 tithe	

1815 - Albemarle County Court, 8 August 1815. James Norvell, plaintiff, against **Pleasant Kidd**, defendant. Pleasant Kidd requested and received relief from a debt owed to Norvell through the benefit of an act passed by the General Assembly for the relief of insolvent debtors.<sup>299</sup>

<sup>297</sup> *Marriages of Albemarle County and Charlottesville, VA, 1781-1929*, by William L. Norford, p. 111.

<sup>298</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt & T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, p. 187.

<sup>299</sup> FHL microfilm #30261, Item 2 of 3, Albemarle County Order Book, 5 June 1815 – 6 June 1816, p. 95, image 352.

1820 – **Pleasant Kidd** is one of only two Kidd household heads on the Albemarle County 1820 federal census (the other being Martha Kidd, living next door):

Martha Kidd – 1M 26-44 and 1 F 26-44. One in agriculture.

**Pleasant Kidd** – 2WM<10, 3M 10-15 & 1>44; 4F<10, 1 10-15 & 1 26-44.

Two in manufacturing and one in agriculture.

1821 – This **Pleasant Kidd** drops from the Albemarle County PPTLs in 1821. Based upon the records below, we think that Pleasant Kidd likely died sometime after the 1820 census, and before the 1825 Albemarle PPTLs.

1825 – A Sarah Kidd first appears on the Albemarle County, VA PPTLs in 1825, as Sarah Kidd and son, through 1827. In 1828, she has 1 tithe, without the “and son” descriptor. This may be Pleasant Kidd’s widow, which would signify he died by 1825.

YEAR	NAME	TITHES	OTHER
1825B	Sarah Kidd and son	no tithe, 1 horse, .12 tax	Geo M. Woods list
1826B	Sarah Kidd and son	no tithe, 1 horse, .12 tax	Geo M. Woods list
1827B	Sarah Kidd and son	1 tithe, 1 horse	Geo M. Woods list
1828B	Sarah Kid	1 horse; no son listed now	

1827 – On 27 August 1827, the Albemarle County Court appointed Samuel W. Harris to be the guardian of William Kidd, orphan of **Pleasant Kidd**.<sup>300</sup>

This William Kidd is likely to be the one white male tithe in Sarah Kidd’s household in 1827; he likely reached the taxable age or sixteen years in the previous year. If so, he was probably born circa 1811, judging from the 1820 federal census.

We have found no further records for Pleasant Kidd in Albemarle County or elsewhere.

**PLEASANT E. KIDD, the brother of John W. Kidd of Albemarle County, VA**

**Born abt 1823, likely in Albemarle County**

**Migrated to Pike County, Missouri, where he married Mary Caroline Ashbaugh in 1854**

**Died 18 November 1893 in Sebastian County, Arkansas**

1844-1849 – **Pleasant E. Kidd** appears on the Albemarle County PPTLs, taxed on his own tithe and other assets.

YEAR	NAME	TITHE	OTHER
1844A	Pleasant E.	1 tithe	Ira Harris list
1846B	Pleasant E.	1 tithe	
1847B	Pleasant E.	1 tithe	
1848A	Pleasant E.	1 tithe, 1 other watch of value, 1 metallic clock	Ira Harris list
1849A	Pleasant E.	1 tithe, 1 adult slave, 1 young slave, 2 clocks	

<sup>300</sup> “The Court Doh Order”: extracts from Albemarle and Charlottesville order, law order and minute books, 1800-1900, by Sam Towler, New Papyrus Publishing, Athens, GA, 2009, page 72, citing the 1827 Court Order Book, p. 269.

Pleasant E. Kidd drops from the Albemarle PPTLs after 1849 and does not reappear.

1849 – George M. Kidd married Martha Ann Wash on 13 November 1849 in Albemarle County.<sup>301</sup> Another transcription of this record lists the bride as "Minnie Ann Wash." A third names the minister as John S. Abell, and states that the bondsman was **Pleasant E. Kidd**, who was also a witness.<sup>302</sup>

1850 – On the federal census in Albemarle County VA, p. 241B, HH 1230:

McQueary, Thomas H. 26WM farmer \$(blank) VA

" , Sarah 27FW VA

" , Wilmina 5FW VA

**Kidd, Pleasant** 27MW (no occupation listed) Real Estate \$1200 VA

His "real estate" listed on the 1850 census apparently was the slaves listed in his 1849 PPTL entry. His 1860 federal census (see below) entry suggests that he took these slaves to Missouri.

On 9 November 1850, **P. E. Kidd**, with John W. Kidd evidently as his security, entered into a bond with Hudson Burton in the amount of \$151. By 5 July 1851, the amount due had been reduced by partial payments to \$75.90, bearing interest from that time till paid.<sup>303</sup>

Burton subsequently assigned this note to John Wood Jr., who assigned it to David Hansborough on 7 March 1861. Hansborough then wrote a note to John W. Kidd, seeking payment.<sup>304</sup> In a letter dated 23 March 1861, John W. Kidd of Ivy Depot, VA replied to Hansborough,<sup>305</sup> stating that he thought the note had been paid, reading in part ... "When my brother left the state, had I known the note was unpaid, I could have had it settled." ... Hansborough sued John W. Kidd and his heirs for payment of this debt, filing his suit in Albemarle County Court on 19 November 1862; a final decree was issued 14 May 1864 in favor of Hansborough, the Plaintiff.

1854 – Pleasant E. Kidd migrated to Missouri sometime after 1850, where he was married in Pike County:

On 16 November 1854, Mr. **Pleasant E. Kidd** and Miss Mary C. Ashbaugh, both of Pike County, were married in Pike County, MO by David C. Liles, a licensed minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church South.<sup>306</sup>

1856 – On 4 September 1856, Daniel E. Thompson and Cynthia J. Thompson his wife of Pike County, MO, sold to **Pleasant E. Kidd of Lincoln County, MO**, for \$400, two parcels of

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<sup>301</sup> *Virginia Marriages, 1740-1850*, at Ancestry.com.

<sup>302</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt & T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, p. 187.

<sup>303</sup> Information about this suit can be found online in Albemarle County Chancery Court Case 1876-008, images 34-36 and images 58-59, among others.

<sup>304</sup> *Ibid*, image 34.

<sup>305</sup> *Ibid*, image 58.

<sup>306</sup> Missouri, U. S., Marriage Records, 1805-2002 on Ancestry.com.

land adjoining the town of Paynesville, Pike County, MO.<sup>307</sup>

We found no further deeds for Pleasant Kidd in Pike County MO, either as buyer or seller.<sup>308</sup>

1860 – On the 1860 federal census in Calumet twp., Pike County MO, Pleasant Kidd appears with his family, on page 329, HH 1356/1332:

**P. E. Kidd** 34MW farm laborer \$0 real estate/\$420 personal estate Virginia

Caroline “ 23FW domestic Missouri

John A. “ 5MW Missouri

James H. “ 4MW Missouri

William T “ 2MW Missouri

Sarah Dotey 23FW domestic Missouri

1863 – **Pleasant E. Kidd’s** name is found on a list of Pike County MO men who registered for the Union military draft in July 1863. He was listed as 41 years old, born in Virginia.<sup>309</sup>

1870 – He is again found in Calumet twp., Pike County MO on the 1870 federal census, page 101, HH 39/39:

**Pleasant E. Kidd** 48MW Farmer \$0/\$190 VA

Mary “ 34FW keeping house Missouri

John “ 14MW farm laborer MO attended school within the year

James “ 12MW ditto MO attended school within the year

William “ 11MW ditto MO attended school within the year

Carey “ 9MW ditto MO attended school within the year

Charles “ 5MW twins at home MO

Benjamin “ 5MW twins at home MO

Addie “ 1FW MO

1880 – We have been unable to find Pleasant E. Kidd or his family on the 1880 federal census, either in Missouri or Arkansas, where he died in 1893.

1893 – **P. E. Kidd** died on 18 November 1893 in Ft. Smith, Sebastian County, AR at the age of 71. The cause of his death was “internal injuries,” according to this record.<sup>310</sup> His place of burial is listed in this record as the City Cemetery; this cemetery was also called Oak Cemetery, according to Findagrave.com. No headstone marks his grave, to our knowledge.

1900 – At the time of the 1900 federal census, Pleasant’s wife Mary Caroline is listed as Marie C. Kidd, born April 1835 in Missouri, widowed, and the mother of 10 children, only 4 living in 1900. She is in the household of their son Benjamin and his family in Fort Smith, Sebastian County, AR; also in the household are Benjamin’s older brother William, listed as single, and their younger sister Addie and her husband and daughter.

1910 – Mary Kidd is again on the federal census in Fort Smith, Sebastian County AR; living with her is her adult son William.

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<sup>307</sup> Pike County, Missouri Deed Book R, pages 188-189, retrieved from FHL #974443, image 438 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

<sup>308</sup> Several Pike County, MO deeds exist for William Kidd, Pleasant’s son.

<sup>309</sup> U.S., Civil War Draft Registrations Records, 1863-1865, on Ancestry.com.

<sup>310</sup> "Arkansas, Sebastian County Births and Deaths, 1877-1963," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:XZHB-9YV> : 3 November 2021), P. E. Kidd, 18 Nov 1893; citing P-34, Fort Smith Public Library, Fort Smith; FHL microfilm 1,034,198.

1915 – Pleasant E. Kidd's wife Mary Caroline Ashbaugh died 11 September 1915 in Fort Smith, Sebastian County, AR.<sup>311</sup> This death record names her parents as A. Ashbaugh and Margaret M. Milton. She's buried there in Oak Cemetery, as are other members of the family.<sup>312</sup>

Reiley Kidd has created a public tree at Ancestry.com for John W. Kidd and his brother Pleasant E. Kidd, for the benefit of researchers of this line. The tree can be viewed at <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/193714176/family?cfpid=362523799443&fpid=362523799741>

**ROBERT KIDD**, son of **William2 Kidd** and his wife **Margaret (maiden name unknown)** of **Middlesex County VA**  
**Robert3 (William2, Thomas1) Kidd**  
**Born in 1703 in Middlesex County**  
**Disappears from central Virginia records after 1747**

Note: Robert Kidd, along with his siblings Moses, Duel, John, Aaron, James, and Margaret who married John Southern, migrated out of Middlesex County, VA sometime after his parents' deaths in 1727. He is found in Essex County in 1725, Henrico County in 1735 and 1740, in Goochland County in 1732/33 and again in 1743-1745, then in Albemarle County in 1746 and 1747, after which he disappears from the Virginia records. No wife or children of Robert Kidd have been identified.

1703 – **Robert Kidd** was baptized on 20 July 1703 in Middlesex County.<sup>313</sup>

1725 – 18 August 1725, Essex County court. Jane Kidd and **Robert Kidd** each make oath that they had attended four days as a witness in the suit of Thomas Bryant against James Turner. Thomas was ordered to pay each of them for same, and for three times coming 37 miles with three shillings & nine pence for ferriages, according to Law with costs.<sup>314</sup> [Note: Jane and Robert came from another location to appear in court, perhaps from Middlesex County, though no ferry would have been needed to reach court. Jane was Robert's sister and the wife of John Gregory.]

19 August 1725, Essex County court. Both Jane Kidd and **Robert Kidd** made oath that they had attended five days as evidence for Thos. Bryant against James Turner and three times going 37 miles and one shilling & three pence for ferriages according to law with costs.<sup>315</sup> Later on the same day, Thomas Bryant was ordered to pay Jane Kidd and **Robert Kidd** for one day's attendance as an Evidence according to Law, with costs.<sup>316</sup>

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<sup>311</sup> "Arkansas, Sebastian County Births and Deaths, 1877-1963," database, *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:XZHR-DWY> : 3 November 2021), Mary C. Kidd, 11 Sep 1915; citing P 89, Fort Smith Public Library, Fort Smith; FHL microfilm 1,034,198.

<sup>312</sup> Findagrave.com, Memorial #335513546.

<sup>313</sup> Christ Church Parish Register, p. 55.

<sup>314</sup> *Order Book Abstracts of Essex County, Virginia, 1723-1725, Part 2*, by Ruth and Sam Sparacio, Antient Press, 1989, p. 69, citing OB page 304 (Jane) and 305 (for Robert).

<sup>315</sup> *Ibid*, p. 77

<sup>316</sup> *Ibid*, p. 79.



1732/33 – March 1732/33, Goochland County Court. Worley vs Kid. The action of Trespass on the case between John Worley, Plaintiff, and **Robert Kid**, Defendant, is dismissed the Plaintiff not prosecuting the same.<sup>317</sup>

1735 – 13 Sept 1736. **Robert Kidd** is named in a Henrico County store account for Thomas Tanner, who may have been his employer. “Dr. [debit] 1736. 2 levys, 150 acres and new patent for 400 acres.” Various debts and credits listed, with the notation "by the county levy and by the publick levy" followed by the words “Cash pd by **Robt Kidd**.”<sup>318</sup> [Note: A Patent for Thomas Tanner for 400 acres in Henrico County, north side of Appomattox River, was filed 1 Aug 1734.]

1740 – December 1740, Henrico County Court. The petition Exhibited by Thomas Jordan, Plaintiff, agst. **Robert Kid**, Defendant, is dismissed, the Plaintiff failing to prosecute the same.<sup>319</sup>

1743 – March 1742/43, Goochland County Court. Howard vs. Kersey. Action of debt. Allin Howard vs. Edward Kersey. Kersey did not appear in court, judgment awarded to Howard for £3, 11s, 4 1/2 d due by note dated 19 July MDCCXLII [1742].

Next entry: Kid vs. Howard. **Robert Kid** a witness for Allin Howard v Edward Kersey. Howard ordered to pay him 100 pounds tobacco for 4 days attendance.<sup>320</sup>

Goochland County, September Court 1743. Joseph Walton vs. **Robert Kidd**, case continued.<sup>321</sup>

Goochland County, October Court 1743. William Hamlin vs. **Robert Kidd**, case continued.<sup>322</sup>

Goochland County, November Court 1743. On the Petition of Joseph Walton against **Robert Kid**, the Defendant pleads Covenants perform'd and the etc. takes Issue thereon.<sup>323</sup>

1744 – Goochland County, March Court 1743/44. William Hamlin vs. **Robert Kidd**. Kidd not appearing, Hamlin awarded 200 lbs. of tobacco due for 1 year's rent, plus costs and 1/2 of lawyers fees.<sup>324</sup> This entry states that the petition had been delivered (“executed”) to the Defendant.

Goochland County, May Court 1744. Action of Trespass. **Robert Kidd** vs. Sam'l Christian.

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<sup>317</sup> *Goochland County Virginia: Court Order Book 3, 1731-1735*, by Ann K. Blomquist, Heritage Books, 2006, p. 168, citing OB page 141.

<sup>318</sup> *Virginia Colonial Abstracts*, vol. III, p. 363: “Henrico Co Southside 1736”

<sup>319</sup> *Virginia in 1740: A Reconstructed Census*, by T.L.C. Genealogy, Miami Beach, FL, 1992.

The record itself is found in Henrico Order Book, 1737-1746, page 130, found on Henrico reel 66, item 3, at the Library of Virginia, May 15, 2019 by RK. Scanned image available.

<sup>320</sup> Goochland County Order Book 5, p. 204.

<sup>321</sup> Goochland County Order Book 5, p. 269.

<sup>322</sup> Goochland County Order Book 5, p. 305.

<sup>323</sup> *Goochland County Virginia: Court Order Book 5, 1741-1745*, by Ann K. Blomquist, Heritage Books, 2007, p. 306, citing OB 5:318.

<sup>324</sup> Goochland County Order Book 5, p. 381.

Defendant did not appear. Conditional judgment granted the plaintiff against the defendant and the sheriff. Discharge of damages to be awarded if the defendant appears at the next court.<sup>325</sup>

Goochland County, May Court 1744. Joseph Walton vs. **Robert Kidd**. Suit for £3 due by note dated 25 May MDCCXLIV [1744] "conditioned for the building [of] one house according to the Dimensions therein specified. The parties being heard and the witnesses examined it is considered that the petition be dismissed with costs."<sup>326</sup>

Goochland County, July Court 1744. The Action of Trespass on the Case between **Robt. Kid**, Plaintiff, and James Christian, Defendant, is continued.<sup>327</sup>

September Court 1744. On the Petition brought by Samuel Jordan against **Robert Kidd** for 51 shillings and five pence due by account...the Defendant failing to appear though summoned, the Court ruled that the Plaintiff recover this amount, plus costs and half a lawyer's fee.<sup>328</sup>

1745 – Contained in the collection of Cabell Family Papers held at the College of William and Mary's Swem Library is an item titled "Debts of **Robert Kidd**, signed by H. Wood, March 1744-May 1745." Materials in this collection cover Cabell family correspondence and business in Albemarle, Amherst, and Goochland Counties.<sup>329</sup>

1746 – Albemarle County 14 Aug 1746 Court. **Robert Kidd** against Samuel Spencer, Tres. x. Aft. (Assault?). The two parties informed the court through their attorneys that they have mutually agreed that this suit be dismissed. Court ordered the dismissal accordingly.<sup>330</sup> **Robert Kidd** against Samuel Spencer, In Can (?). As above, dismissed by agreement of the parties.<sup>331</sup>

Albemarle County, 15 Aug 1746 Court. **Robert Kidd** was a juror in Albemarle County Court.<sup>332</sup>

Albemarle County 12 Sept 1746 Court. **Robert Kidd** makes oath to five days' attendance as evidence for Richard Fletcher Gregory against Samuel Spencer. Ordered that Gregory do pay the said Kidd 125 lb. for said attendance.<sup>333</sup>

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<sup>325</sup> Goochland County Order Book 5, p. 398,

<sup>326</sup> Goochland County Order Book 5, p. 404.

<sup>327</sup> *Goochland County Virginia: Court Order Book 5, 1741-1745*, by Ann K. Blomquist, Heritage Books, 2007, p. 445, citing OB 5:469.

<sup>328</sup> *Goochland County Virginia: Court Order Book 5, 1741-1745*, by Ann K. Blomquist, Heritage Books, 2007, p.471, citing OB 5:496.

<sup>329</sup> "Inventory of the Cabell Family Papers 1693-1913, 1743-1823," Manuscripts and Rare Books Dept, Swem Library, College of William and Mary, Collection Number MSS 65 C 12, Box 1, Folder 10.

<sup>330</sup> FHL microfilm #30255, Item 1 of 2, Albemarle County Order Book, February 1744 - March 1748, p. 146, image 84, via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

<sup>331</sup> Ibid.

<sup>332</sup> Ibid, p. 157, image 90.

<sup>333</sup> Ibid, p. 174, image 98.

Albemarle County 13 Sept 1746 Court. **Robert Kidd** is allowed for one day's attendance in the same suit, and received an additional 25 lb. tobacco for his attendance.<sup>334</sup>

A survey dated 13 Oct 1746, for **Robert Kidd**, 200 acres on both sides of the Hardware River.<sup>335</sup> Surveyed by Thomas Turpin, assistant surveyor. N.B.: a Plat of certificate of this land is made out for 200 acres Trent \_\_\_ having returned **Kidd** insolvent. Adjoining Thomas Tindell. Plat shows creek.<sup>336</sup>

These surveys covered the period from June 1746 to June 1747.<sup>337</sup>

1747 – At a Court held for Albemarle County 9 July 1747. Joshua Fry, Gentleman Surveyor of this county presents the following List of Surveys made by him from June 1746 to June 1747, which are ordered to be recorded: One of these was a survey for **Robert Kidd**, 200 acres. (citing Albemarle County Court Orders 1744/45-1748, p. 290).<sup>338</sup>

After 1747, Robert Kidd disappears from the Virginia records.

**RUTH (PARISH/FARISH) KIDD**, the daughter of Henry Parish/Farish<sup>339</sup> and his wife Mary Atkinson<sup>340</sup> of Goochland County, and wife of John<sup>3b</sup> Kidd  
Married John<sup>3b</sup> Kidd by 1749 in Goochland County  
[Her sister Morning Parish was the second wife of James<sup>3</sup> Kidd, brother of John<sup>3b</sup> Kidd]  
Died sometime after the signing of her husband's will on 11 March 1785

1749 – In a deed dated 19 Sept 1749, Henry Parish, of Saint James Parish, Goochland County, “for and in consideration of the love good will and affection I have and do bear toward my loving **Son in Law John Kidd** of the same parish and county,” deeded to John Kidd 50 acres on Lickinghole Creek, bounded by Henry Martin, John Sandland, and Henry Parish, to Capt. Michael Holland decd, to Pouncey Anderson, “said land on which the said Kidd now lives.” Said land was part of a greater tract which the said Henry Parish purchased of

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<sup>334</sup> Ibid, p. 181, image 102.

<sup>335</sup> The Hardware River is in the part of Albemarle County that was carved out to create Fluvanna County in 1777. It is a 23.3-mile-long tributary of the James River, with its upper headwaters in southern current-day Albemarle County, flowing primarily in a southeastern direction in the southwestern corner of Fluvanna County, where it enters the James River about seven miles southeast of Scottsville. (Scottsville is located just inside Fluvanna County on a large bend in the James River, where Albemarle and Buckingham county lines converge with that of Fluvanna County.

<sup>336</sup> *Land lying in the county of Albemarle : Albemarle County, Virginia surveyor's plat books, volumes 1, part land 2, and volume 2, 1744-1853, [and 1892]*, by Eric G. Grundset, Fairfax, Va. : E.G. Grundset, 1998, p. 9, citing Survey Book 1, p. 29, abstracted by C Kilby 2007]. Images of this page, and of Robert Kidd's individual survey may be found in the Albemarle Source Documents folder on Dropbox.

<sup>337</sup> Also cited in *The Deeds of Amherst County, Virginia, 1761-1807 and Albemarle County, Virginia, 1748-1763*, by The Rev. Bailey Fulton Davis, Southern Historical Press, 1979, pp. 2-3., citing Order Book 1744-1777, p. 290.

<sup>338</sup> *Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*, vol. 28, p. 275.

<sup>339</sup> This surname is variably written as Parish or Parrish, and occasionally written or deciphered Farish or Farrish.

<sup>340</sup> We know from Henry Parish's will that his wife's given name was Mary, and that Ruth Parish was one of his daughters. The will of John Kidd describes land that his wife Ruth inherited on Turkey Creek in Hanover County VA from her maternal grandfather Henry Atkinson. Henry Atkinson patented 520 acres on Turkey Creek, patent dated 15 Jan 1723. Goochland County was created out of Hanover County in 1728. See [https://lva.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/01LVA\\_INST/altrmk/alma990007180530205756](https://lva.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/01LVA_INST/altrmk/alma990007180530205756)

This record provides good evidence that the John Kidd who died in Albemarle County in 1785 is the same John Kidd who was Henry Parish's son-in-law in Goochland County. It also proves the maiden name of Ruth's mother Mary Atkinson. Henry Atkinson received two other land grants in Goochland County, in 1728 and 1730.

Humphry Parish. Signed the mark of H: Henry Parish (seal). Witnesses John Martin, Tho Harmer, James Winneham (his mark). Deed of “livery of seizin [seisen]” proven 20 Sept 1749 and ordered to be recorded.<sup>341</sup>

This deed proves that John Kidd had married **Ruth Parish**, daughter of Henry Parish, before September 1749, presumably in Goochland County.

1753 – On 3 March 1753, Henry Parish, the father of Ruth and Morning Parish, signed his will in Goochland County.<sup>342</sup> In it, he bequeathed to his sons, Henry and Solaman [Solomon] “after my wife’s death, the land and plantation whereon I now live to them and their heirs forever and my will is if my wife should marry then the land shall be equally divided betwixt my two sons at the age on twenty-one years.”

Item: To wife Mary all stock and moveable estate “during her widowhood and at her death or marage my will is all stocks and moveble estate only two shillings stirling be equally divided betwixt my wife and seven children Mary, Morning, Elizabeth, Jerusa, Henry, Sarah, and Solaman [Solomon].

Item: I give unto my dafter **Ruth** one shilling sterling. Item: I give unto my dafter Ann one shilling sterling.”

I constitute and appoint my son in law John Green my executor and my wife my executrix...” Signed Henry Parish [H his mark] [seal]

Witnesses were John Parish [his mark], David Massie, John Green

This will was proven in court by the oath of John Parish and ordered to be recorded on 20 Nov 1753.

1758 – On 19 Sept 1758, Norman [John Norman] Kidd, son of John Kid and **Ruth Parish**, was born; he was baptized 15 Oct 1758 by the Rev. William Douglas in St. James Northam Parish, Goochland County.<sup>343</sup>

We’ve found no birth records for the other children of John<sup>3b</sup> Kidd and Ruth Parish.

1785 – We’ve found no further records specifically naming Ruth (Parish) Kidd until 1785, when she is mentioned by name in her husband’s Albemarle County will, which he signed on 11 March 1785.<sup>344</sup>

[Note: The will bears the title "Will of John Kidd" in the record, but the name given as the signer at the bottom looks like "Joseph Kidd," according to the transcription. We believe that this was a clerk’s error in recording the will in Will Book 5.]

In the name of god, amen

I **John Kidd** of Albemarle County being in a low state of bodily health but in the full exercise of my reason so make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following [indecipherable] I bequeath my body to the grave by a decent burial at the discretion of my Executors.

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<sup>341</sup> Goochland County Deed Book 6, pp. 27-28, retrieved from FHL #31655, item 1 (images 32-33 of 719). Scanned images available from the authors.

<sup>342</sup> This will was recorded in Goochland Co, VA Deed Book 6, pages 324-325, and was retrieved from FHL #31655, image 181 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

<sup>343</sup> *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 53 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

<sup>344</sup> Albemarle Co VA Will Book 3, pages 4-5, retrieved from FHL #30212, image 256 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

Item I refer that all my Just debts be paid

Item I lend to **my beloved wife Ruth** during her natural life the land whereon I now live together with all the stock and household Furniture

Item I give to my two Eldest Sons John Norman and William to be equally [divided] between them one Certain Tract or Parcel of Land lying in Hanover County on Turkey Creek Commonly known by the name of Napiers Ordinary which Said land was given to **my wife Ruth** and to the heirs of her body lawfull begotton by her grand father Henry [At]kinson

Item after my wife Decease I give and bequeath to my Son James the land stock household Furniture [I] lent her

I appoint as Executors of this my last will and Testament my Sons John Norman Kidd & William Kidd

Abrogating and dissolving all former wills by me made and declaring this to be my last will and Testament in Witness whereof I have here unto Set my hand and Seal this 11th Day of March one Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty five

Joseph Kidd [John Kidd—see note above]<sup>345</sup>

Signed and Sealed  
in presence of: John Wharton  
Edw[Edward] X Kearsey  
Benj.[Benjamin] X Kidd

At Albemarle September Court 1785 –

This will was proved by the Oath of John Wharton, Edward Kearsey & Benjamin Kidd, three witnesses thereto and Ord[Ordered] to be Recorded

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Martin D[indecipherable]

This record confirms that Ruth (Parish) Kidd was still living in 1785.  
We've found no further records for her.

### **SAMUEL KIDD, son of Aaron and Susannah Kidd of Albemarle County**

**Samuel<sup>4</sup> (Aaron<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**

**Died by 1820 in Fluvanna County, VA, intestate, with no wife or direct heirs**

Aaron Kidd's land was on the Roundabout Creek of the Rivanna River in the part of Albemarle County that became Fluvanna County in 1777. His sons Benjamin, who died intestate in 1820, and Samuel, who died intestate in 1821, spent the remainder of their lives in Fluvanna County. The names of all six of Aaron and Susannah Kidd's children, and many of their grandchildren, are given in the Chancery Court suit filed in October 1821 in Fluvanna County over Samuel Kidd's estate, titled Charles Clements and wife Sally [late Sally Kidd] *et al v. Polley Kidd et al.* Samuel left no direct

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<sup>345</sup> This will bears the title "Will of John Kidd" in the record itself, but the name listed as the signer at the bottom clearly says "Joseph Kidd." We believe that this was a clerk's error in transcribing the original will into Will Book 3.

heirs, and so his property was divided among his living sisters [both his brothers being dead], nieces, nephews, and even some great-nieces and great-nephews.<sup>346</sup>

1775 – The will<sup>347</sup> of Aaron Kidd was written 28 Aug 1775 and proven at Albemarle County March court 1776, detailing bequests of “my worldly estate”:

To “my loving wife Susannah Kidd,” a life estate unless she marries, and if she does, her dowry according to law. “My desire is that all her children live with her, all that do not choose to go from her, to keep the estate together.”

To “my son William Kidd, all my land the other side of the North River [also known as the Rivanna River], where I formerly lived, to him and his heirs forever” [Note: This is Sandra Kidd’s ancestor, who migrated to Tazewell County in southwest Virginia after his father’s death.]

“This tract of land whereon I live to be equally divided between two sons Benjamin and **Samuel Kidd** to them and their heirs forever. After my wife’s decease, only **Samuel Kidd** to have the house and improvements.”

To “my daughter Milly Baltimore one cow” [Note: Milly/Mildred married Christopher Baltimore.]

“All the rest of my personal estate to be equally divided between my three daughters Mary and Sarah and Annah Kidd” [Note: Mary/Polly married John Davis, Sarah/Sally married Charles Clements, and Ann married Thomas Elliott.]

“After my wife Susannah Kidd’s decease,” desire is that neighbor Richard Omohundro and son Benjamin Kidd stand as executors. Witnesses: Stephen Seay, Joseph Bolling, Richard Omohundro. Aaron Kidd signed by mark. Proven at Albemarle March Court 1776 by oath of witnesses and ordered to be recorded, John Nicholas, clerk.

Before 1777 – Aron Kidd, Benjamin Kidd, John Kidd, Lewis Kidd, Moses Kidd and **Saml Kidd** were among the signers of a petition to the Virginia General Assembly for the separation of Fluvanna County from Albemarle County. Lewis Kidd and Moses Kidd appear next to each other on the list of petitioners; on the same page, but listed separately from each other, are Benjamin Kidd, **Saml Kidd**, John Kidd, and Aron Kidd. The petition language identifies the petitioners as resident in the southern part of Albemarle County, 20 to 35 miles from the courthouse, with poor mountainous roads, and two rivers and many rapid creeks to cross along the way.<sup>348</sup>

1821 – **Samuel Kidd** died intestate in Fluvanna County, leaving no wife or direct heirs.

Records for Samuel Kidd are found in Fluvanna County, including the lengthy chancery suit over his estate. See our Fluvanna County compilation for all of his records.

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<sup>346</sup> [https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=065-1823-002](https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=065-1823-002)

<sup>347</sup> Albemarle Co VA Will Book 2 (1752-1785), pp. 337-338, retrieved from Familysearch.org, FHL #30211, image 179 of 433. Scanned images of this will are available from the authors.

<sup>348</sup> Fluvanna County Historical Society Bulletin 1:6 (reviewed by RK at Jones Memorial Library, April 2013).

**SARAH/SALLY KIDD CLEMENTS – daughter of Aaron and Susannah Kidd of Albemarle County  
Married Charles Clements in 1784 in Fluvanna County**

1775 – The will<sup>349</sup> of Aaron Kidd was written 28 Aug 1775 and proven at Albemarle County March court 1776, detailing bequests of “my worldly estate”:

To “my loving wife Susannah Kidd,” a life estate unless she marries, and if she does, her dowry according to law. “My desire is that all her children live with her, all that do not choose to go from her, to keep the estate together.”

To “my son William Kidd, all my land the other side of the North River [also known as the Rivanna River], where I formerly lived, to him and his heirs forever”

“This tract of land whereon I live to be equally divided between two sons Benjamin and Samuel Kidd to them and their heirs forever. After my wife’s decease, only Samuel Kidd to have the house and improvements.”

To “my daughter Milly Baltimore one cow” [Note: Milly/Mildred married Christopher Baltimore.]

“All the rest of my personal estate to be equally divided between my three daughters Mary and **Sarah** and Annah **Kidd**” [Note: Mary/Polly married John Davis, Sarah/Sally married Charles Clements, and Ann married Thomas Elliott.]

“After my wife Susannah Kidd’s decease,” desire is that neighbor Richard Omohundro and son Benjamin Kidd stand as executors. Witnesses: Stephen Seay, Joseph Bolling, Richard Omohundro. Aaron Kidd signed by mark. Proven at Albemarle March Court 1776 by oath of witnesses and ordered to be recorded, John Nicholas, clerk.

Note: Sarah was not married at the time her father’s will was written.

1784 – On 30 January 1784, a marriage bond was issued in Fluvanna County for the marriage of **Sarah Kidd** and Charles Clements; Jno Clements was security for this bond.

Both Charles Clements and John Clements signed by mark.<sup>350</sup>

Their marriage occurred on 6 Feb 1784, with William Moore officiating.<sup>351</sup>

As Sally Clements, she is named in the 1821 Fluvanna County Chancery Court suit over the estate of her brother Samuel Kidd.

**SARAH KIDD(s)**

**SARAH (FARRELL) KIDD, the wife and widow of Pleasant Kidd who died between 1821-1827, likely in Albemarle County  
Married Pleasant Kidd in 1802 in Albemarle County**

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<sup>349</sup> Albemarle Co VA Will Book 2 (1752-1785), pp. 337-338, retrieved from Familysearch.org, FHL #30211, image 179 of 433. Scanned images of this will are available from the authors.

<sup>350</sup> "Virginia, Vital Records, 1715-1901", database, *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:6JPX-1KNG> : 21 June 2023), Charles Clement, 1784.

<sup>351</sup> *Virginia Historic Marriage Register, Fluvanna Co VA Marriages, 1781-1849*, by John Vogt and T. William Kethley Jr., Iberian Press, Athens GA 1984, p. 78.

1802 – A Pleasant Kidd married **Sarah Farrell** in Albemarle County VA on 20 December 1802.<sup>352</sup> Another abstract of this marriage lists the bondsman as James Farrell and the witness as John Carr. Minister Martin Dawson Sr.<sup>353</sup>

1813-1820 – A Pleasant Kidd appears on the Albemarle County PPTLs in 1813, then almost annually through 1820:

YEAR	NAME	Tithe	OTHER
1813A	Pleasant	1 tithe, no tax listed	
1814	Pleasant	1 tithe, 1 horse	other list
1815	Pleasant	1 tithe, 2 horses	1st part, Edward Garland list
1816	Pleasant	1 tithe	Edward Garland list
1817	Pleasant Kid	1 tithe	Fleming Garland list
1819	Pleasant Kid	1 tithe	1st list
1820	Pleasant	1 tithe	

1820 – Pleasant Kidd is one of only two Kidd household heads on the Albemarle County 1820 federal census (the other being Martha Kidd, living next door):

Martha Kidd – 1M 26-44 and 1 F 26-44. One in agriculture.

Pleasant Kidd – 2WM<10, 3M 10-15 & 1>44; 4F<10, 1 10-15 & 1 26-44. Two in manufacturing and one in agriculture. The adult female is likely his wife **Sarah**.

1821 – This Pleasant Kidd drops from the Albemarle County PPTLs in 1821 and doesn't reappear for more than two decades. Based upon the records below, we think that Pleasant Kidd likely died sometime after the 1820 census, and before the 1825 Albemarle PPTLs.

1825 – A **Sarah Kidd** first appears on the Albemarle County, VA PPTLs in 1825 as Sarah Kidd and son through 1827. In 1828, she has 1 tithe, without the “and son” descriptor.

YEAR	NAME	TITHES	OTHER
1825B	Sarah Kidd and son	no tithe, 1 horse, .12 tax	Geo M. Woods list
1826B	Sarah Kidd and son	no tithe, 1 horse, .12 tax	Geo M. Woods list
1827B	Sarah Kidd and son	1 tithe, 1 horse	Geo M. Woods list
1828B	Sarah Kid	1 horse; no son listed now	

1827 – On 27 August 1827, the Albemarle County Court appointed Samuel W. Harris to be the guardian of William Kidd, orphan of Pleasant Kidd.<sup>354</sup>

<sup>352</sup> *Marriages of Albemarle County and Charlottesville, VA, 1781-1929*, by William L. Norford, p. 111.

<sup>353</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt & T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, p. 187.

<sup>354</sup> *“The Court Doh Order”*: extracts from *Albemarle and Charlottesville order, law order and minute books, 1800-1900*, by Sam Towler, New Papyrus Publishing, Athens, GA, 2009, page 72, citing the 1827 Court Order Book, p. 269.



1838 – Sarah Kidd and John Clarke were married on 22 December 1838 in Albemarle County, Virginia.<sup>355</sup> The bondsman was John W. Kidd, and the witness was Ira Garrett.<sup>356</sup> **Sarah Kidd**, who is likely her mother, gives her consent. Witness to this affidavit was G. M. Kidd.<sup>357</sup>

1839 – An Albemarle County Marriage Bond was issued for Charlotte Kidd and John R. Houchens dated 25 November 1839. The minister was John S. Abell and the marriage date 2 December 1839.<sup>358</sup> Bondsman was John W. Kidd and witness John T. Ford. **Sarah Kidd**, the mother of Charlotte, gives her consent, which indicates Charlotte was not of age. Witnesses were John W. Kidd and Elizabeth Kidd.<sup>359</sup>

**SARAH KIDD, born ca 1790**

1840 – a Sarah Kidd appears on the U.S. federal census in Albemarle County, VA, in Fredericksville parish (the only Kidd household in this district; all others are in St. Anne's parish):  
**Sarah Kidd** – 1MW 20-29; 1WF 20-29 and 1 50-59. One in mfg. & trade.  
 All three are unable to read or write.

1842 – A Sarah Kidd appears for the first time in 15 years on the Albemarle County PPTLs in 1842. She's listed again in 1843. In 1844 she drops from these annual PPTLs and does not reappear:

YEAR	NAME	TITHES	OTHER
1842A	<b>Mrs. Sarah Kidd</b>	1 tithe	Fredericksville Parish
1843A	<b>Sarah Kidd</b>	1 tithe	

1850 – On the federal census in Albemarle County, VA, p. 231A, HH 1089. She lives only 3 households away from John W. Kidd. She has no real or personal estate listed:

- Kidd, Sarah 60FW VA**
- " , Elizabeth 28FW VA
- " , Edward 3MW VA

Note: If the 1850 census is correct, this Sarah was born ca 1790, so she's not old enough to be the Sarah Farrell who married Pleasant Kidd in 1802. Nothing more has been found for this second Sarah Kidd.

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<sup>355</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt, p. 532, citing Albemarle Marriage Register, 1808-1868, folio 74.

<sup>356</sup> Ira Garrett also witnessed the 1834 marriage of William H. Kidd to Mary A. Kidd, and the 1838 Albemarle County marriage of Nancy Kidd to George D. Leebrick/Lebrick.

<sup>357</sup> *Ibid*, citing B/C Papers, 1837-1842.

<sup>358</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt, p. 532, citing Albemarle Marriage Register, 1808-1868.

<sup>359</sup> *Ibid*, citing "B/C papers, 1837-1842."

**TANDY KIDD**, the son of Jesse Kidd, War of 1812 soldier from Fluvanna County, and his wife Mary Cannon Bugg  
Born about 1810 in Virginia, most likely in Fluvanna County<sup>360</sup>  
Married Mary Pleasants in 1832 in Goochland County  
Moved to Washington County, Arkansas by 1841  
Died in Arkansas in 1862

1830 – He appears on the U.S. federal census in Albemarle County, living alone:  
**Tandy Kidd** – 1 WM 20-29. No slaves.

This is the only record of Tandy Kidd found in Albemarle County. Records for him are found in Fluvanna and Goochland Counties (1820, 1831-1832), Campbell County VA (1835-1844), and Washington County, Arkansas (1841-1862). See our **Fluvanna County compilation for all the records we have found for him.**

**THOMAS J.**<sup>361</sup> **KIDD**, likely the son of Joseph Kidd Sr. and Ann Johnson<sup>362</sup> of Nelson County  
Born 16 Feb 1804 in Nelson County<sup>363</sup>  
Married in 1832 in Nelson County to Margaret (Peggy) Johnson  
Moved first to Albemarle County by 1843, then by 1850 to Lewis County VA [WV]  
Died 30 May 1888 in Lewis County WV

1824-1840 – Thomas Kidd first appears on the Nelson County, VA PPTLs in 1824; he appears almost annually through 1840, then drops from these tax lists in 1841.

1840 – On the 1840 federal census for Nelson County, VA:  
**Thomas Kidd** – 3M<5, 1 5-9 & 1 30-39; 1F<5 & 1 20-29. No slaves. One in agriculture. Two whites over 20 who cannot read or write:

1843-1845 – **Thomas Kidd** first appears on the Albemarle County, VA PPTLs in 1843. He appears the subsequent two years, and in each year pays only his own tithe.

1845 – Isaiah B. Kidd married Ann Johnson on 4 March 1845 in Albemarle County, VA.<sup>364</sup>  
Another transcription of this marriage names the minister as Joseph H. Fox, and gives the marriage bond date as 4 March 1845 and the marriage date as 6 March 1845. **Thomas Kidd** was the bondsman, and he also affirmed that both parties were over 21 years of age.  
Witness: William Dawson.<sup>365</sup>

1845 – On 14 October 1845, **Thomas Kidd** of the county of Albemarle and Peggy his wife sold to John H. Loving for the sum of \$10 “all the rights, title and interest the said **Thomas Kidd** and Peggy his wife in a certain tract of land belonging to the estate of the late John Johnson, deceased, and now in the possession of his widow Behetheland Johnson, lying on the

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<sup>360</sup> His parents married in Amherst County, but his father Jesse was in Fluvanna County by 1809, appearing on the annual PPTLs there. See the subsequent entries for him, all in Fluvanna during his youth.

<sup>361</sup> This middle initial appears on only one record we’ve discovered so far – his death record.

<sup>362</sup> See Appendix 6 of our Nelson County compilation for an analysis of the probable children of Joseph Kidd Sr. and his wife, Nancy/Ann Johnson.

<sup>363</sup> Per his headstone, which lists his date of death and his age at death. See 1886, below.

<sup>364</sup> *Virginia Marriages, 1740-1850*, at Ancestry.com.

<sup>365</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt & T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, p. 187.

headwaters of Dutch Creek, and adjoining the lands of Wilson Peters, Lunsford Loving and others, and containing 117 acres, more or less.” **Thomas and Peggy Kidd** both signed with an X. This deed of land relinquishment was recorded in Nelson County court on Oct 14, 1845.<sup>366</sup>

Following 1845, he drops from Albemarle County, VA records, and is next found in 1850 in Lewis County, VA [WV], where he remains until his death in 1888. See our Nelson County compilation for all of his records.

**WEBB KIDD, parents unknown**

**Born abt 1736 in Virginia**

**Married Elizabeth White, most likely in Albemarle County, by 1770<sup>367</sup>**

**Found in Albemarle County records from 1769 to 1777**

**Moved to Pittsylvania County VA by 1778 and then to Wilkes County, Georgia by 1785**

**Died abt 1805 in Elbert County, Georgia**

Undocumented claims name Webb Kidd’s parents as James Kidd of Middlesex County, VA and Elizabeth Webb. This is not proven, and it is highly unlikely that he was the son of James Kidd, who was born in 1716 in Middlesex County, VA as the son of William and Margaret Kidd (and grandson of Thomas and Jane Kidd). This James Kidd, born in 1716, would not have married and had a child before age 21 in this era. Evidence suggests that this James Kidd’s family settled in Buckingham County, VA.

The Kidd Y-DNA project has two documented descendants of **Webb Kidd** in the project who are close matches to other documented descendants of Thomas Kidd1 of Middlesex County. However, Y-DNA results alone cannot confirm the father of Webb Kidd.

1769 – An Albemarle County deed dated 10 August 1769 between Elisha Lyon and Charles Martin, both of Albemarle, for the sale of land bounded by **Webb Kidd**, among others. This land was "part...in Albemarle & part in Amherst" counties.<sup>368 369</sup>

In an Albemarle County deed dated 14 Sept 1769, Jacob Tyree of Amherst County and Mary his wife sold to **Webb Kidd** of Albemarle County, for £20, a parcel of land in the Rich Cove area of Albemarle County, containing by estimation 192 acres. Both Jacob and Mary sign. Witnesses Peter Davis, Charles Hudson, Charles Lambert, Charles Lewis. Recorded Sept

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<sup>366</sup> Nelson County, Virginia Deed Book 11:268-9.

<sup>367</sup> They were definitely married by 9 August 1770, when Elizabeth was named as Webb’s wife in an Albemarle County Deed.

<sup>368</sup> Albemarle County, VA DB 5, pp. 106-107, cited in the book by Ruth & Sam Sparacio covering this deed book.

<sup>369</sup> Webb Kidd’s land appears to have been along the county line between Albemarle County and what was then Amherst County, but which is now Nelson County. (Recall that the north part of Amherst County was carved out to form Nelson County in 1897-1808. Hickory Creek lies just west of the Albemarle-Nelson county line, flowing generally south to join Cove Creek, itself a tributary of the Rockfish River. This is very close to Willoughby Mountain and the community of Rockfish.

1769.<sup>370</sup> Neighbors included Col. [Charles] Lewis.<sup>371</sup> Note: This land is near Coveseville, close to the border with Nelson County.

1770 – In an Albemarle County deed dated 9 August 1770, **Webb Kidd** and Elizabeth his wife of Albemarle County sold to Charles Martin of Albemarle, for £29, 192 acres, land in the Rush [Rich] Cove, adj Charles Martin, Nicholas Lyon, Benjamin Moore. Signed **Webb Kidd**, wife does not sign. No release, and not witnessed. Recorded March 1771.<sup>372</sup> Sparacio notes this is the same parcel as the 1769 deed (above) and says elsewhere in this record Webb's wife is referred to as "Betty."<sup>373</sup>

1772 – In an Albemarle County deed dated 9 July 1772, Willoughby Pugh and Sarah his wife of Albemarle County sold to **Webb Kidd** of the same county, for £40, a tract of land in Albemarle County on the headwaters of Hiccory [Hickory] Creek containing 90 acres, gives metes and bounds, adjoining lands of William Austin.<sup>374</sup> Not witnessed. Willoughby Pugh signs, Sarah's mark. Recorded July 1772.<sup>375</sup>

1774 – The Albemarle County will of Jeremiah White, signed 27 Nov 1774 and probated May Court 1777, names his children, one of whom was Betty Kidd, who was **Webb Kidd's** wife Elizabeth.<sup>376</sup> [Note: Another daughter named was Letty Melton; the Meltons were neighbors of Aaron Kidd and John Kidd in Albemarle County.]

1777 – In an Albemarle County deed dated 19 August 1777, Reuben White of Albemarle County sells to William Brown of the same county, for £35 current money, a certain parcel of land containing 35 acres...joining Charles Hudson, William Sowell, Elijah Morran, and Reuben White, "it being the land whereon **Webb Kidd** now resides". This deed was witnessed by Elijah Morran, **Webb Kidd**, and William Morran.<sup>377</sup>

In an Albemarle County deed dated 17 November 1777, Reuben White and Mary his wife, and Mary White Senr., the mother of Reuben White, of Albemarle County sell to Charles Martin of the same county, for £80, a tract of land containing 140 acres "whereon I [Reuben White] now lives, joining Thomas Martin, Charles Martin, Charles Hudson, and **Webb Kidd's** lines... This deed was witnessed by Pleasant Martin, **Webb Kidd**, Daniel White and John Tuggle, all of whom signed the deed.<sup>378</sup>

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<sup>370</sup> Albemarle County VA DB 5 (1768-1772), p. 125, abstracted by C Kilby 2007. Copy of this deed available in the Albemarle County Source Documents folder on Dropbox.

<sup>371</sup> Sparacio, citing DB 5, p, 125. Copy of this deed available in the Albemarle County Source Documents folder on Dropbox.

<sup>372</sup> Albemarle County VA DB 5, pp.277-278, abstracted by C Kilby 2007. Copy of this deed available in the Albemarle County Source Documents folder on Dropbox.

<sup>373</sup> Sparacio, citing DB 5, pp. 277-278

<sup>374</sup> Sparacio, citing DB 5, pp. 474-476. Copy of this deed available in the Albemarle County Source Documents folder on Dropbox.

<sup>375</sup> Albemarle County VA DB 5, pp. 474-476, abstracted by C Kilby 2007

<sup>376</sup> *Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*, volume 5, page 39, in an article on the family of John Martin White of Hart County GA. This will is found in Albemarle County, Virginia Will Book 2, pages 54-355; a transcription of it can be seen here: <http://arlanmb.org/white/white.html>

<sup>377</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Deeds, 1776-1778*, edited and published by Ruth and Sam Sparacio, Antient Press, McLean, VA, 1997, p. 57, citing Albemarle County Deed Book 7, pages 120-121.

<sup>378</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Deeds, 1776-1778*, edited and published by Ruth and Sam Sparacio, Antient Press, McLean, VA, 1997, p. 102, citing Albemarle County Deed Book 7, pages 209-211.

In an Albemarle County deed dated 18 November 1777, **Webb Kidd** and Elizabeth his wife of Albemarle County sell to Major Holloway of the same county, for £40, a parcel of land containing 96 acres “on mountains at the head of Hickry [Hickory] Creek and of Hardware River” adjoining William Austin... Memorandum: that on the day and year within written, full possession and seizen was had and taken of the land and premises by the said **Webb Kidd** and Elizabeth his wife, and by them delivered over to Major Holloway.

This deed was acknowledged by **Webb Kidd** at November Court in Albemarle County, and was recorded.<sup>379</sup>

Sometime after this deed was recorded in November 1777, Webb Kidd migrated to Pittsylvania County, VA, likely with members of his wife Elizabeth White’s family. By 1785, he and his family have moved to Wilkes County, GA.

1782 – **Webb Kidd** is found on the 1782 Heads of Families list in Pittsylvania County. His entry shows 9 whites and 1 black.<sup>380</sup> No other Kidds are found in Pittsylvania County on this list. In 1782, he is taxed on 200 acres of land in Pittsylvania County.<sup>381</sup> This is the first year for which land tax lists are available for Pittsylvania County, and we don't know when he bought this land.

In 1782, he apparently sold 10 acres to Joseph Motley (listed on the Land Alterations of the 1783 Land Tax Lists).<sup>382</sup> No deed for this transaction has been found.

The Land Tax Lists for Pittsylvania County for the years 1783-1785 are not available on microfilm; they likely were lost or destroyed. Webb Kidd moved to Georgia about 1785 and so is not found on these LTLs in 1786.

1784 – In two deeds dated 21 June 1784, **Webb Kidd** and Joseph Motley appear to be exchanging tracts of land:

This Indenture made the 17<sup>th</sup> day of May 1784 between **Webb Kidd** of Pittsylvania County of the one part and Joseph Motley of the county aforesaid on the other part, Witnesseth that the said **Webb Kidd** for £20 ... hath granted, bargained, and sold unto Joseph Motley one certain tract or parcel of land... in Pittsylvania County on the south side of Eacolses fork containing 30 acres ...more or less .... (metes and bounds description; no neighbors named other than Motley)

No witnesses listed

(signed) {**Webb Kidd**}

Recorded 21 June 1784 <sup>383</sup>

This Indenture made this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May 1784 between Joseph Motley of Pittsylvania County of the one part and **Webb Kidd** of the county aforesaid of the other part. Witnesseth that the said Joseph Motley for and in consideration of the sum of £20 current money of Virginia.... the said Motley hath granted, bargained and sold... unto the said **Webb Kidd** one certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Pittsylvania County on the north side of the south branch of Eacols fork containing by estimation 30 acres more or less... (metes and bounds description, mentioning “Thomas Tanner’s new line...Motley’s old line

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<sup>379</sup> Albemarle County DB 7, pp. 127-128, abstracted by C Kilby 2007. Abstract also published in *Albemarle County, Virginia Deeds, 1776-1778*, edited and published by Ruth and Sam Sparacio, Antient Press, McLean, VA, 1997, pp 60-61.

<sup>380</sup> Heads of Families – Virginia, 1782, p. 41.

<sup>381</sup> See <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~vapittsy/1782LandTaxes.htm>

<sup>382</sup> See <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~vapittsy/1783Land.htm>

<sup>383</sup> Pittsylvania County Deed Book 7, pages 285-286. Scanned images of this deed are available from the authors.

(signed) Joseph Motley

No witnesses listed

Admitted to record in Court on 21 June 1784 <sup>384</sup>

1785 – On 20 June 1785, **Webb Kidd** and Elizabeth his wife of Pittsylvania County sold their land to William Ryburn:

This Indenture made this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December 1784 between **Webb Kidd** of Pittsylvania County and Elizabeth his wife of the one part and William Ryburn of the same place of the other part. Witnesseth that the said Kidd and wife for and in consideration of the sum of £150 current money of Virginia....secured by bond to be paid... have given, granted, bargained and sold unto the said William Ryburn....all that tract and parcel of land situate, lying and being in Pittsylvania County which the said Kidd purchased of a certain Daniel White, bounded easterly and southerly by the lands of Joseph Motley and Jeremiah Ellington, northerly by the lands presently held by Thomas Lenticomb and by the land of Thomas Tanner and others, being the same place where the said Kidd now dwells, containing by estimation 190 acres more or less.... Both **Webb Kidd** and Betty Kidd signed the deed. Witnesses were John Yates, Ben Terry and Armstead Stratton. This deed was proved in court on 20 May 1785 by the oaths of the witnesses and was recorded.<sup>385</sup>

The sale of 190 acres is listed in the 1785 Land Alterations list of the Pittsylvania County Land Tax List.<sup>386</sup>

Webb and Elizabeth Kidd left Pittsylvania County after the sale of this land in 1785 and migrated to Wilkes County, Georgia.

1787 – On 18 January 1787, Polly Kidd, the daughter of **Webb Kidd** and his wife Elizabeth White, “who had removed from Pittsylvania County, Virginia to Vann’s Creek, Wilkes County, Georgia,” married William Jennings in Wilkes County GA.<sup>387</sup>

1791-1793 – **Webb Kidd** was one of the executors named in the Pittsylvania County will of Jacob Cleveland, and in this capacity was listed as one of the plaintiffs in a Chancery Court suit against John Stocklane regarding a debt owed by Stocklane to Jacob Cleveland's estate.

In November Court 1791,<sup>388</sup> the defendant claimed that he attempted to pay this debt by transferring a slave, but this was refused, and he put himself "on the county, and the said plaintiffs thereof likewise," at which time the suit was continued. In May Court 1792, on the motion of the plaintiffs and with the consent of the defendant, commissioners Allighaney McGuire, Reubin White, Middleton Woods, George Sumkins and Daniel White, or any three of them, were appointed to take the deposition of John White of the state of Georgia.<sup>389</sup> In August Court of 1793, the case was heard, and the Court ruled in favor of the plaintiffs, and ordered that they recover against the defendant the sum of £105.8.4, the debt in the

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<sup>384</sup> Pittsylvania County DB 7, pages 289-290. Scanned images of this deed are available from the authors.

<sup>385</sup> Pittsylvania County DB 7, p. 489. Scanned images available.

<sup>386</sup> See <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~vapittsy/1785LandAlterations.htm>

<sup>387</sup> *Roster of Revolutionary Soldiers in Georgia*, by Howard H. McCall, p. 72. Screenshot from GoogleBooks in the Georgia folder on Dropbox.

<sup>388</sup> Pittsylvania County VA Court Record Book 7, p. 65.

<sup>389</sup> *Ibid*, p. 107.

declaration, together with their costs. This judgment was then reduced to £52.14.2 with legal interest thereon from 1 December 1786 till paid, and their costs.<sup>390</sup>

Webb Kidd likely did not return to Virginia during this suit; the John White whose deposition was sought in Georgia was Webb Kidd's brother-in-law.

1802 – **Webb Kidd** appears on the 1802 Tax List for Franklin County, Georgia.<sup>391</sup>

1803 – **Webb Kidd** signed his will on 16 August 1803 in Elbert County, Georgia. It was witnessed by John White, Thomas White and Benjamin Hernden.<sup>392</sup>

1805 – The will of **Webb Kidd** was proved in Elbert County Court on 22 April 1805 and admitted to record.<sup>393</sup>

Transcript of the Will of Webb Kidd<sup>394</sup>

In the name of God Amen. I **Webb Kidd** of the county of Elbert & State of Georgia being very sick & weak in body but of Perfect Mind Senses & Memory do make and constitute my last Will & Testament. But principally & first I give & hoping at the Resurrection I shall receive the same again in peace, and recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God who gave it to me & as touching such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me with I do give & dispose of in the following manner. The Plantation House & Land whereon I now live with all that appertains thereunto belonging.

I do give unto my dearly beloved wife Elizabeth Kidd to be her dowfull rite & property enduring of her life and widowhood and if she dies before my youngest child Webb comes or rises to the years of eighteen then the Plantation House & Land not to be broken up until he arrive to that year of age and then separately I give him my youngest son his free choice to take the House, Land & plantation for his own or otherwise to take Dick my negro boy if he lives & I further give him out of my Estate a horse & saddle, the saddle to have when he calls for it & the horse to be put in his possession when he arrive to the above mentioned years. The horse and saddle to be worth one hundred dollars, together with a good bed & furniture & which ever he chooses, the land or Dick. If it be the land & the rest or Dick & the rest then thats to be his only part or claim of my Estate

and to my dearly beloved daughter Nancy Harper I do give a beast & saddle, bed & furniture with one Heifer Cow which they have in their possession to the amount of ninety three dollars,

and to my dearly beloved daughter Polly Jennings I do give which they have now in their possession one tract of land & one bed to the amount of one hundred & twenty five dollars, and to my dearly beloved daughter Lucy Greenwood I do give which they have had in their possession one bed & with a heifer cow,beast & saddle together with cash to the amount of one hundred & four dollars

& to my son William Kidd I do give which he now has in possession one tract of land a bed & furniture, beast & saddle to the amount of two hundred & thirty five dollars

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<sup>390</sup> Ibid, p.277.

<sup>391</sup> Georgia, Compiled Census and Census Substitutes Index, 1790-1890 on Ancestry.com, citing Georgia 1792-1819 Tax Lists Index database.

<sup>392</sup> Elbert County, Georgia Will Books, 1803-1806 (WBs 1-3), citing WB 2, pp. 57-59, retrieved from FHL #4968239, images 245-247 of 404 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access). Digital images available upon request.

<sup>393</sup> Elbert County, Georgia Will Books, 1803-1806 (WBs 1-3), citing WB 2, pp. 57-59, retrieved from FHL #4968239, images 245-247 of 404 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access). Digital images available upon request.

<sup>394</sup> <http://files.usgarchives.net/ga/elbert/wills/1803/k3000000.txt>

and to my beloved daughter Rhody Cleaveland I do give which she now has in possession one bed & furniture with a beast and saddle to the amount of Eighty five dollars the beast to yet be delivered to her

and to my beloved son Martin Kidd I do give which he has now in possession one tract of land lying in Franklin County & State of Georgia with a horse & saddle all to the amount of three hundred & ten dollars

and to my beloved son John Kidd I do give one tract of land lying in Franklin County joining of Martins Land with a Beast and Saddle all to the amount of three hundred & ten dollars & if the above mentioned land is ever lost by other claims the damage sustained shall be equally borne by all the legatees that is allowing them to return back into the Estate & sharing with the rest

And as for the balance at the decease of my wife or age of my son Webb my Estate to be equally divided amongst all the legatees excepting my son Webb & Nancy Harper & Lucy Greenwood- and what so ever is coming to be Nancys part I do give to her daughter Polly & her son Webb

and what so ever might be Lucys part I do give to their son William and daughter Polly Greenwood, and I appoint and ordain my son Martin and William and John Kidd my sons to be my sole executors of this my Last Will & Testament and I do fully empower & authorize them to do and act for the good of the Estate & Legatees at their discretion as may deem most proper giving and assisting any of the Legatees when it can be spared out of the Estate and I do hereby revoke & disnull all other wills and bequests ratifying and confirming this to be my Last Will & Testament in writing whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 16th day of August 1803.

Signed in the presence of  
test

**Webb Kidd** {Seal}

John White  
Thomas White  
Benjamin Herndon

Registered the 22nd day of April 1805  
W. Higginbotham C.C.O.

An inventory of **Webb Kidd's** estate, having been made on 12 April 1805, and was presented in Elbert County Court on 5 July 1805 and ordered to be recorded. The commissioners appointed for this purpose were Larken Clark, Edmond Harper and Reuben White.<sup>395</sup>

Over a 10-year period, from 1806 to 1816, records of the administration of Webb Kidd's estate and distributions to his heirs are found in Elbert County GA:

18 Dec 1806: Distributions made to Martin Kidd, John W. Kidd, William Jennings, Tarlton Hall, Berry Ryan, Frances Kidd, heirs of Charter Harper, and John Greenwood.

1814: Sale recorded of 205 acres on Van's Creek in Elbert County and 202 ½ acres in Wilkerson, Wilkes County, GA.

6 Feb 1814: Distributions made to William and Mary Greenwood.

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<sup>395</sup> Elbert County, Georgia Will Books, 1803-1806 (WBs 1-3), citing WB 2, pp. 168-169, retrieved from FHL #4968239, images 358-359 of 404 via familysearch.org (unrestricted access). Digital images available upon request



2 Jan 1816: Distributions made to Webb Kidd Jr, Mary R. (Polly) Harper, and William W. Harper.

1816: Distributions made to Molly Jennings for William Jennings, Tarleton Hall, Abner Ward, William W. Harper, Berry Ryan, and John Cleveland.

1818: Distribution made to John J. Mann.<sup>396</sup>

**The family of Webb Kidd and Elizabeth White is well-documented in Georgia records.**

### **WILLIAM KIDD(S)**

There are two William Kidds found in Albemarle County in the 1770s: William4a Kidd, son of Aaron and Susannah Kidd, and William4b Kidd, son of John Kidd and Ruth Farish/Parish. These two men were first cousins: grandsons of William and Margaret Kidd of Middlesex County VA, and great-grandsons of Thomas and Jane Kidd of Middlesex County.

#### **WILLIAM4a KIDD, son of Aaron and Susannah Kidd of Albemarle County**

**William4a (Aaron3, William2, Thomas1) Kidd**

**Likely born about 1740/1745 in Virginia**

**Married by 1769; wife's name not known<sup>397</sup>**

**Migrated to southwest Virginia following the death of his father Aaron in 1776**

**Died in Tazewell County VA by 1801**

William4a Kidd is the ancestor of Sandra Kidd, one of the authors of this document, and co-administrator of the Kidd Y-DNA project at Family Tree DNA (see [www.familytreedna.com/groups/Kidd](http://www.familytreedna.com/groups/Kidd)). Sandra descends through William's son Elijah Kidd of Tazewell and Bland Counties VA. Descendants of this William Kidd are close matches to other descendants of Thomas Kidd1 of Middlesex County.

1772 – A **William Kidd** was one of the witnesses to a deed dated 14 November 1772 when William Jones of Albemarle County sold to Martin Key of Albemarle County, for £6.13.6, a parcel of land containing 100 acres on both sides of Camp Branch, along with one bed and furniture and other household goods. The other witnesses were Ashford Napier and Thomas Staples. The witnesses to this deed gave oath to the deed in July Court 1773, and the deed was recorded.<sup>398</sup> [Note: Because this deed includes household furniture and goods, it may be a deed of trust to secure William Jones's debt.]

1775 – The will<sup>399</sup> of Aaron Kidd was written 28 Aug 1775 and proven at Albemarle County March court 1776, detailing bequests of “my worldly estate”:

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<sup>396</sup> <http://files.usgarchives.net/ga/elbert/wills/1803/k3000000.txt>

<sup>397</sup> William's birth and marriage dates are estimated from the birth of his daughter Deborah in August 1769. Her birth date was based on her age as stated in the death register of Tazewell County VA.

<sup>398</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Deeds, 1772-1776*, edited and published by Ruth and Sam Sparacio, Antient Press, McLean, VA, 1997, page 41, citing Albemarle Deed Book 6, pages 158-159.

<sup>399</sup> Albemarle Co VA Will Book 2 (1752-1785), pp. 337-338, retrieved from Familysearch.org, FHL #30211, image 179 of 433. Scanned images of this will are available from the authors.

To “my loving wife Susannah Kidd,” a life estate unless she marries, and if she does, her dowry according to law. “My desire is that all her children live with her, all that do not choose to go from her, to keep the estate together.”

To “my son **William Kidd**, all my land the other side of the North River [also known as the Rivanna River], where I formerly lived, to him and his heirs forever”

“This tract of land whereon I live to be equally divided between two sons Benjamin and Samuel Kidd to them and their heirs forever. After my wife’s decease, only Samuel Kidd to have the house and improvements.”

To “my daughter Milly Baltimore one cow” [Note: Milly/Mildred married Christopher Baltimore.]

“All the rest of my personal estate to be equally divided between my three daughters Mary and Sarah and Annah Kidd” [Note: Mary/Polly married John Davis, Sarah/Sally married Charles Clements, and Ann married Thomas Elliott.]

“After my wife Susannah Kidd’s decease,” desire is that neighbor Richard Omohundro and son Benjamin Kidd stand as executors. Witnesses: Stephen Seay, Joseph Bolling, Richard Omohundro. Aaron Kidd signed by mark. Proven at Albemarle March Court 1776 by oath of witnesses and ordered to be recorded, John Nicholas, clerk.

Note: The area where this family lived became part of Fluvanna County in 1777 when Fluvanna was formed from Albemarle County.

1777 – Fluvanna County Bargain and Sale dated 13 Oct 1777: John Kidd and **William Kidd** of Fluvanna and Aaron Kidd of Albemarle to Elias Wills of Fluvanna. For £30 current money of Virginia, 80 acres patented 30 Aug 1763, lying in Fluvanna beginning at William Martin line and Thomas Appleberry line near Roundabout Creek,<sup>400</sup> running from Appleberry’s line crossing the said creek to Elias Wills’ line to Wilson Miles Cary’s line to Benjamin Martin’s corner. “With all the houses, orchards, plantation and C. thereto belonging.”<sup>401</sup>  
Sealed and delivered in the presences of Thomas Appleberry, William Barnett, Benjamin Martin. Signed John Kidd [seal], **William Kidd** [seal], Aaron Kidd [seal]

Dated 7 May 1778: “Proved to be the act and deed of **William Kidd**, John Kidd, and Aaron Kidd, and by the oath of Thomas Appleberry, Wm Martin, and Benj Martin witnesses these to and admitted to record. Teste: John Cobbs CC”

Note: This is the tract of land patented by Aaron Kidd in 1763 in Albemarle County and is the same tract of land that he bequeathed to his son William Kidd in his 1775 will.

However, Aaron Kidd was deceased by 1776, before this deed was filed in 1777, so why this deed bears his name is a mystery. By 1777, Aaron’s son **William Kidd** was of legal age, with children of his own. The witnesses were neighbors of Aaron Kidd and would have known he was deceased by 1777. Moreover, in Fluvanna County Deed Book 1, Grantors Index, Aaron Kidd’s name does not appear; the index lists John Kidd and **William Kidd**, Grantors,

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<sup>400</sup> Roundabout Creek lies in the southeastern part of present-day Fluvanna County (but which was in Albemarle County until Fluvanna County was formed in 1777. It courses south to join the Rivanna River in the south-eastern corner of Fluvanna County.

<sup>401</sup> Fluvanna County VA DB 1, p. 87: John Kidd and William Kidd to Elias Wills.

to Elias Wills, Grantee.

This John Kidd is very likely Aaron's brother John, but why his name is on this deed is also unknown. One possibility, not proven, is that William Kidd had already left the area and John Kidd was serving as his proxy; William Kidd patented 200 acres in southwest Virginia on a branch of the Bluestone River in 1777.<sup>402</sup> He died intestate in Tazewell County, VA by 1801.

Aaron's sons Benjamin, who died intestate in 1820, and Samuel, who died intestate in 1821, remained in Fluvanna County. The names of all six of Aaron and Susannah Kidd's children, and many of their grandchildren, are given in the Chancery court suit filed in October 1821 in Fluvanna County over Samuel Kidd's estate, titled Charles Clements and wife Sally [late Sally Kidd] *et al v.* Polley Kidd *et al.* Samuel left no direct heirs, and so his property was divided among his living sisters [both his brothers being dead], nieces, nephews, and even some great-nieces and great-nephews.<sup>403</sup>

The Chancery Court suit papers for Samuel Kidd name "Larkin Kidd, Deborah Kidd, Frances Kidd, Isbell Kidd, Elias Kidd, and Elijah Kidd children and heirs of **William Kidd.**" This is the only document found to date that identifies William Kidd's children by name. Because William Kidd was deceased by the time of this suit, his share of his brother Samuel's estate was divided among his heirs into nine parts, which suggests that William Kidd had nine heirs. A later record in which the Kentucky heirs are seeking their share of the estate names Sherrod Kidd as another heir to William Kidd. Based on later records found in Tazewell County, descendant Sandra Kidd believes the remaining two heirs are William Kidd and John Kidd.

See the Fluvanna County compilation for the details of the lengthy Chancery Court suit over Samuel Kidd's estate.

**WILLIAM<sup>4b</sup> KIDD, son of John Kidd and Ruth Parish (Farish)**

**William<sup>4b</sup> (John<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd**

**Born about 1763, likely in Albemarle County**

**Found in Albemarle, Amherst, and Nelson Counties**

**Wife's name not known**

**Died about 1832 in Nelson County**

**See [Appendix 3](#) for our Genealogical Proof Statement for his being the son of John<sup>3b</sup> Kidd and Ruth Parish.**

1784 – **William Kidd** appears one year on the Albemarle County PPTLs in 1784 and then appears on the Amherst County PPTLs alongside his brother John Norman Kidd starting in 1786.

1785 – The Albemarle County will of John Kidd was signed 11 March 1785 and proved in court in the September 1785 term:<sup>404</sup>

[NOTE that the will bears the title "Will of John Kidd" in the record, but the name given as the signer at the bottom looks like "Joseph Kidd," according to the transcription. We

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<sup>402</sup> *Early Adventurers on the Western Waters*, vol. 2, by F.B. Kegley and Mary Kegley

<sup>403</sup> [https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=065-1823-002](https://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=065-1823-002)

<sup>404</sup> Albemarle County, VA Will Book 3, pp. 4-5, proved September 1785. Images retrieved from FHL #30212, item 2, image 256 of 433 (unrestricted access).

believe that this was a clerk's error in recording the will in Will Book 5.]

In the name of god, amen

I John Kidd of Albemarle County being in a low state of bodily health but in the full exercise of my reason so make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following [indecipherable] I bequeath my body to the grave by a decent burial at the discretion of my Executors.

Item I refer that all my Just debts be paid

Item I lend to my beloved wife Ruth during her natural life the land whereon I now live together with all the stock and household Furniture

Item I give to my two Eldest Sons John Norman and **William** to be equally [divided] between them one Certain Tract or Parcel of Land lying in Hanover County on Turkey Creek Commonly known by the name of Napiers Ordinary which Said land was given to my wife Ruth and to the heirs of her body lawfull begotton by her grand father Henry [At]kinson

Item after my wife Decease I give and bequeath to my Son James the land stock household Furniture [I] lent her

I appoint as Executors of this my last will and Testament my Sons John Norman Kidd & **William Kidd**

Abrogating and dissolving all former wills by me made and declaring this to be my last will and Testament in Witness whereof I have here unto Set my hand and Seal this 11th Day of March one Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty five

Joseph Kidd [John Kidd – see note above]

Signed and Sealed

in presence of: John Wharton

Edw[Edward] X Kearsey

Benj.[Benjamin] X Kidd

At Albemarle September Court 1785 –

This will was proved by the Oath of John Wharton, Edward Kearsey & Benjamin Kidd, three witnesses thereto and Ord[Ordered] to be Recorded

Test

Martin D[indecipherable]

1785 – The following Kidds appeared on the Albemarle County “List of Inhabitants” of 1785:<sup>405</sup>

Owner's Name	No. White Souls	No. dwelling houses	Out Houses	Slave cabins	Mills	Image #
Benjamin Kidd	2	1	0	0	0	31
Jno. Norman Kidd	1	1	0	0	0	31
<b>Wm Kidd</b>	2	1	0	0	0	31
Duet (sic) Kidd	9	1	0	0	0	31

<sup>405</sup> See FHL #1854091, List of Inhabitants, Albemarle County, 1785, image 31. Sometimes called “Heads of Families,” these lists were special supplementary enumerations mandated by the Virginia State Assembly, distinct from the annual County PPTLs and LTLs.

Moses Kidd	9	1	0	0	0	31
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1786 – William Kidd first appears in Amherst County records in 1786, and then in Nelson County when Nelson County was created from Amherst County in 1807. See Amherst County and Nelson County for records of his life and family.

**OTHER WILLIAM KIDDs found fleetingly in Albemarle County:**

**WILLIAM KIDD, son of Pleasant Kidd and his wife Sarah Farrell**

1827 – On 27 August 1827, the Albemarle County Court appointed Samuel W. Harris to be the guardian of **William Kidd**, orphan of Pleasant Kidd.<sup>406</sup>

**WILLIAM KIDD, who married Mahala Damron in 1827 in Albemarle County**

1827 – A **William Kidd** married Mahala Damron in Albemarle County, VA on 3 Sept 1827.<sup>407</sup> Another abstract of this record lists the bondsman as Samuel W. Harris. Mahala gives her own consent. Witnesses included A.H. Jameson, John Bise and John Kidd.<sup>408</sup>

**WILLIAM KIDD, on Albemarle County tax lists 1829-1830**

1829-1830 – A **William Kidd** next appears in Albemarle County on the PPTLs for these two years, taxed only for his own tithe, but with no property. He then drops from the PPTLs for 3 years.

**WILLIAM H. KIDD, married Mary A. Kidd in 1834 in Albemarle County**

1834 – On 26 February 1834, **Wm H. [William H.] Kidd** married Mary A. Kidd in Albemarle County.<sup>409</sup> The original record names the bondsman as Joel Vest, and the witness was Ira Garrett. In a separate document, Mary A. Kidd gives her own consent and signs with a mark, with Joel Vest as the witness. Other witnesses were Charles Kidd, who signed with an x and G.W. Sutler.<sup>410</sup>  
Wm H. Kidd signed this bond with an X.

**WILLIAM J./I. KIDD, on Albemarle County tax lists 1834-1835**

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<sup>406</sup> *"The Court Doth Order": extracts from Albemarle and Charlottesville order, law order and minute books, 1800-1900*, by Sam Towler, New Papyrus Publishing, Athens, GA, 2009, page 72, citing the 1827 Court Order Book, p. 269.

<sup>407</sup> *Marriages of Albemarle County and Charlottesville, VA, 1781-1929*, by William L. Norford, p. 112.

<sup>408</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt & T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, p. 187, citing B/C Papers, 1822-29.

<sup>409</sup> *Marriages of Albemarle County and Charlottesville, VA, 1781-1929*, by William L. Norford, p. 112.

<sup>410</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt & T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, p. 187, citing B/C Papers, 1829-34.

The original records were retrieved and scanned from Albemarle County Marriage Bonds.

1834-1835— A **William J. or I. Kidd** appears on the Albemarle County PPTLs, taxed only for his own tithes, but no other property. He may or may not be the same William Kidd who was on the PPTLs a few years earlier. He then drops from the Albemarle PPTLs.

## **APPENDIX: SOURCES INCLUDED IN THE CREATION OF THIS DOCUMENT:**

Using the Library of Virginia's online catalog, the catalog at family search.org, and WorldCat, we identified the following sources for Albemarle County, Virginia; those with black text have been abstracted and all Kidd entries in them have been added to this document; those in **red font** have not been examined and mined yet:

### **PRIMARY SOURCES**

1. Albemarle County, VA Personal Property Tax Lists, 1782-1851, abstracted by Sandra Kidd, May 2011.
2. Albemarle County, VA Land Tax Lists, 1782-1850  
1782-1798, Reel 6, Library of Virginia – reviewed by RK July 2013 via ILL – No Kidds.  
1799-1814A, Reel 7, Library of Virginia – reviewed by RK July 2013 via ILL – No Kidds.  
1814B-1825A, Reel 8, Library of Virginia – reviewed by RK 12 Oct 2013 via ILL – No Kidds.  
1825B-1850, Reel 9, Library of Virginia – reviewed by RK 12 Aug 2013 via ILL – No Kidds.
3. Albemarle County, VA Land Tax Books, 1855-1875  
1855, FHL #1889152, viewable online via familysearch.org  
1856-1860, FHL #1889153, viewable online via familysearch.org  
1860-1863, FHL #1889154, viewable online via familysearch.org  
1865-1870, FHL #18891525, viewable online via familysearch.org  
1871-1875, FHL #1889156, viewable online via familysearch.org
4. U.S. Federal Census entries for Kidds, 1810-1850
5. Saint Ann's Parish (Albemarle County, Virginia) Vestry Book, 1772-1785, and overseers of the poor accounts, 1786-1809. The Huntington Library, San Marino, CA.  
Digital images of this book are available online at:  
<https://www.familysearch.org/library/books/records/item/547916-vestry-book-1772-1785-and-overseers-of-the-poor-accounts-1786-1809>
6. *Albemarle County, VA Wills and Administrations (1748-1800)*, an online Index from the Library of Virginia:  
[http://lva1.hosted.exlibrisgroup.com/F/FKCNXY1ERRJPEIY5NDMVCJGJYHMXXGD/DVLI4GPG4BDSUNDFDIC-43888?func=file&file\\_name=find-b](http://lva1.hosted.exlibrisgroup.com/F/FKCNXY1ERRJPEIY5NDMVCJGJYHMXXGD/DVLI4GPG4BDSUNDFDIC-43888?func=file&file_name=find-b)  
Click on the IMAGES AND INDEXES tab, then scroll down to WILLS AND ADMINISTRATIONS, INDEX TO.
7. Albemarle County, Virginia Chancery Records
8. **Land records**  
Index to Deeds, 1748-1819 [reviewed by Craig Kilby in 2007, only 4 deeds, all for Webb Kidd 1769-1777]  
Deeds and Wills Book, 1748-1752 [reviewed by C Kilby 2007, no Kidds]  
Albemarle County, VA General Indexes to Deeds, vols. 1-2, 1748-1859, FHL #30223  
(Only included the deeds of Webb Kidd, all scanned; also some Southern deeds.)  
Deed Books (1752-ff., on microfilm at LoV and LDS) [see deeds index above  
Surveyors' Books (1744-ff., on microfilm at LoV)  
District Court Deed Book No. 1, 1790-1806, unpagged index.

[NOTE in LoV listing: Not covered by the General Index to Deeds Reel]  
NO Kidds or Southernns listed in the internal index.

Superior Court Deed Book, 1807-1832.

[NOTE in LoV listing: Not Covered by the General Index to Deeds] – No Kidds or Southernns listed in the internal index.

Albemarle County Unrecorded deeds for future proofs, ca 1795-1863, FHL # 1892398: 1785-1863, Irvin-Y LoV reel 112 (item 1) and 1791-1812, A-L (item 2).

Reviewed by RK, May 4, 2018 at Bellevue FHC. These loose deeds were arranged alphabetically by last name at the time of filming. I browsed the reel, searching for any mentions of Kidds and Southernns, and found no mention of either.

**Surveyors Plat Books** – These records were the basis of the book by Eric and Paula Grundset (see Secondary Sources, below), which we've seen and mined.

- a. **Surveyors' Plat Book, v.1, pt. 1**, 1744-1750, pp. 1-151. FHL #2440983, item 4  
Viewable online via familysearch.org (unrestricted access). NO Index.  
Possible but very tedious to browse (2-4 surveys per page, tiny writing, etc.)
- b. **Surveyors' Plat Book, v. 1, pt.1** (continued) 1750-1755, pp. 152-346, FHL #1889151, item 1. Viewable online via familysearch.org (restricted access – affiliated libraries).  
NO Index; as above.
- c. Surveyors' Book, vol. 1, pt. 2, 1756-1790, index, 170 pp. FHL #2440983, item 3.  
Viewable online via familysearch.org (unrestricted access). One Kidd survey for John Kidd, 1756. Also one for Samuel Southern (p. 34, image 367, 4 March 1748) and one for Stephen Seay (p. 109, image 406, 1774 on branches of Great & Little Bremmo Creeks on N. Side of Fluvanna River), not scanned.
- d. **Surveyors Book, vol. 2, 1791-1853**, 208 pp. FHL #1889151, item 2. Viewable online via familysearch.org (restricted access – affiliated libraries). No Index.

9. **Court records**

Court Road Orders, 1744-1748

N.B. – Indexes to Court Order Books typically list PLAINTIFFS only. One needs to browse the Order Book indexes that show the Defendant's surname in a separate column, to find cases in which the individuals we're looking for were defendants.

County Order Books, 1744-1748, 1783-1785, 1791-1831, on microfilm from LDS Library, all reviewed by RK in August 2013, except as noted below:

FHL #30255 (1744-1748, 1783-1785) 4 mentions of Robert Kidd, all captured.

FHL #30256 (1791-1795) – No Kidd entries in index.

**FHL #30257 (1795-1801) Item 3, OB 7 April 1800 – July 6, 1801**, 406 pages, had no index, and was not scanned for Kidds.

**FHL #30258 (1801-1806) Item 1, OB August 3, 1801 - 7 March 1803, 438 pages, and Item 2, OB 7 March 1803 – 6 March 1804**, 309 pages, had no indexes, and were not scanned for Kidds.

Item 3, Order Book, 1806, 499 pages, with Index at front. No Kidds in index.

Albemarle County Court Order Books at Familysearch.org

FHL #30259 (1806-1810) – no Kidd entries



FHL #30260 (1810-1813) – no Kidd entries  
FHL #30261 (1813-1818) – one Kidd entry, for Pleasant Kidd  
FHL #30262 (1818-1822) – no Kidd entries  
FHL #30263 (1822-1825) – no Kidds in index  
FHL #30264 (1826-1828) – no Kidds in index  
FHL #30265 (1828-1831) – no Kidds in index

Albemarle County Law Order Books, 1809-1822 – FHL #1889315. No Kidd entries.

**Court Minute Books (1830-ff., on microfilm at LoV)**

**Criminal Records (1749-ff., on microfilm at LoV, probably not indexed)**

**Chancery Order Books (1849-ff., on microfilm at LoV)**

These are now online through 1850 and we have reviewed the cases for 1803, 1807, and 1839: Chancery Records for Albemarle County 1768-1969 [www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery) ] are indexed at LoV and online from 1768 through 1850.

**Marriage records**

Marriage Bonds, 1780-1860 (unindexed, on microfilms at LoV)

10. **Wills and probate records**, 1749-ff., on microfilm at LoV  
[see Land records, above—Deeds and Wills Book 1748-1752 are in one book]

Circuit Court Will book no. 1 with inventories and accounts, 1798-1844 – FHL #30222, item 3 – starts on image 551. Index in front. Ks on 554 – **no Kidds** (only 1 K there)

Circuit Court Will Book, 1798-1904 (contains wills from No. 1) – FHL #30222, item 4 (starts on image 604 of 679); Includes Inventories and accounts. Index at front. Ks on image 615 – **no Kidds**

Caroline County, General index to wills 1748-1930 – FHL #30210, (269 images) Ks start on image 146 – Only TWO Kidd entries prior to 1928:

Aaron Kidd, 1776 Will WB 2, p 337-338 – FHL #30212, image 179, scanned.

John Kidd, 1785. Will WB3, p 4-5 – FHL #30212, image 256, scanned.

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Same findings as above. No others.

**SECONDARY SOURCES** (arranged alphabetically by surname of lead author). ALL have been abstracted and all Kidd entries in them have been added to this document:

1. *Will abstracts of Albemarle County, Virginia, 1752-1756 and 1775-1783*, abstracted by Lydia Sparacio **Bontempo** ; indexing by Alex Sparacio Dickman, Springfield, Va., Antient Press, 2002. ALSO INCLUDES Albemarle County Will Book of same period.  
Reviewed by Barbara Taylor, April 2018 at the Albemarle Charlottesville Historical Society.
2. *Will abstracts of Albemarle County, Virginia, 1785-1798*, abstracted by Lydia Sparacio **Bontempo** ; indexing by Alex Sparacio Dickman, Springfield, Va., Antient Press, 2002. ALSO INCLUDES Albemarle County Will Book 3, covering the same period.  
Reviewed by Barbara Taylor, April 2018 at the Albemarle Charlottesville Historical Society.

3. *The Buggs of Big Albemarle County, Virginia: in three parts*, by Francis Louis **Brochu**, 1995  
LoV CS71.B9313 Obtained April 2020 via ILL  
LoV has only vol. 1; neither Kidd nor Southern appear in this volume.  
No other lending library found that will loan or scan the other volumes.
4. *A genealogical index to the "History of Albemarle County, Virginia", titled, "Albemarle in Virginia", printed in 1901--reprinted 1932, by Rev. Edgar Woods*, compiled by Anne Bartlett **Coddington** [and] Edward N. Dunlap, Philadelphia; Magee Press, 1936. Reviewed by Barbara Taylor at Albemarle Historical Society, April 2018; no Kidd entries.
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6. *The Deeds of Amherst County, Virginia, 1761-1807 and Albemarle County, Virginia, 1748-1763*, by The Rev. Bailey Fulton **Davis**, Southern Historical Press, 1979  
LoV F232.A55. D34 1979. LoV, July 2018. SCANNED.  
One Kidd, Robert Kidd, in Albemarle; numerous citations for Amherst Kidds.  
SCANNED.
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8. *Fredericksville Parish Vestry book, 1742-1787*, TWO VOLUMES, transcribed and edited by Rosalie Edith **Davis**, Manchester, Mo. : Davis, 1978-1981. [This parish covered parts of Louisa and Albemarle Counties.] NO KIDDS.
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10. *Land lying in the county of Albemarle : Albemarle County, Virginia surveyor's plat books, volumes 1, part land 2, and volume 2, 1744-1853, [and 1892]*, by Eric G. **Grundset**, Fairfax, Va. : E.G. Grundset, 1998. LoV. [reviewed by C Kilby 2007]
11. *Central Virginia land patents from the county abstracts for Goochland, Albemarle, Cumberland, Buckingham, and Amherst counties in the Virginia Land Office 1735-1774*, by Eric G. **Grundset** and Paula Hollis Grundset, Fairfax, Va. : E.G. Grundset, 1999. Only one Kidd citation, for Aaron Kidd, Albemarle County, 1763 (p.78). None in other counties.  
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19. *Index to Virginia Estates, 1800-1865*, compiled by Wesley **Pippenger**, (volume 4 includes Albemarle County, but no Kidds appear in it).
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33. *Deed Abstracts of Albemarle County, Virginia, 1793-1795*, edited and published by Ruth and Sam **Sparacio**, Antient Press, McLean, VA, 1999. Reviewed by Barbara Taylor at Albemarle Historical Society, April 2018.
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## **APPENDIX TWO: Was James Kidd of Slate River the Father of Moses Kidd of Buckingham County, Virginia and His Siblings? And Who Was This James Kidd?**

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Buckingham County was created in 1761 from Albemarle County. In 1869, a courthouse fire in Buckingham County destroyed nearly all records, making Buckingham among the worst of Virginia's "burned record counties." Only one plat book and wills or documents found in the court records of other locales survived. The loss is even more severe since Buckingham County was formed from Albemarle County in 1761, and the Albemarle courthouse was burned by the British in 1781, destroying many early Albemarle records. Very few pre-1861 county records are available. However, researchers have the Buckingham County Virginia personal property tax lists (PPTLs) and land tax lists (LTLs), because the law required that copies of these annual lists be sent to Richmond every year.

With few surviving records to work with, researchers must extract as much as possible from those records that remain, in an attempt to weave them into a plausible, coherent story that fits with the known facts and that can withstand scrutiny.

This paper represents our efforts to answer the two questions posed in the title (above); in it, we lay out our case for two related hypotheses:

- that the James Kidd who received a patent for 290 acres of land in 1760 in that part of Albemarle County that became Buckingham County in 1761 was the father of Moses Kidd of Buckingham and his siblings; and
- that this James Kidd was most likely the James Kidd born on 27 March 1716 in Middlesex County, Virginia to William<sup>2</sup> Kidd and his wife Margaret.

Of necessity, our reasoning relies on multiple disparate pieces of evidence, some of which may at first seem unrelated. For this reason, we thought it might be useful to provide readers with a synopsis of the main points we address in this paper, in the order that they appear in this document.

1. The 1808 Chancery suit over the estate of Moses Kidd, which survives because it was filed in Superior Court of the District held in Prince Edward County, provides the names of his 3 brothers (John, William and Benjamin) and 5 sisters.
2. Buckingham County PPTL and LTL entries for Moses' brother, William Kidd, name the father of William as James Kidd. Therefore, a James Kidd must have been the father of Moses and his other siblings as well.
3. Two of Moses' brothers (John and William) were also landowners in Buckingham County, near Moses' land.
4. Moses Kidd received his first Buckingham County land from his father (who was not named in the court record).
5. a James Kidd received a patent for 290 acres on the north side of the Slate River in Albemarle County in 1760. This land was in the part of Albemarle County that formed Buckingham County in 1761.
6. Five sons and one daughter of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd and his wife Margaret also migrated to Albemarle County in the same time frame as this James Kidd.
7. James<sup>3</sup> Kidd, the son of William<sup>2</sup> (Thomas<sup>1</sup>) Kidd and his wife, Margaret is the best (if not the only) fit for the known facts about the James Kidd of early Buckingham County.

See the full exposition below for the evidence we've reviewed and analyzed, to reach the conclusion that James<sup>3</sup> Kidd, son of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd, was the father of Moses Kidd and his siblings.

## FACTS RELATED TO OUR HYPOTHESIS

In early July 1798, Moses Kidd of Tillotson Parish, Buckingham County, VA, died at his home near New Canton in northeastern Buckingham County. At his death, he owned 367 acres of land on Phelps Creek (also known as Bear Garden Creek) near the community of New Canton.

The years following his death found Moses' siblings – three brothers and six sisters – in court bringing a chancery suit over the rightful ownership of his land, against his widow Elizabeth Toney Kidd and her Toney relatives. Because the case was heard in the Superior Court of the District, which was located in Prince Edward County, VA, before being settled in favor of the defendants the Toneys, the papers detailing the suit have survived in the Prince Edward County chancery files. Since Buckingham is a severely burned record county, this is a remarkable piece of fortune for researchers of the Buckingham County Kidds.

At issue in the suit was the will of Moses Kidd, written in 1781 as he was leaving for militia service in the Revolutionary War. This will was presented by his executors (wife Elizabeth, her brother John Toney, and William Wilkinson) on 9 July 1798, the Monday following his death. Moses and Elizabeth were childless, so the inheritance of his large estate, consisting of 367 acres of property and slaves, was clearly a matter of great importance.

The siblings of Moses Kidd, represented initially by his brother John Kidd as the lead plaintiff, contended that the 1781 will was not Moses' rightful will. Without a valid will, the plaintiffs knew that the property of the childless Moses Kidd would revert to his Kidd relatives, with only a dower portion for his widow Elizabeth.

To further complicate matters, some of the numerous witnesses testified in the suit that Moses had written a second will leaving his estate to Sarah (Sally) Falwell, a woman of color with whom he reputedly had at least eight children (named in testimony as Elisha, Mary, Elizabeth, Dinah, Judith, Sarah, Nancy, and John). Although the attorney for Sally Falwell presented the will in her possession immediately following Moses' death, it was quickly tossed out by the court (this was, perhaps, inevitable, given that Sally, though likely free, was a woman of color with little legal standing in 18<sup>th</sup> century Virginia).

This constellation of events led the siblings of Moses Kidd to sue his widow over his estate in 1803 in the Superior Court of Richmond District, Prince Edward District Court.<sup>411</sup> **Thanks to this suit, we are able to learn the names of all his surviving siblings.** With this information, we can theorize about the identity of the father of this large Buckingham County, VA family of Kidds.

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<sup>411</sup> John Kidd et al v Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd et al, Superior Court of Richmond District (VA), Prince Edward District Court (VA), 1803-1807. Final disposition Sept. 1808. See Library of Virginia, Prince Edward County Chancery Causes. File 1808-018. Images of this record are available at this URL: [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/full\\_case\\_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018#img](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/full_case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018#img)

### Brothers of Moses Kidd (named in this Chancery suit)

1. **John**, listed in early records as of Tillotson Parish<sup>412</sup>, and a large landowner of 324 acres of property on the Slate River in Buckingham County, died by 1804. Known sons: James<sup>413</sup>, Joseph<sup>414</sup>, Sherwood<sup>415</sup>, Absalom<sup>416</sup>, Archibald/Archer<sup>417</sup>, Edmond<sup>418</sup>, William<sup>419</sup>. Another possible son is John (Jr.). Testimony in the suit attested that John and Moses were both prosperous landowners, and that Moses had intended his brother John and family to have his property along with his sister Sarah's family. [pls see Buckingham BD.]
2. **William**, a smaller landowner of 100 acres in Buckingham County near New Canton on Phelps Creek, died by 1807.<sup>420</sup> Wife Ann(e). Known sons: William, Jr., Shadrack, and Robert. Another possible son is Henry. Testimony in the suit attested that Moses believed that if his brothers William and Benjamin got his land, they would not know "how to possess it."<sup>421</sup> This suggests they were not as prosperous as Moses and John. In the years following William's death, at least part of his holdings were subject to a sheriff's sale, which possibly indicated insolvency.<sup>422</sup>
3. **Benjamin**, named as a party to the suit and as Moses' brother, so presumably alive in 1803. Benjamin appears once, in 1786, on the personal property tax lists for Buckingham County (with one white tithable) and is not found on the land tax lists.<sup>423</sup>

We believe this to be the Benjamin Kidd who is found in Pittsylvania County, VA and Surry County, NC<sup>424</sup>, and who in his Revolutionary War pension application attested that he was born

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<sup>412</sup> Tillotson Parish was created in 1757 from St. Anne's Parish in Albemarle County, Virginia. Most if not all of the area comprising Tillotson Parish was in current-day Buckingham County. Buckingham was created in 1758 out of Albemarle and Appomattox counties. For more information, see [https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Tillotson\\_Parish,\\_Virginia](https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Tillotson_Parish,_Virginia)

<sup>413</sup> Listed on the 1790 Buckingham County PPTL as "James, son of John."

<sup>414</sup> Named as a son of John in the Kidd v. Kidd suit

<sup>415</sup> Named as a son of John in the Kidd v. Kidd suit; listed as "Archibald, son of John" in 1797 Buckingham County PPTL.

<sup>416</sup> listed as "Absalom, son of John" in the 1797 Buckingham County PPTL.

<sup>417</sup> listed as "Archibald, son of John" in the 1797 Buckingham County PPTL.

<sup>418</sup> On the 1793 Buckingham PPTL tax for John's HH, the initials S, A, and E appear as his white tithables. There is no other given name of Kidd starting with E. Edmond appears in his own HH 1796-1799. We consider this evidence supporting the inclusion of Edmond as one of John's sons.

<sup>419</sup> listed as "William, son of John" in the 1799 Buckingham County PPTL.

<sup>420</sup> In 1807, his widow, Ann Kidd, first appears on the Buckingham PPTLs, with one WMT and two taxable slaves. She's found on most but not all of the annual PPTLs through 1819, after which she drops from the list. In some years, she pays a tithable for son Robert; in others, either Robert or "William, son of Ann" are listed adjacent to her on the PPTLs. This is evidence that William, son of James died before 1807, despite his continuing to appear on the PPTLs through 1813.

<sup>421</sup> Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al* v. Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al*. 1808-018. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018)

<sup>422</sup> See William Kidd's section of the Buckingham County BD for details.

<sup>423</sup> We believe that he's the Benjamin Kidd who is found on the 1830 and 1840 federal censuses in Surry County, NC, and who applied for a Rev. War pension from there in 1845, in which he states that he was born in Buckingham County, VA in 1752. This Benjamin was dead by 1852, and probably by 1850, since he's not found on the 1850 Surry County, NC census that year.

<sup>424</sup> See Benjamin Kidd's section of the Buckingham County BD for details and specific citations.

in Buckingham County in 1752 [*sic*, Buckingham not formed until 1761.]  
Known sons are Jesse and Allen Kidd.

### Sisters of Moses Kidd

4. **Sarah**, m James Boatright; their son Benjamin Boatwright was named as the second plaintiff in the suit, which suggests that Sarah, and perhaps James, were both deceased by the time of the suit in 1803.
5. **Dacey**, m Richard Falwell
6. **Susanna**, m unknown Quarles, widowed by time of suit in 1803.<sup>425</sup>
7. **Judith**, m James Quarles<sup>426</sup>
8. **Patsy (Martha)**, m Reuben Southern. The Southern family intermarried with the Kidds; Margaret Kidd, daughter of William<sup>2</sup> and Margaret Kidd, married John Southern and they were part of the Kidd family migration to central Virginia, where they owned land on Bear Garden Creek. Reuben is believed to be the son of John and Margaret Southern. This family moved to Stokes County, NC, where Reuben and Patsy Southern sold land in Stokes County in 1828 to Peter Hairston.<sup>427</sup>
9. **Nancy**, m unknown Smith, no husband named in suit and not identified as a widow. It is possible that this is the Anna Kidd who married Platt Smith in 1790 in Buckingham County.<sup>428</sup>

While rich in detail about the life of Moses Kidd, the 1803 suit, *Kidd v Kidd*, names neither father nor mother of Moses and his siblings--but it does provide important clues that help us to determine the possible identity of the father of these Kidds.

Among the testimony of the witnesses was a deposition made on 3 July 1804 by Moses' estate executor William Wilkinson that Moses received 200 acres from his father and later added significantly to his initial land holdings.<sup>429</sup> See Figure below:

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<sup>425</sup> She is likely the Susanna Quarles on the federal census in Buckingham County on the 1810 census: Susannah Quarls – 1M 26-44; 2F 16-25, 2 26-44 & 1 45 and older. No slaves. Next door is a William Quarls, age 26-44, with his family. I don't find her after 1810. Judging from her age on this census, Susanna was born by 1775, perhaps considerably earlier.

<sup>426</sup> On federal census in Buckingham County, VA in 1810 – Judith Quarls 2M<10, 1 10-15; 2F<10, 2 10-15, 1 16-25, 2F 45 & older, no slaves. Thus Judith too would have been born prior to 1775, perhaps much earlier. Not found in Buckingham in 1820 or later.

<sup>427</sup> Stokes Co NC Deed Book 9, p 257.

<sup>428</sup> On 15 December 1790, Baptist minister Rev. Rene Chastain Jr. solemnized the marriage of **Anna Kidd** to Platt Smith, per Chastain's personal papers ("Diary of Rev. Rene Chastain Jr.," *Buckingham County Virginia Church and Marriage Records, 1764-1822*, compiled and abstracted by Mary Bondurant Warren, Heritage Papers, Athens GA, 1993, p 48). This same minister performed the 1785 marriage of Dacey Kidd to William Goss; the 1786 marriages of Absolem Kidd to Lettice Owen and of Mary Kidd to John Walker; the 1789 marriage of James Kidd to Elizabeth Meglason; and the 1793 marriage of James Kidd to Elizabeth Baltimar (*Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*, volume 30, pp. 247-251).

<sup>429</sup> Prince Edward County (Va.) Chancery Causes, 1754-1913. John Kidd *et al* v. Elizabeth Kidd, widow of Moses Kidd *et al*. 1808-018, image 12 of 19 at URL below. Local Government Records Collection, Prince Edward District Court Records. The Library of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia. See [http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case\\_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018](http://www.lva.virginia.gov/chancery/case_detail.asp?CFN=147-1808-018)

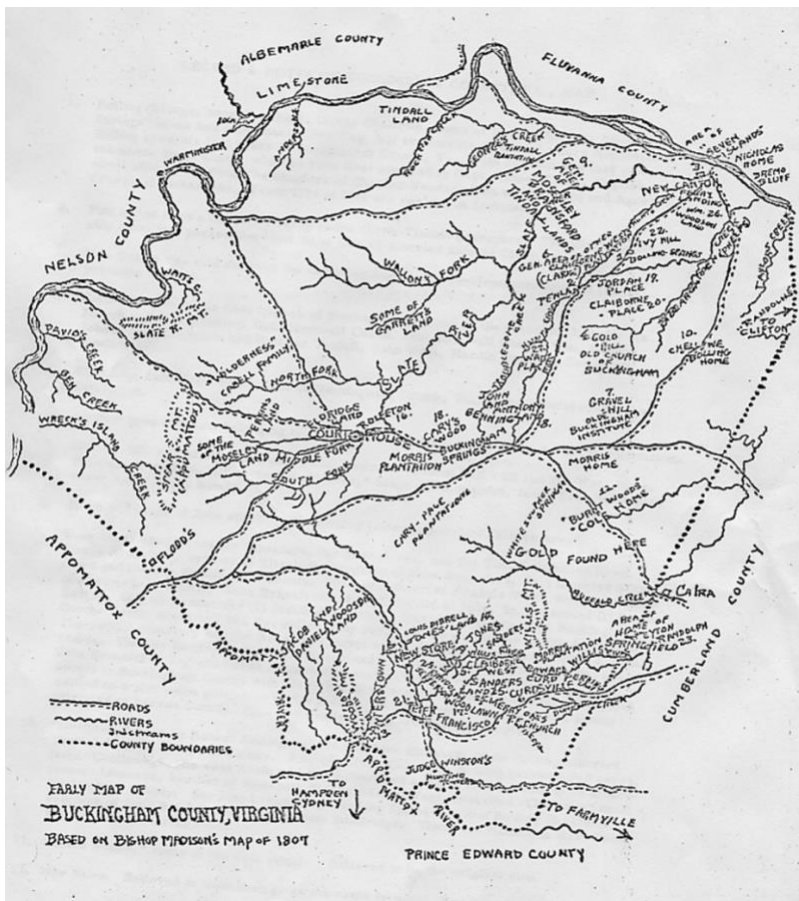


... did the property then willed come by his wife, Answer, No. - Question by the same, did Moses Kidd buy the land conveyed by that will, and did he not buy land after that will was made, Answer, The land owned by Moses Kidd when the will was made, was given him by his father, and Moses Kidd purchased the balance of the tract now in the possession of Mrs. Kidd, since said Will was made. -  
 William Wilkinson  
 Sworn to before us at house of Benjamin Pollard in the Town of New Canton 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1844.

**FIGURE:** Statement of Moses Kidd’s executor William Wilkinson, made on 3 July 1804, regarding the source of Moses Kidd’s land in Buckingham County. Unfortunately for us, it does not name Moses’ father. But it does confirm that Moses Kidd’s father was a landowner in Buckingham County.

**The Location and proximity of Kidd lands on the Slate River and Bear Garden Creek**

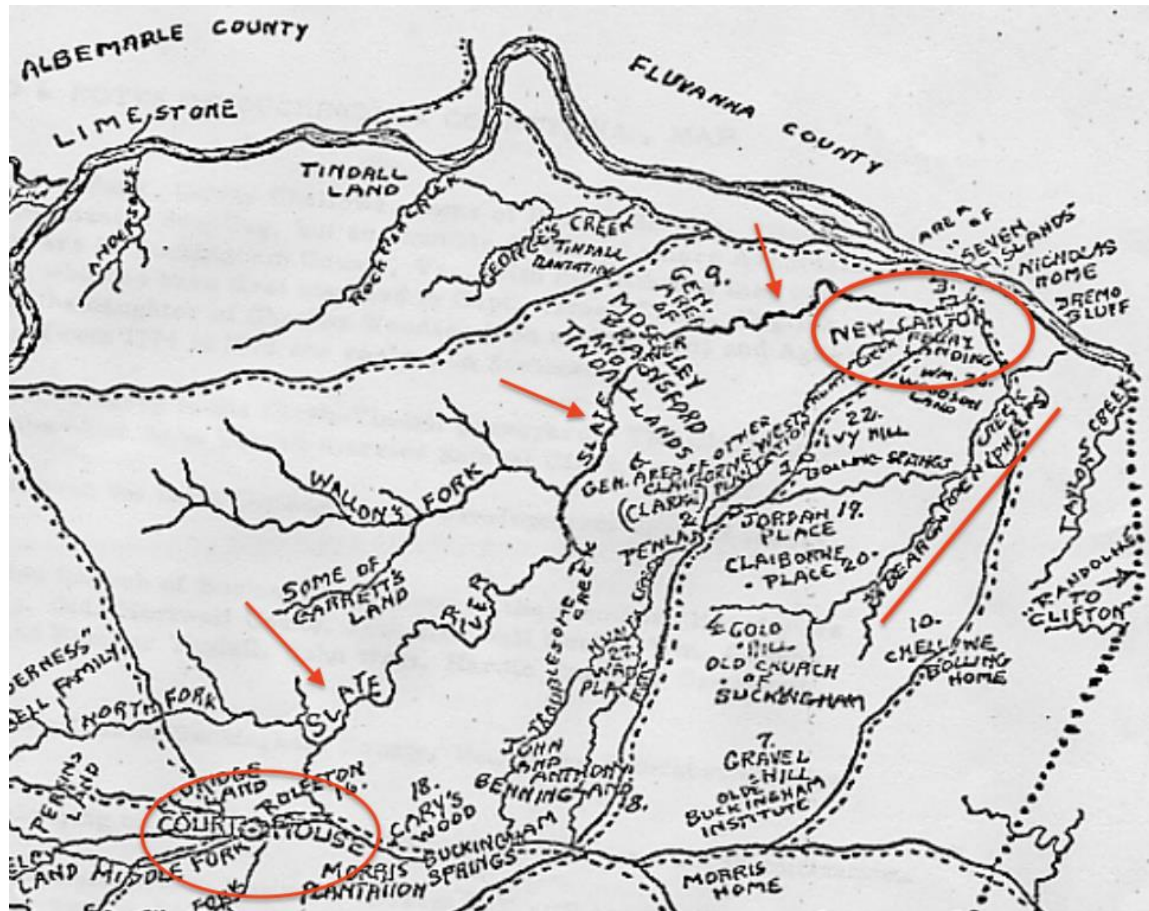
Below is a facsimile of an 1807 map of Buckingham County:



**FIGURE:** Early map of Buckingham County, showing its waterways, and its borders with neighboring counties. See next page for an enlargement of the NE portion of the county.

It is possible to determine through Buckingham County land tax records the approximate location of the lands of Moses Kidd, and the proximity of the land of his known Kidd siblings, as well as the

land belonging to James<sup>3</sup> Kidd. The parcels that are of interest here are in the north-eastern portion of Buckingham County. See Figure below:



**FIGURE:** Cropped image of the previous Figure, showing the NE area of Buckingham County. The community of New Canton is in the upper right of this image, within the oval. The County Courthouse is marked by the oval in the lower left corner. Bear Garden (Phelps) Creek is underlined with the diagonal line below New Canton. And the Slate River is denoted by the red arrows. Using a USGS map, the distance between Buckingham Courthouse and New Canton is 19.7 miles “as the crow flies.” It would have been farther by the roads of the day.

In the land tax list descriptions, Moses’ land was consistently noted as lying on Glover Road and on Phelps Creek (also known as Bear Garden Creek), 23 miles east of the Courthouse, near New Canton. John’s land was noted as lying on the Slate River. William’s land was also on Phelps Creek, and near New Canton. Furthermore, William’s widow Ann was noted as living near the land of the deceased Moses Kidd, and later William and Ann’s sons Shadrack and Robert had possession of 70 acres of the Moses Kidd estate, which they sold in 1824 to F.B. Dean.<sup>430</sup>

<sup>430</sup> We have personally reviewed the extant Buckingham County Land Tax Books from their inception in 1782 through 1863, found on FHL microfilms #29901 (1782-1803), #29902 (1804-1807, 1809-1819, #29903 (1820-1831), #29904 (1832-1835), #29905 (1836-1844), #29906 (1845-1850), #29907 (1851-1858), and #29908 (1859-1863). Digital images of some of these entries are available upon request from the authors.

William and John are very popular American names, and the Kidd family in 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century Buckingham County was no exception. When men of the same name appeared on the tax lists, the tax collector often noted additional family information or geographic location, in order to identify which man was being taxed. In this case, William of New Canton, a landowner with 100 acres, was noted consistently on the tax lists as “son of James.”<sup>431</sup>

We know from this descriptor, then, that James Kidd is the father of William Kidd of Phelps Creek, also known as Bear Garden Creek, near New Canton. Since the *Kidd v Kidd* suit identifies William along with John and Benjamin as brothers of Moses Kidd, it stands to reason that this James Kidd is the patriarch of this Buckingham County VA family.

Given that Moses and Benjamin both served in the Revolutionary War—and that Benjamin stated in his RW pension application that his date of birth was 1752—a man old enough to be their father would most likely have been born by 1720. The Kidd men found in central Virginia who are old enough to fit this date parameter are all believed to be sons of William<sup>2</sup> and Margaret Kidd of Middlesex County, VA, six of whom migrated out of Middlesex in the years following the 1727 deaths of both their parents. One of the six sons who left Middlesex County was James Kidd.

In 1760, James Kidd received a land patent in Albemarle County, for the sum of 30 shillings, for 290 acres on the north side of and joining the Slate River, adjoining the land of Edward Kersie.<sup>432</sup> This land was in the part of Albemarle that became Buckingham County soon thereafter, in 1761.

Also acquiring land in Albemarle County were James’s brothers, Robert, Aaron and John Kidd. The first Kidd land reference found in Albemarle County was in 1746, when a survey dated 13 Oct 1746 was made for Robert Kidd, for 200 acres on both sides of the Hardware River.<sup>433</sup> However, Robert Kidd likely did not retain possession of this land, since a note on the plat reads “Kidd insolvent.”<sup>434</sup>

Aaron and John Kidd’s tracts were further north on the Rivanna River, at Roundabout Creek. Aaron Kidd patented an 80-acre tract in 1763 on the Roundabout Creek.<sup>435</sup> John Kidd was named

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<sup>431</sup> Ibid. See this William’s section of this document for specifics.

<sup>432</sup> James Kidd, grantee, Virginia Land Office Patents database, online at Library of Virginia, Land Office Patents No. 34, 1756-1765, p. 710 (reel 33-34). See Albemarle Co source documents for image scan.

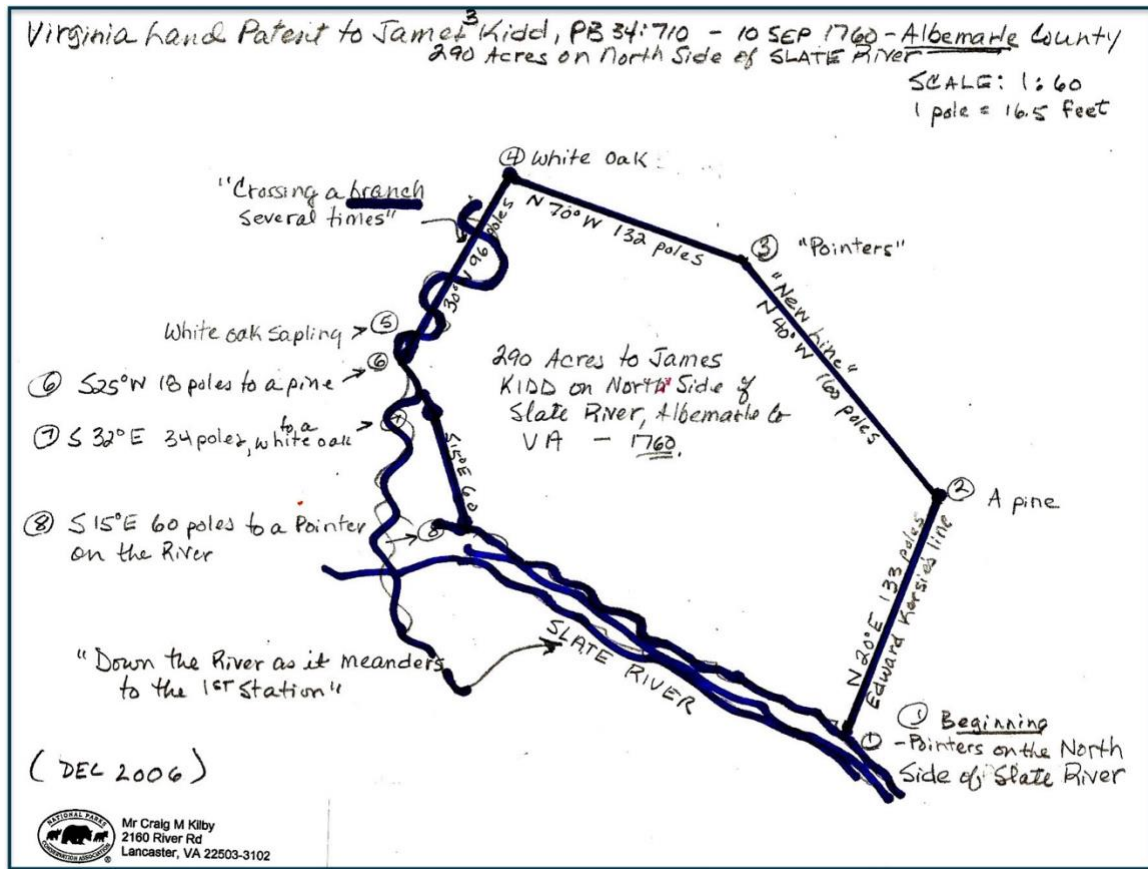
<sup>433</sup> *Land lying in the county of Albemarle : Albemarle County, Virginia surveyor's plat books, volumes 1, part land 2, and volume 2, 1744-1853, [and 1892]*, by Eric G. Grundset, Fairfax, Va. : E.G. Grundset, 1998, p. 9, citing Survey Book 1, p. 29, abstracted by C Kilby 2007]. Images of this page, and of Robert Kidd’s individual survey may be found in the Albemarle Source Documents folder on Dropbox.

<sup>434</sup> Also cited in *The Deeds of Amherst County, Virginia, 1761-1807 and Albemarle County, Virginia, 1748-1763*, by The Rev. Bailey Fulton Davis, Southern Historical Press, 1979, pp. 2-3., citing Order Book 1744-1777, p. 290.

<sup>435</sup> Aaron Kidd, grantee, Virginia Land Office Patents database, online at Library of Virginia, Land Office Patents No. 35, 1762-1764 (v.1 & 2 p.1-556), p. 434 (Reel 35). Scanned image in Albemarle Co source documents folder.

in several deeds (1752,<sup>436</sup> 1756,<sup>437</sup> 1760,<sup>438</sup> and 1761<sup>439</sup>) as a landowner or neighboring landowner in Albemarle County.<sup>440</sup>

Also in this area were John Southern and his wife Margaret Kidd, the daughter of William and Margaret Kidd of Middlesex County. In 1749, John Southern purchased from William Webb a tract of 325 acres, lying on Bear Garden Creek, later known as Phelps Creek.<sup>441</sup>



**FIGURE:** Land plat of James Kidd, 1760, Albemarle County, drawn by Craig Kilby, researcher, Lancaster County, VA

<sup>436</sup> *Land lying in the county of Albemarle: Albemarle County, Virginia surveyor's plat books, volumes 1, part land 2, and volume 2, 1744-1853, [and 1892]*, by Eric G. Grundset, Fairfax, Va.: E.G. Grundset, 1998, p. 49, citing Survey Book 1, [part 1?], p. 215, abstracted by C Kilby 2007].

<sup>437</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 82, citing Survey Book 1, part 2, p. 22. Images of this plats page and of John Kidd's survey are available upon request.

<sup>438</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 87, citing Survey Book 1, p. 42, abstracted by C Kilby 2007]. Images of this plats page and of John Kidd's survey are available upon request.

<sup>439</sup> William Melton, grantee, Virginia Land Office Patents database, online at Library of Virginia, Land Office Patents No. 34, 1756-1765, p. 803 (Reel 33-34). Scanned image in Albemarle Co source documents.

<sup>440</sup> See their entries in the Albemarle BD for more information.

<sup>441</sup> *Deed and Will Abstracts of Albemarle County, Virginia (1748-1752)*, compiled by Ruth and Sam Sparacio, Antient Press, McLean VA, 1990, p. 51.

The Slate River runs across Buckingham County from southwest to northeast, where it flows into the James River near New Canton.

Moses Kidd's land was on Glovers Road and Phelps Creek (formerly known as Bear Garden Creek), 23 miles east of the Courthouse, according to the annual Land Tax List descriptions. This location is just south of New Canton, on the south side of the James River.

Moses' brother John Kidd died with 324 acres on the Slate River by 1803/1804. His land was listed for nearly a decade under the name of his son Joseph Kidd before dropping from the land tax lists in 1812.<sup>442</sup>

Moses' brother William Kidd: there were several men by this name in Buckingham County records, and three were land owners. One of them, listed in the LTLs and PPTLs as "William, son of James," owned 100 acres in 1782; its location was given as on Phelps Creek, near New Canton & 25 miles east of the courthouse. Starting in 1814, the 100 acres is listed as Estate of William Kidd. The estate continues through 1846, when the last of the acreage has been sold, apparently by Shadrack Kidd (William's son) in 1844. The land is subject to several sheriff's sales, which may indicate insolvency of the estate.

Also supporting this relationship is that in 1834, Shadrack and Robert Kidd sold 70 acres of the Moses Kidd estate to F.B. [Francis] Dean. [footnote LTLs and suit]

The other two William Kidds who were landowners weren't proximate to Moses. One, named in the Buckingham LTLs as "William Sr.," owned 190 acres from 1787-1803, after which he drops from the LTLs in 1804. A second William Kidd, listed as "William, son of John" in the LTLs, is likely the nephew of William Kidd of New Canton and first appears with land (60 acres) in Buckingham County in 1806. His land was described as "on the Slate River, 20 miles NE of the courthouse.

We find no land in Buckingham County in the name of Benjamin Kidd.

### **CONCLUSION ONE:**

**We believe that the above constellation of records make it highly probable that the father of Moses Kidd and his siblings was the James Kidd who in 1760 patented land on the Slate River, in proximity to these other Kidds.**

### **Identifying James Kidd of early Buckingham County**

Having made the case that the James Kidd who patented 290 acres of land on the Slate River is the father of Moses Kidd and his siblings, we turn to the next question: what is the identity of this James Kidd?

We believe that this James Kidd is likely James Kidd, son of William<sup>2</sup> and Margaret Kidd of Middlesex County, VA.

Supporting evidence for this theory:

1. A man old enough to be the father of children born in the early 1750s would likely have been born by 1720 in this era.  
James Kidd, son of William and Margaret, was baptized 28 Apr 1716 in Christ Church Parish in Middlesex County, VA.

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<sup>442</sup> See his section in the Buckingham County BD for full details.

2. Six of William<sup>2</sup> and Margaret Kidd's sons—Robert, John, James, Aaron, Duel, and Moses—and one daughter Margaret Kidd Southern, wife of John Southern, have been indentured in central Virginia records, confirming their migration from Middlesex County to central Virginia by the mid-1700s.
3. There is a connection between the Parish family of Goochland County and James Kidd and John Kidd. By 1755, according to the records kept by Rev. William Douglas, this James Kidd had married Morning Parish, daughter of Henry Parish.<sup>443</sup> At least six years earlier, James' brother John Kidd had married Ruth Parish, daughter of Henry Parish and sister to Morning. The Parish connection is a useful clue to identifying this James Kidd and tying him to John Kidd, son of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd of Middlesex County.
4. Three of the daughters of James Kidd and Morning Parish are listed in Rev. William Douglas's register of marriages and births. Dicea Kidd, daughter of James Kidd [published as Kill] and Morning Parish, was born 6 Aug 1756 and baptized 5 Sept 1756.<sup>444</sup> Mary Kidd, daughter of James Kidd [published as Caid] and Morning Parish, was born 11 Jan 1759 and baptized 18 Feb 1759.<sup>445</sup> Sally Kidd, daughter of James Kidd and Morning Parish, was born 3 Feb 1761 and was baptized 29 Mar 1761.<sup>446</sup>

Two of these daughters – Dicea/Dicey and Sarah/Sally – also appear in the list of siblings of Moses Kidd given in the suit *Kidd v Kidd* in Buckingham County, VA (1803). Dicey Kidd was listed as the wife of Richard Falwell, and Sarah as the wife of James Boatwright.

5. The absence of any other known James Kidd in central Virginia records during the mid—1700s. **Our reasonably exhaustive search has not found evidence of any other James Kidd, born by 1716, anywhere in Virginia. There is no other James Kidd to consider as an alternative suspect.**

All records found to date indicate that all the Kidds in eastern or central Virginia prior to 1760 are by definition the descendants of Thomas<sup>1</sup> Kidd of Middlesex County. No records have been found to indicate the presence of another unrelated branch of Kidds.

Thomas<sup>1</sup> Kidd had two sons, Thomas<sup>2</sup> and William<sup>2</sup> Kidd.

Thomas<sup>2</sup> had five known sons, and none of them were named James Kidd.

Thomas<sup>2</sup>'s first son, Thomas<sup>3</sup>, had two known sons. Neither was named James, and both were born after 1716.

Thomas<sup>2</sup>'s second son, John<sup>3</sup>, did have a son named James, born in 1738. This James Kidd could not have been the father of Moses, who was likely born by 1743. He lived out his life in Middlesex County where he was a tavern owner in the town of Urbanna and left numerous records in Middlesex County.

Thomas<sup>2</sup> Kidd's third son Daniel<sup>3</sup> was born abt 1696 and had no known son James; the Essex County men suspected to be his sons were named Henry, Isaac, and William. Thomas<sup>2</sup> Kidd's

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<sup>443</sup> *The Douglas Register*, pp. 30, 80, citing p. 2 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

<sup>444</sup> *The Douglas Register*, p. 167, citing p. 49 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

<sup>445</sup> *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 54 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

<sup>446</sup> *The Douglas Register*, p. 230, citing p. 59 of the Register, digitized at Ancestry.com

fourth son Henry, born in 1707, was not named in his father's 1727 will and likely died before 1727.

Thomas<sup>2</sup> Kidd's fifth son, William was born in 1716, and could not have had a son born before 1730.

William<sup>2</sup> Kidd DID have a son named James, born in 1716 in Middlesex County. This James is our top candidate for the father of Moses and his siblings.

What about the other sons of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd? Might any of them have sired a son named James, born by 1720 or so, soon enough to have fathered Moses and his siblings. This seems improbable, to say the least. William<sup>3</sup>, the eldest son of William<sup>2</sup>, was born circa 1707; his two known sons (William<sup>4</sup> and John<sup>4</sup>) were born in 1729 and 1733 respectively in Middlesex County.

Robert<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>'s second son, was born circa 1703, and would be very unlikely to have fathered a son by 1720. He had no known descendants and disappears from the central Virginia records by 1746.

All eight of William<sup>2</sup>'s other sons were born after 1706, too late to have fathered a son by 1720. Of these sons, only Duel had a known son named James, who was born in 1737 in Middlesex County and so was too young to be the father of Moses Kidd.

**By process of elimination, James<sup>3</sup> Kidd, son of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd, is by far the most likely to be the James Kidd of Slate River in Albemarle/Buckingham County in 1760.**

6. Evidence against this theory is that James Kidd, if he were the father of Moses Kidd, was likely married at least a decade before 1755. In 1764, Moses Kidd appears on an early Buckingham County, VA tax list fragment that was found in the records of Prince Edward County. In order for Moses to be old enough in 1764 to be on a tax list, he would have been born by 1743. Did James have a first wife (which seems likely); or was this marriage date an estimated "no later than" marriage date, as were many others in the published version of Rev. William Douglas's register?
7. Other unreconciled evidence is that the Douglas Register includes the 1759 birth/baptism of a Mary as a child of James Kidd and Mourning Parish. There is no Mary or Polly among the siblings of Moses Kidd. It is possible, however, that Mary had died or moved away prior to the *Kidd v Kidd* suit.

Research into the Boatwright, Quarles, and Falwell families – and additional research into the landowners and neighbors of the Kidds who lived near New Canton in Buckingham County – may help to confirm or refute this theory.

## CONCLUSION TWO

**Based upon the above analysis, the James Kidd who patented 290 acres on the north side of the Slate River in 1760, was James<sup>3</sup> Kidd, the son of William<sup>2</sup> Kidd and his wife Margaret, born in 1716 in Middlesex County.**

### APPENDIX 3: WERE WILLIAM KIDD SR. and JAMES KIDD SR. OF ALBEMARLE, AMHERST & NELSON COUNTIES, VIRGINIA THE SONS OF JOHN<sup>3b</sup> KIDD OF GOOCHLAND AND ALBEMARLE COUNTIES, VIRGINIA?

The authors believe that **William Kidd Sr.** (aka William<sup>4b</sup> Kidd) and **James Kidd Sr.** (aka James<sup>4</sup> Kidd) of Albemarle, Amherst and Nelson Counties, Virginia, were most likely the sons of **John Kidd (aka John<sup>3b</sup> Kidd)** and his wife Ruth Farish/Parish<sup>447</sup> of Goochland and Albemarle Counties, Virginia. **John Kidd** was the son of **William Kidd** of Middlesex County, Virginia, and the grandson of **Thomas Kidd**, who was in the Virginia colony by 1646 and who died in Middlesex County in 1680. We know that **John Norman Kidd**, son of John Kidd and Ruth Farish/Parish, died in 1795 in Amherst County, VA, before the founding of Nelson County; his widow Juriah is found in Nelson County, VA on the 1810 census.

This hypothesis is based upon the following facts.

1. **John<sup>3b</sup> Kidd** had three sons **John Norman Kidd, William Kidd, and James Kidd**, each named in his 1785 Albemarle County, Virginia will. John Norman and William are named as John's "two eldest sons," and James can be inferred as the youngest since he is to receive his inheritance following the death of his mother. In James Kidd's Revolutionary War pension application (see [Appendix 3](#)), he states his birth as 22 April 1766, making him 18 at the time his father wrote his will.

In the name of god, amen

I **John Kidd** of Albemarle County being in a low state of bodily health but in the full exercise of my reason so make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following  
[indecipherable] I bequeath my body to the grave by  
a decent burial at the discretion of my Executors. Item I refer that all my Just debts be paid Item I lend to my beloved wife **Ruth** during her natural life the land whereon I now live together with all the stock and household Furniture Item I give to my two Eldest Sons **John Norman** and **William** to be equally [divided] between them one Certain Tract or Parcel of Land lying in Hanover County on Turkey Creek Commonly known by the name of Napiers Ordinary which Said land was given to my wife Ruth and to the heirs of her body lawfull begotton by her grand father Henry [At]kinson Item after my wife Decease I give and bequeath to my Son **James** the land stock household Furniture [P] lent her I appoint as Executors of this my last will and Testament my Sons **John Norman Kidd & William Kidd**. Abrogating and dissolving all former wills by me made and declaring this to be my last will and Testament in Witness whereof I have here unto Set my hand and Seal this 11th Day of March one Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty five

**Joseph Kidd [John, see footnote, below]**

Signed and Sealed

in presence of: John Wharton

Edw[Edward] X Kearsey

**Benj.[Benjamin] X Kidd**

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<sup>447</sup> Her maiden name is spelled both ways in Goochland County records.



At Albemarle September Court 1785 –

This will was proved by the Oath of John Wharton, Edward Kearsy & **Benjamin Kidd**, three witnesses thereto and Ord[Ordered] to be Recorded Test.

Martin D[indecipherable]<sup>448</sup>

[Note: This Benjamin Kidd is John Kidd’s nephew, the son of his brother Aaron Kidd. Both John and Aaron settled in Albemarle County in close proximity to each other.]

2. These brothers appear in proximity to each other in records of Albemarle, Amherst, and Nelson Counties.

The table below shows the Kidd entries on the **Albemarle County** PPTLs for the years 1782 (the first year for which tax lists are available) through 1786.<sup>449</sup>

YEAR	TAXPAYER	FWM >21	Slaves	Cattle	Horses, etc.	image #
1782	<b>Norman Kidd</b>	1	0	5	2	30
	no others					
1783	<b>John Norman Kidd</b>	1	0	5	2	42
1784	Benjamin Kidd	1	0	2	1	57
	<b>John Norman Kidd</b>	1	0	5	2	
	<b>William Kidd</b>	1	0	5	0	
1785	Moses Kidd	1	0	1	2	72
	no others					
1786	Moses Kidd	1	0	1	2	89
	no others					

In 1787, **James Kidd**, likely William and John Norman Kidd’s brother and the youngest son of John Kidd and Ruth Parish, first appears on the **Albemarle** County PPTLs. He would have been age 21 in 1787, so this is consistent with his stated birthdate of 1766. He appears annually through 1792, then drops from this county’s lists for 3 years.

Year	Parish	Taxpayer	Tithes	Property	image # <sup>450</sup>
1787	St. Ann’s	James Kidd	1	1 horse	108
1788	not listed				149-150

<sup>448</sup> Albemarle County, VA Will Book 3, pp. 4-5, retrieved from FHL #30212, item 2, image 256 of 433 (unrestricted access) [NOTE that the will bears the title "Will of **JOHN KIDD**" in the record, but the name given as the signer at the bottom looks like "Joseph Kidd." We believe that this was a clerk’s error in recording the will in the Will Book.]

<sup>449</sup> The Image # refers to the location of each year’s entries on microfilm of the Personal Property Tax Lists.

<sup>450</sup> In this Table, “Image #” refers to the location where each specific entry can be found on the LDS microfilm 2024443, Albemarle County, VA PPTLs, 1782-1799 via Familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

1789	not listed <sup>451</sup>				189
1790	St. Ann's	James Kidd	1	1 horse	239-240
1791	St. Ann's	James Kidd	1	None	288
1792	St. Ann's	James Kidd	1	1 horse	337

The **Table** below lists the entries on the **Amherst County PPTLs** for the years 1782 through 1807 for John Norman [until his death in 1795], William, and James Kidd, all in Amherst Parish of Amherst County, the parish that became Nelson County in 1809]<sup>452</sup> :

Year	Date	Taxpayer	WMT	Slaves	Horses	Image # <sup>453</sup>
1782 - 1785		no Kidds listed				
1786	no dates	John N.	1	1	2	76
		William	1	0	2	
1787	29-Mar	N. John	1	0	1	94
		William	1	0	1	
1788	2-Apr	N. John	1	0	1	133
	2-Apr	William	1	0	1	
1789	30-Mar	N. John	1	0	1	162
	30-Mar	William	1	0	2	
1790	20-Apr	N. John	1	0	0	192
	25-Apr	William	1	0	1	
1791	7-May	John Normond	1	0	0	222
	12-Jul	William	1	0	1	
1792	26-May	N. John	1	0	0	254
	3-May	William	1	0	1	
1793	18-Mar	Jno. Norman	1	0	1	285
	27-May	William	1	0	1	
1794	21-Apr	John Norman & Charles Reynolds	2	0	1	319
	30-Apr	James	1	0	2	
	3-Jun	William	1	0	1	

<sup>451</sup> In this year, the tax list for St. Ann's Parish skips from J surnames to L surnames; the clerk making the copy of this tax list appears to have skipped over them. James or other Kidds may have been there, but the records are missing.

<sup>452</sup> Amherst County PPTLs are viewable online at familysearch.org (unrestricted access): FHL #2024257 (1782-1803), #2024258 (1804-1823), #2024259 (1824-1847) and #2024260 (1848-1851).

<sup>453</sup> The column in this table titled **Image #** refers to the image number on which each entry may be found. For example, the image of the Kidd entries on the 1786 Amherst parish and County PPTL is image # 76 on FHL #2024457.

1795	16-Mar	James	1	0	1	349
	10-Apr	William	1	0	1	
1796	4-Apr	William	1	0	1	370
1797	15-Aug	William	1	0	1	393
1798	no dates	William	1	0	2	417
1799	no dates	William	1	0	3	446
1800	no dates	James	2	0	2	477
		No William				
1801	no dates	James	1	0	3	511
	no dates	William	1	0	4	
1802	no dates	James	1	0	2	546
	no dates	William	1	0	3	
1803	no dates	William	1	0	1	582
	no dates	Jorah	1	0	3	
	no dates	James	1	0	1	
1804	no dates	James	1	0	0	18 <sup>454</sup>
	no dates	William	2	0	3	
1805	no dates	William	3	0	4	57
	no dates	James	1	0	2	
1806	no dates	Wm.	3	0	5	98
	no dates	Jas. (Rfish)	1	1	1	
1807	no dates	William	3	0	5	141
	no dates	James (Rockfish)	1	0	1	
1808		No tax lists				

William and John Norman Kidd are jointly named in several Amherst County court suits for debt, and William is named as co-executor in John Norman Kidd's 1795 Amherst County will. John Kidd, likely John Norman Kidd, is a witness to James Kidd's 1790 marriage in Albemarle County, and, in 1792, James and John Kidd witness deeds in Albemarle County for the Thomas family on the same day.

1786 – Amherst County Court, March 1786. John Thurmond, Plt. vs. **William Kidd** and **John Norman Kidd**, Defts.} In Debt. Defendants, though solemnly called, failed to appear. Court rules that Judgment be entered for the Plt. against the Defts. and James Wood, common bail for defendant William Kidd, and against William as common bail for defendant John, for the debt in the declaration, unless the defendants appear at the next

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<sup>454</sup> This and subsequent Image # entries in this Table refer to the image number on microfilm reel FHL #2025458, Amherst County, Virginia PPTLs, 1804-1823, viewable online via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

Court to plead to issue.<sup>455</sup>

Amherst County Court, August 1786. John Thurmond, Plt. vs. **William Kidd** and **John Norman Kidd**, Defts.} In Debt. The defendants waive their plea, and agree that the plaintiff have judgment against them for the debt in the declaration...£5.15, with interest from 5 August 1784 till paid, and his costs. Plaintiff agrees to stay execution on this judgment for two months. Six pence and one shilling as part of this judgment was paid on 7 August 1786.<sup>456</sup>

1787 – Amherst County, August Court 1787. Thompson & Tease, plaintiffs, vs. **John Norman Kidd**, Deft.} In Debt. **William Kidd** personally appeared in Court and undertook for the defendant (to be his appearance bail)...the defendant confessed that he cannot deny the plaintiffs' action, but that he is justly indebted to them for the debt in the declaration...Judgment is granted unto the Plaintiffs against the said Defendant for the sum of £14.9, the debt in the declaration, and their costs...But this judgment, the costs excepted, is to be discharged by the payment of £7.4.6 with interest thereon from 1 April 1787 till paid. And the plaintiffs agree to stay execution on this judgment till November next.<sup>457</sup>

Amherst County, August Court 1787. Thompson & Tease, plaintiffs, vs. **William Kidd**, Deft.} In Debt.

**John Norman Kidd** comes into court and offers special appearance bail for the Deft. The defendant confessed that he cannot deny the plaintiffs' action, but that he is justly indebted to them for the debt in the declaration...Judgment is granted unto the Plaintiffs against the said Defendant for the sum of £6.15.4, the debt in the declaration, and their costs...But this judgment, the costs excepted, is to be discharged by the payment of £3.7.8 with interest thereon from 2 April 1787 till paid. And the plaintiffs agree to stay execution on this judgment till November next.<sup>458</sup>

1788 – Amherst County August Court, 1788. **John Norman Kidd**, Plaintiff vs. John Bradshaw, Defendant} Trespass, Assault, and Battery. This case is continued between the parties till the next Term.<sup>459</sup>

1788 – Amherst County August Court 1788. **William Kidd**, plaintiff, vs. John Bradshaw, defendant} On a Replevy Bond. Execution is awarded the plaintiff against the said defendant for the sum of £18.18.2 plus costs. To be discharged (except the costs) by the payment of £8.9.1 with interest on £9.9.1 from 9 February 1788 to the 27<sup>th</sup> day of May 1788 following. Also interest on the aforesaid sum of £8.9.1 from the aforesaid 27 May 1788 till paid.<sup>460</sup> [Note: A replevy bond was a legal motion to secure or protect property a plaintiff claimed to be wrongfully seized.]

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<sup>455</sup> FHL #1888544, Amherst County, Virginia Order Book, November 1784 – April 1787, page 431, abstracted by RK at the Bellevue, WA Family History Center, June 2014.

<sup>456</sup> FHL #1888544, Amherst County, Virginia Order Book, November 1784 – April 1787, page 532, abstracted by RK at the Bellevue, WA Family History Center, June 2014.

<sup>457</sup> FHL #1888554, Amherst County, Virginia Order Book, 1787-1790, page 66.

<sup>458</sup> Ibid.

<sup>459</sup> Ibid, p. 310.

<sup>460</sup> FHL #1888554, Amherst County, Virginia Order Book, 1787-1790, page 302, image 163. Scanned image available from the authors.

- 1790 – **James Kidd** and Lucy Jopling obtained a marriage bond in Albemarle County, Virginia, on 29 December 1790. Bondsman was Michael Thomas, and witness was Cary M. Carter. Lucy gives her own consent. Witnesses were Daniel Jopling and **John Kidd**, who likely is James Kidd's brother John Norman Kidd.<sup>461</sup>
- 1792 – On 13 June 1792, a **John Kidd**, again likely James Kidd's brother, was one of the witnesses to a deed in which Michael Thomas Senr. deeded to his apparent son Michael Thomas Junr., both of Albemarle County, Virginia, a tract of 200 acres on Hog Creek, for 5 shillings. Other witnesses were Joseph Thomas, Jno. Kearsey, Benjamin Harris and Philip Gooch.<sup>462</sup>
- On the same day, a **James Kidd** was one of the witnesses to a deed in which Michael Thomas deeded to his apparent son Joseph Thomas, both of Albemarle County, a tract of 200 acres adjacent to Michael Thomas Junr, for 5 shillings. Other witnesses were Gdn. Crew, Jno. Kearsey, Michael Thomas, Ben Harris and Philip Gooch.<sup>463</sup>
- 1795 – The Amherst County will of **Jno. Norman Kidd**, signed 9 February 1795 and proven 20 July 1795,<sup>464</sup> names his wife Juriah Kidd and his daughters Anny and Ruth Kidd. In it, he named his wife Juriah and "**my brother William Kidd**" his executrix and executor. Witnesses were Tillman Walton, Mary Mills, & Obedience Kidd.<sup>465</sup>
- An Executor's Bond for the estate of John Norman Kidd was filed in 1795 in Amherst County by Juriah Kidd, in the sum of £100; her securities were John Newman and William Wood.
- 1799 – **Jeriah Kidd** was a witness to a 1799 Deed of Trust from Jno. Kesterson of Amherst to Joseph Shelton of Amherst, for debt due to William Turner of Amherst, 90 acres on North fork of Davis Creek, bounded by Lee Harris dec'd, James McAlexander dec'd, Alex McAlexander, and James Tharp. Other witnesses were Edward Thomas Toms and William Lee Harris.<sup>466</sup> [Davis Creek is found in present-day Nelson County.]
- 1803 – The name **Jeriah Kidd** appears on the Amherst County PPTLs in this year only, with 1 white tithe and 3 horses.<sup>467</sup> We do not know the identity of this white tithe in her household.
- 1807 – Anny W. Kidd, daughter of **Jeriah Kidd**, married James McAlexander on 20 April 1807 in Amherst County, VA.<sup>468</sup>
- According to another abstract of this marriage record, **Jeriah Kidd** was listed as a widow when she witnessed this marriage (this abstract also interpreted the bride's name as "Anney

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<sup>461</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Marriages, 1780-1853*, by John Vogt & T. William Kethley, Jr., Iberian Publishing Co., Athens, GA, p. 187.

<sup>462</sup> *Albemarle County, Virginia Deeds, 1791-1793*, edited and published by Ruth and Sam Sparacio, Antient Press, McLean, VA, 1997, p. 50.

<sup>463</sup> *ibid*, pp. 49-50.

<sup>464</sup> Amherst County Will Book 3, pp. 339-340

<sup>465</sup> *The wills of Amherst County, Virginia, 1761-1865*, by Rev. Bailey Fulton Davis, 1985 (reprinted 1998), p. 205.

<sup>466</sup> *The deeds of Amherst County, Virginia, 1761-1807 and Albemarle County, Virginia, 1748-1763*, by Rev. Bailey Fulton Davis, Southern Historical Press, Easley, SC, 1979, p. 343, citing DB H, p. 488.

<sup>467</sup> Amherst County, Virginia PPTLs, 1782-1803, retrieved from FHL #2024457, image 582 of 615, via familysearch.org (unrestricted access).

<sup>468</sup> *Virginia Marriages, 1785-1940*, at <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/1708698>

W. Kidd). The surety witness was W. Kidd.<sup>469</sup> [This may be William Kidd, uncle of the bride.]

1810 – On the census in Nelson County are the following Kidds:<sup>470</sup>

**William Kidd: 4M 16-25, 1 26-44 & 1>44; 1F>44**

**Juriah Kidd: no males; 1F 26-44 and 1>44 [widow of John Norman Kidd]**

John Kidd: 3M<10, 2 10-15, 1 16-25 & 1>44; 1F<10, 1 16-25 & 1 26-44

Joseph Kidd: 1M<10, 1 10-15, & 1 26-44; 4F<10, 1 10-15, & 1 26-44

Pleasant Kidd: 2M<10 & 1 26-44; 3F<10 & 1 16-25.

This is the last reference to Juriah Kidd that we have found.

## SUMMARY

- All three of these men – John Norman, William and James Kidd – are named in their father, John Kidd’s 1785 Albemarle County will.
- John Norman’s given name is unique, leaving little question that he is the eldest son of John Kidd named in that will.
- William and James are both fairly common Kidd given names in early Virginia; that said, this William Kidd appears in close proximity to John Norman Kidd, first in Albemarle, & later in Amherst County; and he is named as John Norman’s brother in his 1795 Amherst County will. Thus, this William Kidd is the most likely candidate to be John Kidd’s second son.
- John Kidd died in Albemarle County in 1785, before his third son, James had reached the age of majority. The James Kidd that appears in close proximity to both William in Amherst County, and later (1809-1830) in close proximity to William Kidd and Juriah Kidd in Nelson County is the most logical candidate to be John Kidd’s youngest son.

## CONCLUSION

**While no record definitively connects these three men, their Albemarle County origins and their records in three counties – Albemarle, Amherst, and Nelson – supports the hypothesis that they were brothers, and the sons of John Kidd and Ruth Farish/Parish of Goochland and Albemarle Counties.**

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<sup>469</sup> *Amberst County, Virginia, Courthouse Mineatures – Marriage Data. Marriage bonds and returns, 1801-1854, and comments by compiler on some data and families*, by Bailey Fulton Davis, Amherst Courthouse, VA, 1985, p. 2K.

<sup>470</sup> Although images of this census state that they are for “Buckingham township, Richmond County, Virginia,” they are almost certainly for Nelson County instead. The pagination on the image is continuous with those of “Buckingham, Nelson County, VA.”